Budget and funding

Funding requirements per visiting professional programme range between EUR 200,000 and EUR 300,000, depending on the size of the cohort, duration of the visit, accompanying experts and direct management costs.

The LMP is envisaged as a long term initiative funded exclusively by extrabudgetary and in-kind contributions. Host countries are expected to provide facilities and experts on an in-kind basis, while the costs of the participants are covered either by the host organizations or other donors’ contributions.

The LMP seeks extrabudgetary funding from Member States, foundations, associations, the private sector and other partner institutions. If you are interested in partnering with the LMP please contact LMP@iaea.org.

All partners of the programme are encouraged to use their own communication channels to promote the programme.
IAEA Lise Meitner Programme

The IAEA Lise Meitner Programme (LMP) provides early and mid-career women with opportunities to advance in the nuclear field through participation in a multi-week visiting professional programme.

Named after Austrian-Swedish physicist Lise Meitner, the LMP enables participants to expand their vision and experience, enhance their skillset, build long-lasting professional relationships, and create a cross-cultural global community of women professionals in the nuclear sector, particularly the energy field. The programme was launched in March 2023 by IAEA Director General Rafael Mariano Grossi.

Objectives

The LMP aims to increase opportunities for women to develop and sustain their careers in the nuclear sector and to participate and contribute at managerial and leadership levels, including as role models for future generations. Participants take part in activities aimed at developing both their technical and soft skills.

Programme details

Selected participants visit nuclear facilities in IAEA Member States, including facilities under construction, operation or decommissioning, research centres, scientific institutions, laboratories, the industrial sector and companies.

The programme includes on-site lectures, discussions, and training in project development and implementation, laboratory analysis, testing and measurements, as well as in modelling and simulations using advanced computer codes or simulators.

Participants meet with a wide range of leaders and experts, and take part in technical, leadership and management activities.

The visiting professional programme typically lasts between two and four weeks (possibly longer in some host countries), with 10 to 15 visiting professionals in each cohort.

The LMP is open to qualified professionals who meet the following criteria:

• Women candidates from IAEA Member States.

• Currently employed with at least 3 years (maximum up to 10) of relevant work experience in the nuclear field. PhD students in their final year of studies in the nuclear field, with prior relevant working experience, may be considered for participation.

• Completed relevant bachelor’s, master’s or PhD studies.