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The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) presents its compliments to the IAEA's Member States and has the honour to draw their attention to the **International Training Course on Operational and Performance Testing of Physical Protection Systems** (hereinafter referred to as "event") to be held at the Nuclear Security Training and Demonstration Centre (NSTDC) in Seibersdorf, Austria, from **3 to 14 August 2026**.

The purpose of the event is to train participants in operational and performance testing techniques and methodologies for accepting newly established and/or enhanced systems as part of physical protection upgrade projects.

The attached Information Sheet provides further details of the event.

The event will be held in English.

Member States are invited to designate one participant for this event. Member States are strongly encouraged to identify women 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 via the InTouch+ platform not later than **15 May 2026**, as indicated in the enclosed Information Sheet.

It should be noted that compensation is not payable by the IAEA for any damage to or loss of personal property. The IAEA also does not provide health insurance coverage for participants in IAEA events. Arrangements for private insurance coverage on an individual basis should therefore be made. The IAEA will, however, provide insurance coverage for accidents and illnesses that clearly result from any work performed for the IAEA.

Designations should be submitted to the IAEA via the InTouch+ platform (<https://intouchplus.iaea.org>) through the competent national authority (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority) not later than **15 May 2026**, as indicated in the enclosed Information Sheet.

The Scientific Secretary of the event will liaise with the participants directly concerning further arrangements, including travel details, as appropriate, once the official designations have been received.

The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA's Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.



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