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International NORM XI Symposium

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- Previous NORM Symposia: Netherlands (1997), Germany (1998), Belgium (2001), Poland (2004), Spain (2007), Morocco (2010), China (2013), Brazil (2016), US (2019), the Netherlands (2022)
- The IAEA is one of the main contributors in the organisation of NORM symposia and has a leading technical role from NORM IV onwards
- First time in South Saharan Africa









From NORM X to NORM XI

- Building on the foundations of 25 years of hard work
 - ✓ Significant increase of the regulations including provisions on NORM
 - ✓ Much more guidance and explanation is available



- Active and vibrant NORM community
- More work to do, and it is important to attract and develop the next generation
- Future: explicitly recognise the potential largescale effects in optimisation?







NORM XI Symposium – IAEA supported event

11th International Symposium

- ✓ Every 3 years, and 1st time in South Saharan Africa
 - Accra, Ghana
 - 13-17 October 2025
- ✓ Jointly organized by the Ghana Atomic Energy Commission (GAEC), the Ghana Association for Radiation Protection (GARP), the African ALARA Network (AFAN) and the Nuclear Regulatory Authority, Ghana (NRA)
- ✓ Symposium theme:

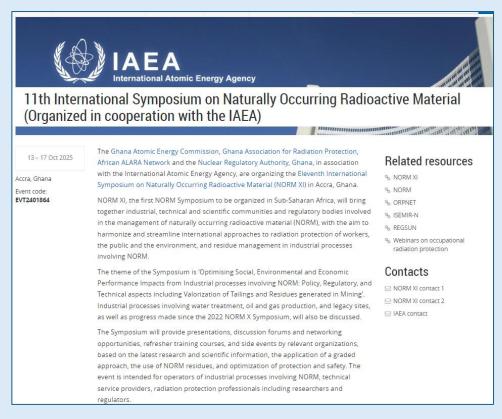
"Broadening Optimization in Industrial Processes Involving NORM: A Focus on Sustainability in Extractive Industries"

- ✓ In cooperation with the **IAEA** (May 2024)
- ✓ Supported by IRPA, ICRP, UNSCEAR, ILO
- ✓ Site events / training courses
- ✓ Network sessions





NORM XI Symposium — web sites



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Committees - established

International Steering Committee

- ✓ Chairperson: Marta Garcia-Talavera San Miguel (CSN, Spain)
- ✓ Advising the Scientific Programme Committee (SPC) about the scientific framework of the Symposium, i.e., to establish the scientific themes, sessions, invited speakers and refresher courses

Scientific Programme Committee

- ✓ Chairperson: David Andrew Bradley (Sunway University, Malaysia)
- ✓ Establishing the details of the scientific programme, including suggestions for session chairs and invited speakers, reviewing abstracts, summaries of sessions, etc.

Local Organizing Committee

- Chairperson: Joseph Kwabena Amoako (GARP)
- ✓ Local arrangements
- ✓ GAEC, GARP, AFAN and NRA

The Symposium's President

Prof. Samuel Boak ye Dampare D.G. Ghana Atomic Energy Commission



- NORM management challenges and progress in Sub-Saharan Africa
- Forum for the industrial, technical and scientific communities, and regulatory bodies involved in the management of NORM (in line with the IAEA Safety Standards)
- Dissemination of
 - ✓ New regulatory approaches
 - ✓ Research, scientific information
 - ✓ Knowledge on RP of workers, the public and the environment for a wide range of NORM industry sectors, e.g., mining, including U/Th mining and processing, as well as other industrial processes involving NORM (oil and gas production, and legacy sites)



Symposium topics



Fundamental and practical implementation aspects of regulations applicable to NORM in line with the international safety standards: Strategies to support the circular economy



Optimization of radiation protection in different situations involving exposure to NORM: Embedding the UN SDGs



Application of the graded approach to the regulation of NORM: Challenges and case studies



Sustainable management of NORM: Valorisation of NORM tailings and residues. Fostering emerging markets of secondary raw materials



Environmental aspects of NORM: Discharges and management of residues



NORM sampling and radiological characterization: Metrology and QA



Symposium topics (Cont'd)



ORP in NORM involving industries, including exposure to Rn-222 and Rn-220



Assessment of doses to people and non-human species



Decommissioning and remediation of legacy sites: Lessons learned and innovative approaches



Radiation protection aspects of NORM transport, trade and commerce



Stakeholder engagement and community development projects

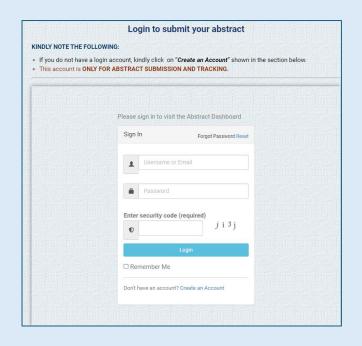


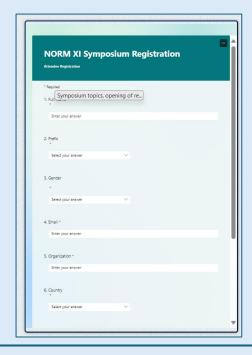
Strategies for capacity building and knowledge management



Symposium topics, opening of registration and abstract submission

- Web-site- updated
- Registration link: https://normxi2025.com/registration/
- Abstract link: https://normxi2025.com/submission-of-abstracts/
- 2nd announcement 24TH February









NORM XI

11th International Symposium on Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM)



October 13-17, 2025 @ Mensvic Grand Hotel, Accra - Ghana

SYMPOSIUM

HIGHLIGHTS

- 5 days of scientific presentations
- Refresher Courses
- Social Events
- Trade Exhibition

THEME

Broadening Optimization in Industrial Processes Involving NORM: A Focus on Sustainability in Extractive Industries

2ND ANNOUNCEMENT

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SYMPOSIUM PROGRAMME

The NORM XI Symposium provides a unique opportunity for industry leaders, researchers, regulators, and other stakeholders to come together and share the latest advancements, innovations, and best practices in NORM management.

The programme will feature a series of keynote plenary presentation sessions, technical topical sessions, poster sessions, plenary summaries, panel discussions, and networking events - all focused on the critical challenges and opportunities in this rapidly evolving field. The plenary sessions, featuring world-leading NORM experts and NORM practitioners, will highlight the current state of key topics. The final plenary session will identify the principal conclusions and outcomes from the Symposium. The preliminary programme contains twelve topical sessions. These sessions will provide oral presentations of submitted papers and selected keynote presentations, reflecting the scientific and practical areas defined by the topics and subjects:



Fundamental and Practical Implementation Aspects of Regulations Applicable to NORM in line with the international safety standards: Strategies to support the circular economy

- This theme explores the regulatory frameworks governing NORM, empha sizing compliance with international safety standards such as IAEA GSR Part 3 and its application to NORM management
- It will examine practical strategies for integrating these regulations into industry practices, promoting the circular economy by minimizing waste and enhancing resource recovery.
- Case studies and experiences demonstrating successful regulatory implementation and provide insights into effective practices that align with sustainable goals.



Optimization of Radiation Protection in Different Situations Involving NORM: Embedding the UN SDGs.

- This thematic area focuses on optimizing radiation protection strategies in various contexts of exposure to NORM, including industrial and environmental settings.
- It will highlight the integration of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals into radiation protection policies aligning radiation protection strategies with sustainable development goals.
- ■Innovative approaches to minimize exposure while supporting sustainable development, emphasizing the balance between economic growth and radiation safety.



Application of the Graded Approach to the Regulation of NORM: Challenges and case studies.

- This topic addresses the challenges (gaps and barriers) and successes of applying a graded approach to NORM regula-
- Case Studies on Graded Approach Implementation from different industrial processes involving NORM
- Adaptive Management Strategies to develop flexible regulatory frameworks that respond to new data and technologies with potential solutions that can enhance regulatory efficiency and effectiveness.
- Optimizing the regulator and operator resources

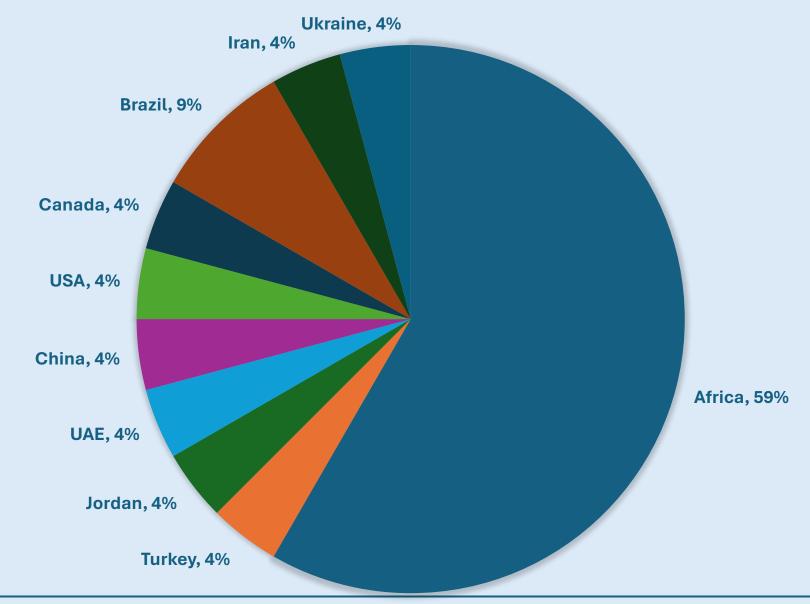


Sustainable Management of NORM: Valorisation of NORM tailings and residues. Fostering emerging markets of secondary raw materials.

- This theme will focus on sustainable practices for managing NORM, particularly the valorization of tailings and residues.
- Innovative methods for repurpose of these materials into secondary raw materials, fostering emerging markets.
- Technological advancements and policy frameworks that support sustainable practices, contributing to a circular economy within the extractive industries.
- Lifecycle Assessment to evaluate the environmental impacts of NORM management practices.



NORM XI Registrations



Broadening Optimization in Industrial Processes Involving NORM: A Focus on Sustainability in Extractive Industries

NORM XI Abstracts Received

residues

| Topical Area | Countries |
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| NORM sampling and radiological characterization: Metrology and | Congo, Malaysia, Brazil |
| quality assurance Occupational Radiation Protection in NORM involving industries, | Qatar |
| including exposure to radon and thoron | Kenya , Brazil |
| Assessment of doses to people and non-human species Radiation protection aspects of NORM transport, trade and | Nigeria, Mali Nigeria |
| commerce | Migeria |
| Environmental aspects of NORM: Discharges and management of | Brazil, Ghana, Ukraine |

Broadening Optimization in Industrial Processes Involving NORM: A Focus on Sustainability in Extractive Industries

South Africa

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Accra, Ghana

13 to 17 October 2025

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Training courses (refresher) and site visits

- o Training courses
 - Measurement and characterization
 - Practical application of NORM regulations
 - Strategies for proper use of IAEA Safety Standards, Graded approach
 - ICRP course-Hazard / risk assessment
 - Policies and Strategies for the Management of NORM Residues and Wastes
- o Site visits
 - Under review with operational sites



| Opening of Registration | October 2024 |
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| Call for Abstract Submission | October 2024 |
| Registration Deadline (Early-Bird) | 15 March 2025 |
| Abstract Submission Deadline | 15 May 2025 |
| Notification of Accepted Abstracts | 15 July 2025 |
| Registration only (no paper submission) | No deadline |



Symposium Venue

Mensvic Hotel, Accra - Ghana











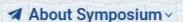




















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Partner Hotels & Discounted Rates

| Hotel | Location | Deluxe/Double Price Per Night | Suite Price Per Night |
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| Mensvic Grand Hotel | Lagos Ave | \$150 | — 3 |
| Tomreik Hotel | Lagos Ave | \$100 | \$120 |
| Ange Hill Hotel | JRHG+PRX, Ange Hill St | \$100 | \$120 |
| Erata Hotel | Ouagadougou Ave | \$90 | \$110 |
| MJ Grand Hotel | 460 Abotsi St | \$120 | \$140 |
| Golden Key Hotel | 8 Pretoria Ave | \$70 | \$85 |

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- Airport Pickup & Drop-off Available 🛪











- Extended Abstracts to be published by the IAEA
- Virtual option will be available for the Symposium

YOU are all invited to disseminate the information





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