

Final Project Coordination Meeting

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Information Sheet

Purpose

The purpose of this of this event to present the progress made and achievements reached including challenges and lessons learned during the implementation of the project.

Working Language(s)

The working language(s) of the event will be English.

Deadline for Nominations

Nominations received after **27 September 2019** will not be considered.

Project Background

Environmental pollution monitoring is performed by Environmental Agencies. National regulations and European Directives aim at lowering pollution levels and improving air quality. Since there is unequivocal association between concentration of atmospheric particles and human health, European and national regulations are requiring lower PM limit concentrations and, besides the measurement of PM10, the control of new parameters such as PM2.5 and some element concentrations in particles have been enforced. In addition, there is not enough information about the atmospheric aerosol physical and chemical characteristics principally in the Central and Eastern Europe countries. Databases on atmospheric pollutants, namely concentration of particles and their constituents, are needed in order to support air quality management and research work. On the other hand, air pollution is an issue not limited to a location but common to all of Europe. A regional approach is needed to standardize and harmonize analytical procedures to study local and regional pollution. Moreover, due to trans-boundary movement, air pollution is a regional (or even global) problem and requires coordinated efforts and involvement of many countries. Therefore, it is crucial that the analysis and characterization of air pollution, essential for monitoring and regulating of air pollution, is performed in a harmonized and synchronized manner on a regional scale. TC project RER7011 aims at enhancing with high quality data on APM elemental contents the already established information, which will be further utilized in support of better identification and apportionment of major sources of air pollution at regional scale. Specifically, the project aimed at facilitating the identification of source profiles and determining source contributions, whereas the air quality dependence on meteorological conditions was studied in participating Member States.

Expected Outputs

- Results achieved by each Member States presented; National government authorities attending the Workshop are made familiar with the project results;
- Activities planned for the next project cycle;

Scope and Nature

This event is the final coordination meeting of the project to review the results achieved by the countries so far and to enable each member state to present their progress and plan next activities. The meeting will include formal presentations and group discussions.

Participants' Qualifications and Experience

The participants should be: the National Project Coordinator (NPCs) or a member of the National Project Team in the NPC's absence. Each Member State may submit one representative of the National Project Team. In relevant cases (i.e. where results have been produced but relevant government authorities responsible for air quality in the given Member State have not been made familiar with the results) one additional participant from the relevant government authority may be invited. Target institutions are those with a mandate of air quality in the given country, such as environmental agencies or regulatory bodies. The participants should be specialists in air pollution studies, with demonstrated experience in work related to source apportionment and transboundary transport. Participants from government authorities should be from senior levels and actively engaged in air quality programs in their respective country. All participants should be capable of freely expressing themselves in English and following discussions.

Participants

This event is open for up two participants per Member State.

Application Procedure

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

- 1. Access the IAEA TALEO page (https://iaea.taleo.net/careersection/ex/jobsearch.ftl) and complete the Candidate Profile.
- 2. Be registered on the Nucleus page of the IAEA (https://nucleus.iaea.org/).
- 3. Through Nucleus, access the InTouch+ platform where the Profile is completed (My Profile tab) (https://nucleus.iaea.org/Pages/InTouchPlus.aspx).

NOTE: The email used for TALEO and Nucleus must be the same. If not, the candidate's profile will not appear complete.

- 4. On the InTouch + platform, under the 'My InTouch +' tab, the candidate needs to:
 - a. select the institute / organization that he/she works at / represents ('My Institute' section);
 - b. click on the link called 'Refresh Personal History Form' to update the system, otherwise the nominations submitted will have these fields empty and it will not be possible to evaluate them during the selection of candidates ('IAEA Recruitment Platform' section).

NOTE: Once the above steps are finalized, the candidate's profile will appear as completed and he/she can apply for Technical Cooperation events.

5. In the InTouch+ platform (https://intouchplus.iaea.org), in the 'Applications' tab, search by the event number provided in the invitation.

Should this not be possible, applicants may download the Nomination Form for the ME from the IAEA website https://www.iaea.org/services/technical-cooperation-programme/how-to-participate.

Applications should contain sufficient information to establish that the nominees have the required qualifications. Please note that the information regarding LANGUAGE SKILLS, EDUCATION AND WORK EXPERIENCE is exported from TALEO. If an applicant's profile in TALEO is not updated, the information in INTOUCH+ for these sections appears as empty and the candidates cannot be evaluated. Completed applications need to be endorsed by the relevant national authority, i.e. the National Liaison Office and submitted through the established official channels.

Administrative and Financial Arrangements

Nominating authorities will be informed in due course of the names of the candidates who have been selected, and will at that time be informed of the procedure to be followed with regard to administrative and financial matters.

Selected participants will receive an allowance from the IAEA sufficient to cover their costs of lodging, daily subsistence and miscellaneous expenses. They will also receive either a round-trip air ticket based on the most direct and economical route between the airport nearest their residence and the airport nearest the duty station through the IAEA's travel agency American Express, or a travel grant, or they will be reimbursed travel by car/bus/train in accordance with IAEA rules for non-staff travel.

Disclaimer of Liability

The organizers of the event do not accept liability for the payment of any cost or compensation that may arise from damage to or loss of personal property, or from illness, injury, disability or death of a participant while he/she is travelling to and from or attending the course, and it is clearly understood that each Government, in approving his/her participation, undertakes responsibility for such coverage. Governments would be well advised to take out insurance against these risks.

Note for female participants

Any woman engaged by the IAEA for work or training should notify the IAEA on becoming aware that she is pregnant.

The Board of Governors of the IAEA approved new International Basic Safety Standards for Protection against Ionizing Radiation and for the Safety of Radiation Sources. The Standards deal specifically with the occupational exposure conditions of female workers by requiring, inter alia, that a female worker should, on becoming aware that she is pregnant, notify her employer in order that her working conditions may be modified, if necessary. This notification shall not be considered a reason to exclude her from work; however, her working conditions, with respect to occupational exposure shall be adapted with a view to ensuring that her embryo or foetus be afforded the same broad level of protection as required for members of the public.

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