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The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) presents its compliments to the IAEA's Member States and has the honour to draw their attention to the **Technical Meeting on the Draft IAEA Safety Report on Living and Working in Long-term Contaminated Environments** (hereinafter referred to as "event"), which will now be held virtually from **7 to 11 December 2020** owing to the COVID-19 outbreak.

The purpose of the event is to discuss and provide input based on national experiences to the draft of a proposed new IAEA Safety Report on living and working in long-term contaminated environments.

The event will be held in English.

Member States are informed that designations already received for this event will remain valid. Should Member States not have submitted any designations or wish to change their designation, they are invited to designate one or more participants to represent the Government at this event. Member States are strongly encouraged to identify suitable women participants.

The IAEA takes no responsibility for, and the provider of the virtual meeting services has represented and warranted that the Services shall not contain, and that no end user shall receive from the software used to hold the virtual meeting, any virus, worm, trap door, back door, timer, clock, counter or other limiting routine, instruction or design, or other malicious, illicit or similar unrequested code, including surveillance software or routines which may, or is designed to, permit access by any person, or on its own, to erase, or otherwise harm or modify any data or any system, server, facility or other infrastructure of any end user (collectively, a "Disabling Code").

The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA's Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.



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Participation Form (Form A)



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(Virtual event)
**Technical Meeting on the Draft IAEA Safety
Report on Living and Working in Long-term
Contaminated Environments**

**IAEA Headquarters
Vienna, Austria**

7–11 December 2020

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Information Sheet

Introduction

Many countries throughout the world have areas contaminated with residual radioactive material associated with nuclear or radiological emergencies or past practices not carried out in accordance with current standards (e.g., post-accident situations, legacy sites and areas affected by nuclear weapons testing). This can result in contamination for which remediation strategies are necessary to reduce long term radiation exposure to the population.

Recovery and protection strategies are often complex due to the range of different social, psychological, political and economic considerations that need to be taken into account in managing existing exposure situations in addition to the radiological impact. As a result, practical guidance is needed on the application of the radiological protection principles of justification and optimization of protection and safety to ensure the protection of current and future generations, taking account of prevailing circumstances, including socioeconomic factors.

In their meetings in November 2016, the Radiation Safety Standards Committee (RASSC) and the Waste Safety Standards Committee (WASSC) approved the development of a Safety Report on *Living and Working in Areas Affected by Past Nuclear or Radiological Events and Activities*. The Division of Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety (NSRW) in cooperation with several international experts has been working on drafting this report.

A draft Safety Report being developed documents practical experiences and lessons learned on the establishment and implementation of protection strategies in existing exposure situations to ensure protection of people and the environment, while supporting political, economic and social development of contaminated territories.

Objectives

The purpose of this event is to collect Member States' input for further development of the draft IAEA Safety Report Safety Report on Living and Working in Contaminated Environments.

The specific objectives of the meeting are to:

1. Provide information to Member States on the current content and status of the development of the draft safety report;
2. Address responses to a standardized questionnaire that will be distributed to participants in advance of the Technical Meeting and presentations during the meeting;
3. Collect, discuss and summarize Member States' experiences regarding decisions taken to address environments with long term radiological contamination and the underlying socioeconomic factors considered, as well as the resulting outcomes of such decisions; and
4. Discuss inputs to the Safety Report relevant to the advice for living and working in areas affected by past nuclear or radiological events and activities.

Radiation protection issues are not addressed specifically in the safety report and are therefore outside the scope of the Technical Meeting.

Expected Output

The event is expected to compile structured information from Member States on experiences and case studies describing a range of factors (e.g. social, psychological, political and economic) as input to the draft Safety Report currently under development. Additional outputs will be Member State responses to a structured questionnaire that will be distributed in advance of the Technical Meeting, which will serve as a focus for presentations by Member States and a starting point for discussions.

Target Audience

The meeting is intended for professionals from national authorities, regulatory bodies, technical support organizations, scientific research organisations and NGOs from the Member States with direct involvement in management and responsibilities for analysis of the **long-term economic and societal consequences** of living and working in contaminated environments.

Working Language(s)

English, no interpretation.

Participation and Registration

All persons wishing to participate in the event have to be designated by an IAEA Member State or should be members of organizations that have been invited to attend.

In order to be designated by an IAEA Member State, participants are requested to send the **Participation Form (Form A)** to their competent national authority (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority) for onward transmission to the IAEA by **28 August 2020**. Participants who are members of an organization invited to attend are requested to send the **Participation Form (Form A)** through their organization to the IAEA by above deadline.

Selected participants will be informed in due course on the procedures to be followed with regard to administrative matters.

Please note that the IAEA is in a transition phase to manage the entire registration process for all regular programme events electronically through the new InTouch+ (<https://intouchplus.iaea.org>) facility, which is the improved and expanded successor to the InTouch platform that has been used in recent years for the IAEA's technical cooperation events. Through InTouch+, prospective participants will be able to apply for events and submit all required documents online. National authorities will be able to use InTouch+ to review and approve these applications. Interested parties that would like to use this new facility should write to: InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org.

Expenditures and Grants

No registration fee is charged to participants.

The IAEA is generally not in a position to bear the travel and other costs of participants in the event. The IAEA has, however, limited funds at its disposal to help meet the cost of attendance of certain participants. Upon specific request, such assistance may be offered to normally one participant per country, provided that, in the IAEA's view, the participant will make an important contribution to the event.

The application for financial support should be made using the **Grant Application Form (Form C)** which has to be stamped, signed and submitted by the competent national authority to the IAEA together with the **Participation Form (Form A)** by **28 August 2020**.

Venue

The event will be held at the Vienna International Centre (VIC) where the IAEA's Headquarters are located. Participants must make their own travel and accommodation arrangements.

General information on the VIC and other practical details, such as a list of hotels offering a reduced rate for IAEA participants, are listed on the following IAEA web page:

<http://www-pub.iaea.org/iaeaevents/GeneralInfo/Guide/VIC>.

Participants are advised to arrive at Checkpoint 1/Gate 1 of the VIC one hour before the start of the event on the first day in order to allow for timely registration. Participants will need to present an official photo identification document in order to be admitted to the VIC premises.

Visas

Participants who require a visa to enter Austria should submit the necessary application to the nearest diplomatic or consular representative of Austria at least four weeks before they travel to Austria. Since Austria is a Schengen State, persons requiring a visa will have to apply for a Schengen visa. In States where Austria has no diplomatic mission, visas can be obtained from the consular authority of a Schengen Partner State representing Austria in the country in question.

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Subsequent correspondence on scientific matters should be sent to the Scientific Secretaries and correspondence on other matters related to the event to the Administrative Secretary.



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To be completed by the participant and sent to the competent national authority (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA, or National Atomic Energy Authority) of his/her country for subsequent transmission to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) either by email to: Official.Mail@iaea.org or by fax to: +43 1 26007 (no hard copies needed). Please also send a copy by email to the Scientific Secretary O.German@iaea.org and to the Administrative Secretary A.Gruber@iaea.org.

Participants who are members of an invited organization can submit this form to their organization for subsequent transmission to the IAEA.

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Full address:		
Tel. (Fax):		
Email:		
Nationality:	Representing following Member State/non-Member State/entity or invited organization:	
If/as applicable:		
Do you intend to submit a paper?		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Would you prefer to present your paper as a poster?		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Title:		

Important: Please attach a copy of your passport (or other ID if no passport exists).