

Webinar

The Role of the IAEA in Strengthening Capacity of Women in Nuclear Security Worldwide







Organized by the IAEA Division of Nuclear Security

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Scheduled at: 14:00, Vienna (Austria) Time

Duration 1.5 hours

Information Sheet

Background

The objective of a State's nuclear security regime is to prevent, detect and respond to nuclear security events, and to protect persons, property, society and the environment from the harmful consequences of a nuclear security event. Building the capacity of organizations and people to establish, implement and sustain a nuclear security regime is an essential responsibility of a State.

International cooperation is vital to support States in establishing and maintaining effective nuclear security regimes. The central role of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in facilitating such cooperation and providing assistance to States is well recognized. The IAEA's role reflects its broad membership, its mandate, its unique expertise and its long experience of providing technical assistance and practical guidance to States.

The IAEA is committed to gender equality and to supporting the ability of all individuals, regardless of gender, to equally contribute to and benefit from its programmes and activities. The Agency therefore encourages women to bring their expertise, experiences and knowledge to the field of nuclear security regarding establishing, implementing, maintaining and sustaining national nuclear security regimes. Furthermore, the IAEA strives towards equal representation of women at its events and meetings, and to this end, encourages Members States to nominate Women to participate in its activities, including international conferences, education and training activities, the activities of the International Nuclear Security Education Network (INSEN), the Nuclear Security Support Centre (NSSC) Network and the Nuclear Security Guidance Committee.

In March 2021, the IAEA Division of Nuclear Security launched the Women in Nuclear Security Initiative (WINSI) to promote and strengthen the involvement of women in nuclear security worldwide as well as to enhance the awareness about nuclear security jobs and careers for women, especially for the young professionals. This initiative is established as an interest group under the umbrella of the global chapter of the Women in Nuclear network (WiN Global). The initiative will carry out activities to highlight experiences, achievements and challenges of women in nuclear security, and raise awareness about the Agency's programme in nuclear security, as well as the Agency's initiatives on gender equality.

This webinar is the first activity in the framework of this initiative.

Objectives

The objectives of the webinar are:

- To inaugurate the establishment of WINSI as an interest group of WiN Global
- To provide an overview of the IAEA's programme of assistance in the area of capacity building in nuclear security;
- To inspire webinar attendees to undertake their own gender equality initiatives by introducing the IAEA's commitment to gender equality and recent activities;
- To share the professional journeys of women in nuclear security;
- To highlight challenges women in nuclear security face and discuss ideas on how to overcome them;
- To discuss career opportunities for women in nuclear security.

Target Audience

The primary audience of the webinar are officials and nuclear security professionals in Member States, from competent authorities, such as regulatory bodies, customs and border control agencies, operators, technical support organizations, academics, and other organizations involved in the national nuclear security regime. The webinar is also targeting Women in Nuclear Global, Regional and National Chapters. Young professionals and students in nuclear field are most welcome.

Working Language

English

Registration

Please register for the webinar using this link not later than 26 May at 11:00 am Vienna time.

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Webinar Programme

| 14:00 – 14:10 | Opening Remarks Ms. Elena Buglova, Director, Division of Nuclear Security, IAEA |
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| 14:10 – 14:20 | Inauguration of a new Interest Group in WiN Global: Women in Nuclear Security Initiative (WINSI) Ms. Dominique Mouillot, WiN Global President |
| 14:20 – 14:25 | Introduction and moderation Ms. Sarah Henry Bolt, Division of Nuclear Security, IAEA |
| 14:25 – 14:35 | IAEA Programme in Capacity Building in Nuclear Security Ms. Oum Keltoum Hakam, Division of Nuclear Security, IAEA |
| 14:35 – 14:45 | Regulator perspective Ms. Fitriah Bakri, Nuclear and Radiological Regulatory Commission Kingdom of Saudi Arabia |
| 14:45 – 14:55 | Law enforcement perspective Ms. Constanza Bucarey, Department of Illicit Trafficking Control, Chile |
| 14:55 – 15:05 | Young generation perspective Ms. Adeola Muse, Nigerian Nuclear Regulatory Authority, Nigeria |
| 15:05 - 15:30 | Discussion |
| 15:30 | Closing |