



## Exhibition Opportunities

The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) is organizing an International Conference on Nuclear Decommissioning in Vienna, Austria from 15 to 19 May 2023. Approximately 400 to 500 participants from IAEA Member States and invited international organizations are expected to attend this event. These are expected to include policy makers, regulators, implementers, technical support organizations, waste management organizations, organizations which represent local community interests, industry representatives, research and academic institutions and international organizations with an interest in decommissioning the decommissioning of radiological and nuclear facilities.

The purpose of the event is to discuss achievements, challenges and lessons learned in the decommissioning of nuclear facilities, highlighting current priority needs and sharing information on strategies and approaches that enhance safe, secure and cost-effective implementation of programmes. The event will aim to raise awareness of the importance of addressing decommissioning as part of a sustainable future, supporting optimal use of the resources needed for implementation, enabling further development of sites, and providing relevant knowledge and inputs for new facilities under design or construction. Additional information may be found on the conference website: <https://www.iaea.org/events/decom2023>

The conference will include an exhibition, at which a limited amount of space will be available for commercial vendors' displays/exhibits. Exhibits on the theme of innovation in decommissioning, particularly in the fields of digitalization, artificial intelligence and robotics, are particularly welcome.

Companies and organizations wishing to take advantage of this opportunity to exhibit will be provided with, free of charge, an exhibition space of 6m<sup>2</sup> (3x2m) including one table (80x160cm) and 2 chairs. Alternatively, professional booths with walls can be rented from an outside company. Kindly note that exhibitors that wish to be registered as participants, should follow the participation procedures described on the conference website (see above).

Exhibiting organizations are **encouraged to make a voluntary contribution to the IAEA in support of the event**. The contribution would be utilized to financially support scientists from developing countries to attend the event or other costs directly related to the organization of the event. With the organization's permission, an acknowledgement of the voluntary contribution will be made on the event website, the IAEA Meetings and Conferences Mobile Application, and other information sources promoting the event. Please be informed that to demonstrate its commitment to sustainability, the IAEA will organise this event as a green meeting according in accordance with the relevant Ecolabel guidelines currently applicable in Austria - further details are provided below.

In view of space limitations and to allow for timely preparation, all expressions of interest and pledges of financial support should be received as soon as possible, **but no later than 31 October 2022**. Interested parties should contact the Scientific Secretariat via the Conference email address: [Decom2023@iaea.org](mailto:Decom2023@iaea.org)

## **Sustainability Considerations**

IAEA intends to keep the ecological impact of this event as low as possible. Accordingly, the event will be organized as a green meeting according to the guidelines of the Austrian Ecolabel – [https://www.umweltzeichen.at/site/assets/files/1122/kurzinfo\\_green\\_meetings\\_englisch-1.pdf](https://www.umweltzeichen.at/site/assets/files/1122/kurzinfo_green_meetings_englisch-1.pdf). In line with this commitment, there will be a focus on the areas of paper smart documentation, waste reduction and recycling, and environmentally friendly catering.

Exhibitors are encouraged to choose environmentally friendly options when planning their participation such as avoidance of mass distribution of flyers or other printed materials, hand out printed materials only upon request, or give preference to electronic information transfer (e.g. indication of links for download, etc.). If giveaways cannot be avoided, products made of durable and/or reusable environmentally sound materials (domestic wood, natural fibres) without synthetic individual packaging, without batteries, from fair trade, or with certified quality seals are preferred.

Further details on logistical arrangements and on the sustainability requirements of the Austrian Ecolabel certification will be shared with confirmed exhibitors at a later stage.