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# **Technical Meeting on Lessons Learned in the Disposal of Low Level Waste (the International Low Level Waste Disposal Network)**

**Cherbourg, France**

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**Information Sheet**

## **A. Background**

Radioactive waste disposal facilities are required by Member States as an end-point in the management of residual radioactive materials.

Following the issue of an operational licence and approvals to proceed, a radioactive waste disposal facility should be operated and closed in accordance with the design plans included in the licensing documentation.

Long-term nature of disposal facility operations also requires reacting to changes in national policy, regulatory requirements and other stakeholder requirements.

Future developments in technology may have direct or indirect impacts on repository closure plans.

All information related to the construction process and quality controls should be recorded and stored throughout a repository's lifetime.

## **B. Purpose**

The purpose of the event is to gather information through the International Low Level Waste Disposal Network on lessons learned in the disposal of low level waste.

This meeting will mostly concentrate on the Member States' experiences with the preparation and implementation for closure of low and intermediate level waste disposal facilities.

## **C. Scope**

Topics to be covered:

- Closure and post closure experience
- Preparation for closure of disposal facilities
- Planning post closure activities and institutional controls for repositories
- Post-closure monitoring and surveillance of the disposal facility
- Specific regulatory guidance on closure
- Demonstrating compliance with safety requirements
- Relations to stakeholders

## **D. Expected Outputs**

- Sharing the collected experiences on the web pages of the International Low Level Waste Disposal Network (DISPONET)
- Contribute to Radioactive Waste Management WIKI

## **E. Target Audience**

The meeting is targeted at professionals with responsibility in planning, conducting and/or managing the closure of radioactive waste repositories.

## **Working Language**

The working language of the meeting will be English. Interpretation will not be provided. All communications, abstracts, and papers must also be submitted in English.

## **F. Venue**

The meeting will commence on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019 in Cherbourg, France. During the week a technical visit of the closed *Le centre de stockage de la Manche* (CSM) repository will be organized.

## **G. Visas**

Participants requiring a visa for entering France should submit the necessary application to the nearest diplomatic or consular representative of France as early as possible.

## **H. Organization**

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