

INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

Technical Meeting: Learning from the Experiences of Local Communities on Stakeholder Involvement in Radioactive Waste Management Programmes

12 – 16 November 2018
Room M3, Vienna International Centre
(MOE10 will also be available for a small group discussion)

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As Member States develop their radioactive waste management (RWM) programmes, engagement at the local level is a key component in enabling sustainable progress of RWM programmes. There is growing recognition that local communities have an essential role to play in both decision-making processes related to RWM programmes and programme implementation. Whilst various benefits and the necessity of stakeholder involvement at the local level are widely recognized, implementation can still be enhanced and expanded.

An effective approach to local stakeholder involvement encompasses more than applying rules and guidelines. Each group of local stakeholders has its own interests and influential power; local circumstances may differ across local communities within a Member State; and across Member States, there is diversity of national circumstances. Thus, a tailor-made approach may well be justified and required. At the same time, there are some general lessons learned which can be useful for the design and implementation of RWM programmes. An exchange of international insights on the perceptions, needs, expectations and experience of a variety of local stakeholders can aid in understanding how implementation works in practice, and serve as a resource to Member States as they design their respective plans for local stakeholder involvement.

It is from this perspective that the IAEA is developing a new document (TECDOC) which will share insights on the experience of local stakeholders involved in RWM programmes. All attendees at the Technical Meeting are encouraged to contribute their experiences and insights through participating actively in discussions. Such contributions will enrich the development of the TECDOC. This Technical Meeting is to gather further input on experiences of local stakeholders and this input will be added to the TECDOC.

Day 1: Monday, 12 November 2018

11:00 – 12:30 Introduction

- Welcome and Opening remarks (IAEA)
- Participants introduction (name, affiliation and country)
- Presentation on project overview (IAEA)
- Review and adoption of the agenda (IAEA)

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

Start of topical sessions

Topical sessions comprise invited speakers – representatives from different countries. Each representative will be provided 15 minutes to share experiences.

Time will be provided for round table discussion, in which speakers will be asked to answer specific questions to be gathered from the participants.

All Technical Meeting attendees will be encouraged to share their own experiences on relevant topics during round table discussion.

A rapporteur will be assigned to each topical session and be responsible for summarising key points in slides for Day 5.

14:00-15:30 Topical session 1: Evolution of important issues (maximum 3) from the local point of view

Speakers are invited to identify and discuss the different issues (maximum 3 per country) which have been key to its local community involvement since they started in the RWM process and how key issues may have evolved or changed over time as the project advances.

Facilitator: Ms Martell

Rapporteur: Mr Philip Matthews [tbc]

Mr Robert Thompson	Mayor of Richland	USA
Ms. Jae Youn Lee	KORAD	Korea
Mr Gerben Dijksterhuis Mr Jan Boelen	Mayor of Borsele COVRA	Netherlands
Mr Csaba Dohoczki	Paks Nuclear Power Plant	Hungary
Dr Md. Shakilur Rahman	Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission	Bangladesh

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00- 17:00 (cont. Topical session 1: Evolution of important issues from the local point of view)

Day 2: Tuesday, 13 November 2018

GMF: Group of European Municipalities with Nuclear Facilities

GMF-ENWD: European Local Network of Radioactive Waste Dialogue under GMF umbrella

11:00 – 12:30

- Welcoming GMF members and introduction (IAEA and GMF members)
- Brief review of the previous day (Rapporteur: Mr Philip Matthews)
- **GMF/ENWD presentation on the association and the key issues of relevance regarding local stakeholder involvement in radioactive waste management**
Ms Anna-Lena Söderblohm, Vice-President of GMF
- **IAEA resources for information and engagement opportunities for communities interested in RWM fundamentals and international good practices**
Mr Stefan Mayer, Waste Technology Section, NEFW, IAEA
- **Presentation on public perception on radioactive waste issues from social psychology point of view**
Dr Britt-Marie Drottz Sjøberg, Professor for Norwegian University of Science and Technology

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Topical session 2: Managing local dialogues over long time frames

This session focuses on the challenges of participating in radioactive waste management projects which typically span over years. Speakers are invited to share their experiences and effective practices for local stakeholder involvement, including consideration of the following three issues:

- Sustaining local interest and dialogue in the RWM project
- Maintaining local involvement and acceptance to enable the RWM project and decision-making to advance over time
- Maintaining knowledge, capacity and workforce required for RWM

Facilitator: Ms Shaver

Rapporteur: Mr James Frederick Kuntz

Mr Jacob Spangerberg	Mayor of Osthammar	Sweden
Mr Herman Sannen	Dessel municipality/STORA	Belgium
Mr Benoit Jaquet	Bure CLI	France
Ms Anne-Laure Maclot	Cattenom CLI	
Ms Teresa Duran	Hornachuelos Council town	Spain
Mr James Merrell Matear	NWMO	Canada

15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00- 17:00 (cont. Topical session 2: Managing local dialogues over long time frames)

17:00 **Networking Hospitality event**
[details to be announced]

Day 3: Wednesday 14 November 2018

9:00 – 9:40

Brief review of previous day (Rapporteur: Mr James Frederick Kuntz)

NEA Forum for Stakeholder Confidence (FSC) presentation on issues associated with local level involvement, drawing from national workshops led by the FSC
Ms Lucie Steinerova, Member of the FSC-Bureau

9:40 – 10:00 **Review of topics covered in the draft TECDOC to date**
Presentation of overview of draft document (Ms Martell and Ms Shaver)

10:00 – 10:30 *Coffee break*

10:30 – 12:00 **Topical session 3: Additional topics of interest from the local communities**

This session provides an opportunity for all Technical Meeting participants to explore with local representatives other relevant issues regarding stakeholder involvement in the interested / hosting community. For this discussion, meeting participants will break out into smaller groups.

Groups are invited to identify issues that they feel are important. Examples of areas that groups may wish to explore in the break-out groups include:

- Interaction with national governments
- Key local issues in a siting process
- Effective communication and dialogues approaches for engaging a broad cross-section of the community
- Learning opportunities and capacity building

Break-out groups

- Group 1 Facilitator: Ms Martell; Rapporteur: Mr Philip Matthews
- Group 2 Facilitator: Ms Shaver; Rapporteur: Mr Roy Payne

12:00 – 13:30 *Lunch*

13:30 – 15:00 Report out from break-out groups and discussion in plenary
Facilitator: Ms Martell and Ms Shaver
Rapporteurs: Mr Matthews and Mr Payne

15:00 – Coffee networking session
(Coffer and light snacks will be served at the corridor.)

Day 4: Thursday 15 November 2018

9:00 – 10:30

Brief review of previous day (Rapporteurs: Mr Matthews and Mr Payne)

Topical session 4: Broadening dialogue

The implementation of RWM projects typically involves a gradual broadening of the discussion of the project beyond the immediate host or interested/potential host community area, to communities in the broader geographical area. This topical session focuses on the different communication, involvement and capacity building activities which take place beyond the host or interested/potential host community.

Discussion is invited to address, for example:

- Experience with expanding the discussion beyond the host or interested / potential host community, such as when and how this discussion gets expanded to other communities
- Examples of learning and capacity building in the broader area regarding the RWM project

Facilitator: Ms Shaver

Rapporteur: Mr James Frederick Kuntz

Mr Liviu-Cristian Negoita	Mayor of Cernavoda	Romania
Mr David Moore	Councillor of Copeland Borough Council	UK
Mr Olivier Moser	NAGRA	Switzerland
Mr Grzegorz Bunda	Ministry of Energy	Poland
Ms Dagmar Dehmer	BGE	Germany

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00 – 12:00 (cont. topical session 4: Broadening the dialogue)

12:00 – 13:30 *Lunch break*

13:30 – 15:00 **Topical session 5: Local stakeholder involvement in other parts of the nuclear life cycle**

For those involved in planning and delivering effective local stakeholder involvement in radioactive waste management projects, it is instructive to consider the experiences

and insights on local stakeholder involvement gained in other parts of the nuclear fuel cycle. For example, there may be good examples of local stakeholder involvement gained in the planning of new nuclear power plants, the operation of nuclear power plants or decommissioning. Participants are invited to share their insights that may be helpful to those engaging at the community level in RWM.

Facilitator: Ms Martell
 Rapporteur: Mr Roy Payne

Mr Kazuharu Kawase	Former Mayor of Tsuruga	Japan
Mr Doug Bamsey	Sedgemoor District Council	UK
Mr Satyajit Patra	Narora Atomic Power Station	India
Ms Johanna Huhtala (tbc)	Eurajoki municipality	Finland
Mr Alfons García	Mayor of Vandellòs	Spain

15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee break*

15:30- 16:30 (cont. Topical session 5: Local stakeholder involvement in other parts of the nuclear life cycle)

Day 5: Friday 16 November 2018

9:00 – 9:30 **Presentation of summary slides of the discussion to be prepared based on inputs by rapporteurs (Ms Martell and Ms Shaver)**

9:30 – 10:30 **Discussion on summary report/refinements and general discussion for future works of the IAEA**

The participants will be invited to share their final feedbacks on the summary slides as well as other general issues including expectation for the IAEA’s future activities on the subject.

Discussion may also focus on possible approaches for extending to local experiences associated with other nuclear facilities, taking into account similarities and differences between RWM and other nuclear facilities.

Facilitators: Ms Martell and Ms Shaver

10:30 – 11:00 **Closing**

- Next steps and other business (IAEA)
- Closing remarks (IAEA)