



**INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY
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PROJECT RER/0/023

**Strategic Planning for Management, Self-reliance, and Sustainability of
National Nuclear Institutions**

PROSPECTUS

FOR A

REGIONAL TRAINING COURSE ON

**INNOVATION, TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND SUCCESSFUL
TECHNOLOGY LICENSING (STL) IN RESEARCH AND
DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTIONS**

**Vienna, Austria
20-24 October 2008**

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- Title:** Regional Training course on Innovation, Technology Transfer And Successful Technology Licensing (STL) in Research & Development (R&D) Institutions
- Place:** Vienna, Austria, VIC room M-0E4
- Date:** 20 to 24 October 2008
- Deadline for nominations:** **1 September 2008**
- Organizers:** The International Atomic Energy Agency and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
- Language:** English
- Participation:** The training course is open to a maximum of two participants per country from the IAEA Member States in the Europe region. Target countries are highly encouraged to sponsor at least one participant and indicate so on the nomination form (cost-free participant).
- In addition the course is also open to interested participants from companies and private sector executives that are in the technology commercialization business, provided they receive official national endorsement and participate on a cost free basis.
- Target countries:** Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Montenegro, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Turkey, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.
- Observers** Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Spain, United Kingdom. (cost free participants)
- Course objectives:** The main purpose of the training course is to introduce the issue of intellectual property as a means for innovation promotion and successful technology transfer of the research results from R&D institutions to the private sector. The course will:
- Offer basic knowledge on **intellectual property** and its role in innovation promotion and technology transfer;
 - Explain the concept of **open innovation**;
 - Provide information and practical training on legal and organizational infrastructure for efficient **transfer of technology** in the context of R&D institution – institutional policies and concrete steps for the establishment of technology transfer office,
 - Explain what **licensing** is, what the key terms of a licensing agreement are, and how to use licensing as a mean for technology transfer.
 - Give an opportunity to the participants to apply the knowledge acquired during the course through intellectual property institutional policy exercises and simulation of licensing negotiation,
 - Enhance networking among participants and potential actors in the technology transfer process - policy makers, scientists, business people and lawyers.

The course will be conducted as an interactive activity between the lecturers and the participants. Training materials, including WIPO Successful Technology

Licensing (STL) Manual, exercises and case studies relevant to the participants' profiles, and references for further reading will be provided (in English) by WIPO.

Qualifications: The participants of the training course should be researchers or technology managers of the technology transfer/commercial department of the Research and Development Institutes, preferably involved in nuclear research. In addition, policy makers from the relevant Ministries or Science Innovation Fund may be nominated.

As the training course will be conducted in English, participants should have sufficient proficiency to follow lectures and express themselves in this language without difficulty.

Lecturers: The course is organized in cooperation by the IAEA and WIPO. WIPO will develop the course programme and recruit all the lecturers. WIPO is the United Nation's specialized agency dealing with the issue of intellectual property (IP), including norm setting and administration of IP international treaties, such as the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), providing legal and technical assistance for its Member States in the areas of protection, enforcement and strategic use of IP. WIPO promotes better understanding of intellectual property as a tool for economic growth and offers capacity building training programs for policy makers and IP users in the Member States. Lecturers are professionals in the field of IP, transfer of technology and licensing, with different profiles ranging from patent attorneys, to technology managers and business executives.

Background of the project: The regional project RER/0/023 started in 2004 to support Research and Development Institutes (RDIs) working in nuclear applications in Central and Eastern Europe. The project objectives are: (i) **map the status** of nuclear research institutes in Central and Eastern Europe, since currently there is no statistical database, (ii) assist institute managers and senior scientists in nuclear RDIs by improving their **management practices** to ensure sustainability; and (iii) help nuclear RDIs get access to **funding opportunities** nationally and internationally. Several institutes expressed their interest in learning about technology transfer, licensing, patenting and good practices in commercialization and protection of intellectual property rights. In response to the request, the course has been organized, in cooperation with WIPO that is the leading agency in field of intellectual property rights within the UN family.

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Application procedure: Nominations should be submitted on the standard IAEA application form for training courses. Completed forms should be endorsed by and returned through the established official channels (the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the National Atomic Energy Authority or the office of the United Nations Development Programme). They must be received by the International Atomic Energy Agency, P.O. Box 100, A-1400, Vienna, not later than **1 September 2008**. Nominations received after that date or applications which have not been routed through one of the aforementioned channels cannot be considered.

Advance nominations by facsimile (+43-1-2600 7 22331) or e-mail (Official.Mail@iaea.org) are welcomed.

**Administrative
and financial
arrangements:**

Nominating Governments will be informed in due course of the names of the selected candidates and will at that time be given full details on the procedures to be followed with regard to administrative and financial matters.

During their attendance at the course, participants from countries eligible to receive technical assistance will be provided by the IAEA with a stipend sufficient to cover the cost of their accommodation, food, and minor incidental expenses. The IAEA will also provide the participants with a round-trip air ticket, economy/excursion class, from their home countries to **Vienna, Austria** and return. Shipment of accumulated course materials to the participants' home countries is not the responsibility of the IAEA.

The organizers of the course do not accept liability for the payment of any cost or compensation that may arise from damage to or loss of personal property, or from illness, injury, disability or death of a participant while he/she is travelling to and from or attending the course, and it is clearly understood that each Government, in nominating participants, undertakes responsibility for such coverage. Governments would be well advised to take out insurance against these risks.