

**IAEA Forum on
Experience of Possible Relevance to the Creation of a
Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in the Middle East**

Vienna, 21-22 November 2011

PROGRAMME

Monday, 21 November 2011

- 10.00–10.20 Opening addresses:
- Mr Yukiya Amano, Director General, IAEA
 - HE Mr Jan Petersen, Chairperson of the Forum
- 10.20–13.00 **Plenary Session 1:
Experience of NWFZs and regional verification arrangements**
- 10.20–11.10 **Panel 1: Presentations by the representatives of NWFZs**
- *Experience in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America and the Caribbean in making progress towards building cooperation, regional stability and security; arms control and disarmament agreements and identification of the required prerequisites towards this end by reaching common understandings on bilateral and regional issues of security, confidence-building and cooperation, as well as principles governing the establishment of NWFZs and the conceptual framework of NWFZ treaty arrangements.*
 - *The potential relevance of such experience to the case and region of the Middle East.*
- 10.20–10.30 Latin American and the Caribbean NWFZ (Treaty of Tlatelolco) –
Ms Gioconda UBEDA RIVERA, Secretary General, Agency for the
Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean
(OPANAL)
- 10.30–10.40 South Pacific NFZ (Treaty of Rarotonga) – Dr Robert FLOYD, Director
General, Australian Safeguards and Non-Proliferation Office
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)
- 10.40–10.50 Southeast Asia NWFZ (Bangkok Treaty) – HE Mr I Gusti Agung Wesaka
PUJA, Resident Representative of the Republic of Indonesia to the IAEA
*(on behalf of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia in
his capacity of the Chairman of the Commission for the Southeast Asia
NWFZ)*
- 10.50–11.00 African NWFZ (Pelindaba Treaty) – HE Mr Abdul Samad MINTY,
Chairperson of the African Commission on Nuclear Energy (AFCONe),
Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations Office at
Geneva and other international organizations in Switzerland
- 11.00–11.10 Central Asian NWFZ – Mr Ildar SHIGABUTDINOV, Head, UN and
International Organizations Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the
Republic of Uzbekistan

- 11.10–11.30 **Panel 2: Presentations by the representatives of regional verification arrangements**
- *Track record in implementing regional verification arrangements by specifically addressing the practices of Euratom and the Brazil-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials (ABACC) and the potential relevance of such experience to the case and region of the Middle East.*
- 11.10–11.20 EURATOM – Mr Piotr SZYMANSKI, Director, Directorate for Nuclear Safeguards, Directorate General for Energy, European Commission, Luxembourg
- 11.20–11.30 ABACC – Dr Odilon Antonio MARCUZZO do CANTO, Secretary, Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials (ABACC)
- 11.30–13.00 ***Plenary Session 2:***
Discussions by the States of the Middle East region of the potential relevance of the experience of existing NWFZs and regional verification arrangements to the case and region of the Middle East
- 13.00–15.00 Lunch break
- 15.00–18.00 ***Plenary Session 2: (CONTINUED)***
(Subject to duration of discussions under Plenary Session 2 – transition to Plenary Session 3)
- 18.30 Reception hosted by the IAEA Director General, M Building, Ground Floor

Tuesday, 22 November 2011

- 10.00–12.00 ***Plenary Session 3:***
Discussions by the IAEA Member States of the potential relevance of the experience of existing NWFZs and regional verification arrangements to the case and region of the Middle East
- 10.00–10.05 Opening remarks by the Chairperson of the Forum
10.05–12.00 Interventions of the IAEA Member States
- 12.00–13.00 Break
- 13.00–13.30 **Closing of the Forum**
- 13.00–13.20 Presentation of the Chairperson's Summary
13.20–13.25 Concluding remarks by the Director General
13.25–13.30 Concluding remarks by the Chairperson.