



Technical Meeting on the Revision of Top Tier Nuclear Security Series Publications

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Information Sheet

Introduction

Discussion on the need to review top tier publications in the Nuclear Security Series — the Fundamentals (NSS No. 20) and the Recommendations (NSS Nos. 13, 14, and 15) — was initiated during the second term of the Nuclear Security Guidance Committee (NSGC). Given that the Recommendations were published in 2011 and the Fundamentals in 2013, it was considered an appropriate time to assess whether updates were needed. In 2019, a review process for the Recommendations was initiated to determine if revisions were necessary. The Fundamentals (NSS No. 20) were also reviewed as part of this process. Various activities, such as consultancy meetings, open-ended meetings of legal and technical experts, and surveys, were conducted to solicit Member States' opinions on the necessity and scope of the revisions. The review concluded that a limited-scope revision is needed, with a particular focus on improving the clarity and consistency of the text, terms, and definitions used in the publications. To ensure a coordinated approach, the revisions of the Fundamentals and the Recommendations will be conducted concurrently. This will ensure that any changes made to one publication are considered across all top-tier NSS publications.

Objectives

The objective of the meeting is to (a) review and discuss, with Member States and relevant international organizations, the draft revisions of top tier Nuclear Security Series (NSS) publications: NSS No. 20, Objective and Essential Elements of a State's Nuclear Security Regime; NSS No. 13, Nuclear Security

Recommendations on Physical Protection of Nuclear Material and Nuclear Facilities (INFCIRC/225/Revision 5); NSS No. 14, Nuclear Security Recommendations on Radioactive Material and Associated Facilities; and NSS No. 15, Nuclear Security Recommendations on Nuclear and Other Radioactive Material out of Regulatory Control; and (b) identify areas where the drafts require more coordination and improvement.

Target Audience

All IAEA Member States and relevant international organizations are invited to participate in the meeting. The event primarily targets national policymakers, representatives from legislative bodies, competent authorities, institutions, as well as individuals and technical experts involved in the development, establishment, implementation, or maintenance of a national nuclear security regime. This includes those drafting regulations for the security of nuclear and other radioactive material, whether under or out of regulatory control, and their associated facilities and activities.

Working Language(s)

English

Participation and Registration

All persons wishing to participate in the event have to be designated by an IAEA Member State or should be members of organizations that have been invited to attend.

In order to be designated by an IAEA Member State or invited organization, participants are requested to submit their application via the InTouch+ platform (<https://intouchplus.iaea.org>) to the competent national authority (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority) or organization for onward transmission to the IAEA by **16 June 2025**, following the registration procedure in InTouch+:

1. Access the InTouch+ platform (<https://intouchplus.iaea.org>):
 - Persons with an existing NUCLEUS account can sign in to the platform with their username and password;
 - Persons without an existing NUCLEUS account can register [here](#).
2. Once signed in, prospective participants can use the InTouch+ platform to:
 - Complete or update their personal details under ‘Complete Profile’ and upload the relevant supporting documents;
 - Search for the relevant event under the ‘My Eligible Events’ tab;
 - Select the Member State or invited organization they want to represent from the drop-down menu entitled ‘Designating Authority’ (if an invited organization is not listed, please contact InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org);
 - If applicable, indicate whether financial support is requested and complete the relevant information (this is not applicable to participants from invited organizations);

- Based on the data input, the InTouch+ platform will automatically generate the Participation Form (Form A) and/or the Grant Application Form (Form C);
- Submit their application.

Once submitted through the InTouch+ platform, the application, together with the auto-generated form(s), will be transmitted automatically to the required authority for approval. If approved, the application, together with the applicable form(s), will automatically be sent to the IAEA through the online platform.

NOTE: The application for financial support should be made, together with the submission of the application, by **16 June 2025**.

For additional information on how to apply for an event, please refer to the [InTouch+ Help](#) page. Any other issues or queries related to InTouch+ can be sent to InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org.

Selected participants will be informed in due course on the procedures to be followed with regard to administrative and financial matters.

Participants are hereby informed that the personal data they submit will be processed in line with the [Agency's Personal Data and Privacy Policy](#) and is collected solely for the purpose(s) of reviewing and assessing the application and to complete logistical arrangements where required. The IAEA may also use the contact details of Applicants to inform them of the IAEA's scientific and technical publications, or the latest employment opportunities and current open vacancies at the IAEA. These secondary purposes are consistent with the IAEA's mandate. Further information can be found in the [Data Processing Notice](#) concerning IAEA InTouch+ platform.

Expenditures and Grants

No registration fee is charged to participants.

The IAEA is generally not in a position to bear the travel and other costs of participants in the event. The IAEA has, however, limited funds at its disposal to help meet the cost of attendance of certain participants. Upon specific request, such assistance may be offered to normally one participant per country, provided that, in the IAEA's view, the participant will make an important contribution to the event.

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Venue

The event will be held at the Vienna International Centre (VIC) where the IAEA's Headquarters are located. Participants must make their own travel and accommodation arrangements.

General information on the VIC and other practical details, such as a list of hotels offering a reduced rate for IAEA participants, are listed on the following IAEA web page:
<https://www.iaea.org/events>.

Participants are advised to arrive at Checkpoint 1/Gate 1 of the VIC one hour before the start of the event on the first day in order to allow for timely registration. Participants will need to present an official photo identification document in order to be admitted to the VIC premises.

Visas

Participants who require a visa to enter Austria should submit the necessary application to the nearest diplomatic or consular representative of Austria at least four weeks before they travel to Austria. Since Austria is a Schengen State, persons requiring a visa will have to apply for a Schengen visa. In States where Austria has no diplomatic mission, visas can be obtained from the consular authority of a Schengen Partner State representing Austria in the country in question.

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Subsequent correspondence on scientific matters should be sent to the Scientific Secretary and correspondence on other matters related to the event to the Administrative Secretary.