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SIDE EVENT
Strengthening the SSAC:
A New Initiative

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Introducing:

COMPASS

IAEA Comprehensive Capacity-Building Initiative for SSACs and SRAs
What: COMPASS

Collaborative and targeted approach to strengthen and sustain support to States
**Definitions**

**SSAC** stands for “State systems of accounting for and control of nuclear material”. It is the set of organizational arrangements at the State level with the objective of accounting for and controlling all nuclear material in the State. The IAEA takes into account the technical effectiveness of the SSAC in its verification activities in the State.

**SRA** stands for “State or regional authority responsible for safeguards implementation”. It exercises regulatory oversight and control functions on nuclear material, facilities, and nuclear-related activities in the country, and acts as the interface with the IAEA on safeguards implementation.
How: COMPASS

Support tailored to the needs of the State

- Training
- Technical Support
- Outreach
- Legal & Regulatory Support
- Human Resources
- More
Why: COMPASS

- Building on IAEA existing support, assistance will be provided to States to strengthen:
  - IAEA and State cooperation
  - National infrastructure for safeguards implementation
  - SSAC/SRA performance and effectiveness
  - State’s national capacity to implement safeguards
Who: COMPASS

Donors
- Financial and other in-kind contributions from Member States and NGOs

IAEA
- IAEA experts from Department of Safeguards and other offices

Participants (phase 1)
- Guatemala
- Malaysia
- Rwanda
- Turkey
- Uzbekistan
- Additional State TBC
When: COMPASS

October

November - December

January

Phase 2
For More Information

www.iaea.org/topics/assistance-for-states/compass

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