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The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) presents its compliments to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and the Permanent Missions of Member States and has the honour to request that they draw the attention of all appropriate Governmental authorities to the forthcoming **Technical Meeting on the Establishment of the International Regulatory Knowledge Network**. The meeting will be held at its Headquarters in Vienna, Austria from **24 to 28 November 2008**. This meeting will be listed in the IAEA's database for meetings on Atomic Energy <http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/Meetings/Announcements.asp?ConfID=34936>) to give it wider publicity.

The main purpose of the meeting is to exchange and share information on good practices and networks existing in the international community and among the regulators; to discuss the possible mechanism and the main elements of the International Regulatory Knowledge Network based on the current existing networks and international practices; and to reach an agreement on a workplan for establishing the network.

The primary objective of developing such a network is to improve international, inter-regional and regional cooperation regarding regulatory aspects of nuclear, radiation, transport and waste safety and nuclear security (hereafter referred to as "safety and security") by pooling, analysing and sharing regulatory information (both existing and new knowledge) and practical experience among the participating regulators in Member States with the goal to improve the effectiveness of regulatory bodies, and coordination and cooperation among different stakeholders, and to eventually ensure and raise the safety and security levels of existing facilities and practices in the world.

The meeting will be held in English only.

Each Member State wishing to contribute to such a network and to share experience and fully utilize the information of the network in future is invited to nominate one or two experts from its regulatory body and/or organizations engaged in activities related to network development and knowledge management in safety and security to participate in this meeting.

It would be appreciated if replies could be received not later than **17 October 2008**.

Owing to budgetary constraints, the IAEA is not in a position to bear the travel and other costs of nominated participants in this meeting. Limited funds may, however, be available to help cover the cost of participants from Member States eligible to receive technical assistance under the technical cooperation programme. Such assistance may be offered, upon specific request, to one participant per country, provided that, in the IAEA's view, this participant will make an important contribution to the meeting. The application for financial support should be made at the time of nominating the participant.

The attached Information Sheet outlines the programme and provides further details of the meeting.

It should be noted that compensation is not payable by the IAEA for any damage to or loss of the expert's personal property. However, for the period of the expert's engagement with the IAEA, including travel between the expert's residence and the duty station, the expert will be covered under the IAEA's insurance policy for permanent total disablement or death resulting from service-incurred accidents or illness up to a maximum of €100 000 for permanent partial disablement resulting from service-incurred accidents or illness up to a maximum of €100 000 and for medical expenses up to a maximum of €20 000 plus €10 000 for supplementary travel and accommodation expenses in case of illness or injury resulting from service-incurred accidents or illness in accordance with the terms of the IAEA's relevant insurance policy.

This insurance coverage only covers accidents and illnesses insofar as they clearly result from attendance at an IAEA meeting. The IAEA recommends that the expert also make arrangements for private insurance on an individual basis.

Requests for further information concerning scientific aspects of the meeting should be addressed to the IAEA's Scientific Secretaries for the meeting,

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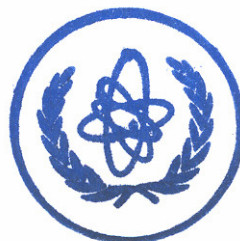
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The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and the Permanent Missions of Member States of the IAEA the assurances of its highest consideration.



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