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Training Course for Using the Results of the International Generic Ageing Lessons Learned Programme

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Information Sheet

Introduction

More than two-thirds of the world's operational nuclear power plants (NPPs) are over 30 years old and almost half are over 40 years old. It is increasingly recognized that there are economic and environmental benefits in continuing to operate these plants beyond their originally planned lifetimes. This brings an increased interest in, and need for, experience exchange and sharing for ageing management of structures, systems and components of NPPs to ensure that they are capable of fulfilling their safety functions.

The IAEA supports Member States in implementation of ageing management through the publication of related safety standards, providing safety review services to assist in the application of these standards and facilitating information exchange through the coordination of the International Generic Ageing Lessons Learned (IGALL) extrabudgetary programme.

The IGALL programme has been running since 2010 with the objective to develop and maintain a general framework for effectively collecting experience and lessons learned on NPP ageing management. The programme facilitates the exchange of experience accumulated in Member States regarding the identification, establishment, implementation and improvement of ageing management of NPPs. The programme is run in two-year phases and is currently in Phase 8.

At the end of IGALL Phase 6, the Steering Committee of the IGALL programme requested the IAEA to develop and organize IGALL training courses on how to use IGALL results by the Member States in the development, implementation and revision of ageing management programmes and time limited ageing analyses of specific structures, systems and components.

The first training course was held on 11-14 February 2025 and was well received. The second training course will be held on 23-26 February 2027.

The training will cover:

- The relevant IAEA Safety Standards;
- General aspects of ageing and ageing management;
- Use of IGALL programme documents with examples;
- Transfer of experience from experts using IGALL in their practice;
- Exercises on using the IGALL results; and
- The use of the newly developed IGALL Database.

Objectives

The objectives of the event are to inform and train nuclear professionals on the use of IGALL results and documents and to extend their knowledge of ageing and ageing management.

Target Audience

This event is intended for ageing management experts from NPPs, technical support organizations or nuclear safety authorities of the Member States. The event is not intended for current members of the IGALL programme.

Working Language(s)

English.

Expected Outcomes

The participants in the training are expected to develop a basic understanding of the IGALL programme and how to use the best practices captured in the IGALL results and documents to inform ageing management in their Member States. Participants will be able to navigate the IGALL database, including finding relevant ageing management programmes (AMPs), time limited ageing analyses (TLAAs) and ageing management review (AMR) table results.

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 **15 December 2026**, 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 a paper is being submitted and complete the relevant information;
   - 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 **15 December 2026**.

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:

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.

Event Web Page

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