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The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) presents its compliments to the IAEA's Member States and has the honour to draw their attention to the **Ninth Meeting of the Representatives of Competent Authorities** identified under the Convention on Early Notification of a Nuclear Accident (the "Early Notification Convention") and the Convention on Assistance in the Case of a Nuclear Accident or Radiological Emergency (the "Assistance Convention") to be held at the IAEA's Headquarters in Vienna, Austria, from **18 to 22 June 2018**. Invitations for participation are sent to all States and all relevant intergovernmental organizations.

The purpose of the meeting is to share information on national emergency preparedness and response (EPR) arrangements and challenges; discuss the implementation of the Early Notification Convention, the Assistance Convention and the safety requirements dealing with notification and information exchange, the provision of international assistance (in particular, in education and training on EPR), and communication with the public, contained in the IAEA safety standards; familiarize participants with the latest EPR documents and tools; discuss the arrangements and challenges involved in the IAEA's assessment and prognosis process; exchange information on the international cooperation in EPR; and learn from past emergencies and exercises.

The attached Information Sheet provides further details of the meeting. A provisional meeting agenda will be provided to all participants in due course.

The meeting will be held in English.

Member States are invited to designate one or more participants for this meeting. Member States are strongly encouraged to identify suitable women participants.

The IAEA is generally not in a position to bear the travel and other costs of participants in the meeting. The IAEA has, however, limited funds at its disposal to help meet the cost of attendance of certain participants. Such assistance may be offered upon specific request to normally one participant per country provided that, in the IAEA's view, the participant on whose behalf assistance is requested will make an important contribution to the meeting as well as to his or her State's EPR arrangements. The application for financial support should be made at the time of designating the participant.

It should be noted that compensation is not payable by the IAEA for any damage to or loss of personal property. The IAEA also does not provide health insurance coverage for participants in meetings, workshops or training courses or for consultants. Arrangements for private insurance coverage on an individual basis should therefore be made. The IAEA will, however, provide insurance coverage for accidents and illnesses that clearly result from any work performed for the IAEA.

Designations should be submitted through the established official channels not later than **16 March 2018** for the attention of the Scientific Secretary of the meeting, Ms Elena Buglova, Incident and Emergency Centre, Department of Nuclear Safety and Security, IAEA, Vienna International Centre, PO Box 100, 1400 Vienna, Austria (Email: CAM2018@iaea.org). The full names and contact details (including postal address and email address) of designated participants should be provided.

The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to assure the IAEA's Member States of its highest consideration.



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Enclosures: Information Sheet
Participation Form