



Biennial Forum of the Network on Environmental Management and Remediation

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Information Sheet

Introduction

The ENVIRONET (Network of Environmental Remediation and NORM Management) has been created to enhance the sharing of knowledge and exchange of experience amongst different stakeholders in the fields of Environmental Remediation and NORM (Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material) Management with the vision to facilitate the implementation of projects in these areas worldwide in a timely, safe and cost-effective way. Since its inception, the network brought together practitioners, implementers, decision and policy makers, researchers, and regulators from diverse backgrounds and expertise levels in environmental remediation and NORM management.

For more than 15 years, the ENVIRONET has evolved in response to international needs and interests. Initially focused on organizing training events, the network has expanded its scope to encompass a diverse range of activities aimed at achieving tangible outcomes. These include implementing dedicated projects resulting in technical reports, organization of webinars and establishing Communities of Practice. The intent behind these initiatives is to apply the knowledge gained to real situations. ENVIRONET also offers eLearning materials, a forum for discussion and other features in its website in the IAEA CONNECT Platform that can be found at:

<https://nucleus.iaea.org/sites/connect/ENVIRONETPublic/SitePages/Home.aspx>

The ENVIRONET steering Committee is composed of more than twenty members from Member States located worldwide. This ensures that the network gives due representation and captures challenges and needs from Member States with more and less advanced programmes in environmental remediation and NORM management.

The biennial meetings of the network represent a key activity of ENVIRONET as they allow the ENVIRONET community and other professionals working in the field of Environmental Remediation and NORM Management to exchange experiences, update each other on recent development in their national programmes, be informed about achievements of the network and also participate in group activities.

Objectives

The Environet meeting will have the following objectives:

- Share updates and experiences on environmental remediation projects in IAEA Member States, focusing on key topics such as holistic approaches, uranium mining sites, groundwater remediation, capacity building, regulatory framework, and sustainability.
- Review outcomes of recent ENVIRONET projects, including ongoing reports.
- Discuss future priorities and activities, including potential new projects and activities.

Target Audience

Representatives of national and international organizations concerned with environmental remediation of NORM management including:

- government officials with policy responsibility for environmental remediation and NORM management;
- members of regulatory authorities;
- implementers of environmental remediation projects and NORM related facility operators;
- planners from environmental remediation and NORM management organizations/projects;
- researchers from universities and research institutions;
- officials from concerned international organizations.

Working Language

English.

Topics

Discussions within ENVIRONET meetings have highlighted recurring challenges that influence the effectiveness and long-term sustainability of environmental remediation projects and NORM management in IAEA Member States. The following topics will be included in the programme:

- Guiding principles for remediation – including, but not limited to safety, sustainability, stakeholder engagement, and lessons learned (case studies);
- Holistic approach to environmental remediation – including, but not limited to implementation, cost, risk reduction, long-term management, social values, criteria and end state;

- The use of artificial intelligence and other digital tools in environmental remediation;
- NORM management – case studies, challenges and opportunities;
- Uranium mining remediation – case studies, lifecycle management, social dimension;
- Complex nuclear sites – planned and existing exposure situations, decision making, criteria and
- Groundwater remediation.

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, participants are requested to send the **Participation Form (Form A)** to their competent national authority (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority) for onward transmission to the IAEA by **11 September 2026**. Participants who are members of an organization invited to attend are requested to send the **Participation Form (Form A)** through their organization to the IAEA by the above deadline.

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.

Papers and Presentations

The IAEA encourages participants to give presentations on the work of their respective institutions that falls under the topics listed above.

Participants who wish to give presentations are requested to submit an abstract of their work. The abstract will be reviewed as part of the selection process for presentations. The abstract should be in A4 page format, should extend to no more than 3 pages (including figures and tables) and should not exceed 500 words. It should be sent electronically to Ms Sandra Faught and Ms Chantal Mommaert, the Scientific Secretaries of the event (see contact details below), not later than **11 September 2026**. Authors will be notified of the acceptance of their proposed presentations by **30 September 2026**.

In addition, participants have to submit the abstract together with the **Participation Form (Form A)** and the attached **Form for Submission of a Paper (Form B)** to their competent national authority (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority) or their organization for onward transmission to the IAEA not later than **11 September 2026**.

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.

The application for financial support should be made using the **Grant Application Form (Form C)**, which has to be stamped, signed and submitted by the competent national authority to the IAEA together with the **Participation Form (Form A)** by **11 September 2026**.

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/Secretaries and correspondence on other matters related to the event to the Administrative Secretary.

Event Web Page

Please visit the following IAEA web page regularly for new information regarding this event:

<https://www.iaea.org/events/evt2503691>

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Deadline for receipt by IAEA through official channels: 11 September 2026

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Do you intend to submit a paper? Yes ☐ No ☐ Title:			
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3. Description of work performed over the last three years:

4. Institute's/Member State's programme in field of event:

Date: **Signature of applicant:** _____

Date: **Name, signature and stamp of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission
to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority** _____