Purpose

The objective of this meeting is to review the implementation of the project RAS6087, assess the achievements and results of the project, discuss and agree on follow-up cooperative activities under the RCA framework.

Working Language

The working language of the event will be English.
Deadline for Nominations

Nominations received after 31 October 2021 will not be considered.

Project Background

The overall objective of the project is to improve health care to patients in the region through the application of appropriate, effective, and safe radiation medicine, utilizing competent medical physicists, which is consistent with IAEA requirements and guidelines. There is a critical shortage of medical physicists in the Asia Pacific region, resulting in the compromise of the effectiveness of the radiation medicine.

The project RAS6087 has supported the establishment of structured and supervised clinical training in all specialties of medical physics (diagnostic radiology, nuclear medicine and radiation oncology). The introduction of the Advanced Medical Physics Learning Environment (AMPLE), hosted on the IAEA Learning Management Platform CLP4NET, has been instrumental in supporting the establishment and expansion of clinical training programmes in RCA member states. This e-learning platform is designed to facilitate easier administration of clinical training, presentation of resources and easier communication that will be beneficial for clinical education for medical physicists, particularly by providing remote supervision of residents in developing countries.

Expected Outputs

The expected outputs include:

1. Report of the progress, achievements, challenges and lessons learned of the project;
2. Description of the current status of medical physics in RCA countries, highlighting existing education and training pathways;
3. Identification of further needed support in medical physics;
4. Recommendations for follow up initiatives under existing and future RCA projects; and
5. Final Report document on the achievements of the project

Scope and Nature

The meeting will be a total of three (3) days. The three-day meeting will focus on describing the status and further gaps of the medical physics profession in RCA countries, as well as report on the overall achievements of the regional project. The sustainability of the regional resource network of medical physicists established under the RCA region will be further discussed, including recommendations for the existing and future RCA projects.
Participation

Each Member State may submit up to two nominations (25 participants).

Participants’ Qualification and Experience

Candidates must be medical physicists, either NPCs, A/NPCs or senior members of national project teams who have been involved in the project activities at the national and international levels and able to report the country progress.

Application Procedure

Candidates wishing to apply for this event should follow the steps below:

1. Access the InTouch+ home page (https://intouchplus.iaea.org) using the candidate’s existing Nucleus username and password. If the candidate is not a registered Nucleus user, she/he must create a Nucleus account (https://websso.iaea.org/IM/UserRegistrationPage.aspx) before proceeding with the event application process below.

2. On the InTouch+ platform, the candidate must:
   a. Finalize or update her/his personal details, provide sufficient information to establish the required qualifications regarding education, language skills and work experience (‘Profile’ tab) and upload relevant supporting documents;
   b. Search for the relevant technical cooperation event (EVT2104002) under the ‘My Eligible Events’ tab, answer the mandatory questions and lastly submit the application to the required authority.

NOTE: Completed applications need to be approved by the relevant national authority, i.e. the National Liaison Office, and submitted to the IAEA through the established official channels by the provided designation deadline.

For additional support on how to apply for an event, please refer to the InTouch+ Help page. Any issues or queries related to InTouch+ can be addressed to InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org.

Should online application submission not be possible, candidates may download the nomination form for the training course from the IAEA website.
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