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Subject: Regional Workshop on Developing and Improving National Policy and Strategy, Vienna, Austria, from 20 to 24 January 2025

Dear National Liaison Officer / National Coordinator,

I am pleased to inform you that the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) is organizing the above event under the IAEA technical cooperation project RER9164, "Building Capacity for Radioactive Waste Management".

The purpose of this workshop is to enhance participants' understanding of developing, enhancing, and implementing national policies, strategies, and program frameworks for managing spent fuel and radioactive waste. By bringing together operators, regulators, and international experts, the workshop aims to share the status of national spent fuel and radioactive waste programs and exchange experiences on aligning with international conventions, safety standards, and good practices. The workshop will cover various aspects of spent fuel and radioactive waste management, from generation to disposal, helping participants improve their understanding of options, obligations, and responsibilities to ensure the sustainable, safe, and secure management of their national spent fuel and radioactive waste inventories.

The attached Information Sheet provides further details, including technical and administrative aspects of the event. Selection of participants will be in accordance with IAEA procedures. Member States are strongly encouraged to identify women participants.

The IAEA will provide non-local participants with a round-trip air ticket based on the most direct and economical route between the airport nearest the participant's residence and Vienna or a travel allowance to purchase an air ticket. Travel details will be agreed with the participants upon receipt of their official nomination. Participants will also receive an allowance from the IAEA sufficient to cover their costs of lodging, daily subsistence and miscellaneous expenses for the duration of the event in line with IAEA rules and procedures.

National Liaison Officers /

National Coordinators

We would appreciate receiving your country's nominations by **31 October 2024** through the IAEA's InTouch+ platform (<u>https://Intouchplus.iaea.org</u>). Should this not be possible, applicants may download the Nomination Form for the course from the <u>IAEA's webpage</u>. Completed forms must be endorsed by the relevant government authority and may be sent to the IAEA, preferably by email to Official Mail - IAEA Mail address <u>Official.Mail@iaea.org</u>, with copy to Ms Maria del Pilar Murillo Fuentes <u>M.d.P.Murillo-Fuentes@iaea.org</u>. Please be advised that late nominations or replacements of participants after the closing date for nominations will not be accepted.

We look forward to receiving your early response.

Yours sincerely,

Maria del Pilar Murillo Fuentes Programme Management Officer Division for Europe Department of Technical Cooperation

Enclosure: Information Sheet