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and in co-operation with the
International Air Transport Association 
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OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Conference is to foster the exchange of information on issues key to the safety of transport of radioactive material by providing an opportunity for representatives from sponsoring international organizations and their Member States and from other co-operating organizations to discuss critical issues relating to the safety of transport of radioactive material by all modes and to formulate recommendations, as appropriate, regarding further international co-operation in this area.

AUDIENCE

The Conference is directed to a broad spectrum of professionals dealing with the safety of transport of radioactive material – including, inter alia, regulators, package designers and manufacturers, consignors, carriers, consignees, radiological protection officers, and emergency responders.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Opening Session

An opening session will establish the Conference Objectives.

Background Briefing Sessions

The background briefing sessions will provide information on the History and status of the IAEA Transport Regulation development, experience in adoption of the IAEA Transport Regulations at the international level, implementation of the IAEA Transport Regulations and other related requirements at the modal level, experience in application of the IAEA Transport Regulations, and a summary of actions (present and future) viewed as necessary on security in transport of radioactive material (including actions at the IAEA).

Explanatory Topical Session

There will be one explanatory session on liability in the transport of radioactive material

Technical Topical Sessions

The technical topical sessions will address the following issues:

- The effectiveness of the IAEA Transport Regulations
- Effectiveness of the Regulatory Process at the Member State level
- Adequacy of Safety Requirements
- Effectiveness of Radiation Protection in Transport
- Packaging and Transport of Nuclear Fuel Cycle Material
- Packaging and Transport of non Nuclear Fuel Cycle radioactive material
- Compliance assurance and Quality assurance
- Emergency Preparedness and Response

Panel Discussion Sessions

There will be three panel discussion sessions with the following topics:

- Identifying areas for potential improvement of regulatory regime
- Assessment of Regulatory Criteria
- Communication with the public and between governments

Poster Sessions

Contributed papers will be displayed during poster sessions

