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Joint ICTP/IAEA School on
NUCLEAR KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

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Since 2004, the School of Nuclear Knowledge Management (NKM School) has been jointly organized by The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

PURPOSE: The School is a certificate course aiming to provide specialized education and training on development and implementation of knowledge management programmes in nuclear science and technology organizations.

FOCUS: The School focuses on methodologies and practices, and explores various dimensions of NKM such as processes and tools, challenges and benefits, culture influence, relationship with human resource development, information technology for knowledge preservation and sharing, etc. Learning is supplemented with real life examples, good practices and lessons learned from NKM programmes in different types of nuclear organizations. The aim is to encourage ‘forward thinking’ and to enable participants to apply theory and insights directly in their workplace.

TOPICS: The main topics of the School are:

• Nuclear Knowledge and Knowledge Management Fundamentals;
• Developing Policies and Strategies in Managing Nuclear Knowledge;
• Managing Nuclear Information Resources;
• Human Resources Development, Risk of Knowledge Loss and Knowledge Transfer;
• Practical Guidance and Best practices on NKM.

LOCATION: The School will take place in Trieste, Italy on ICTP premises.


DELIVERY METHODS: The School starts with some pre-training carried out via e-learning. This pre-training introduces applicants to the fundamentals of NKM, and ensures a common understanding of the basics, allowing a more efficient and valuable interaction with peers and lecturers during the face-to-face in-class training that follows.

Once at ICTP, topics are introduced through presentations delivered by recognized experts, and are followed by case studies, practical work and breakout sessions where participants will have the opportunity to discuss issues and solutions. An NKM group project is also developed over the week.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE: The invitation to the School is extended to young professionals from the nuclear field that have - or may in the near future have - a lead role in managing nuclear knowledge. Experts and scientists from countries that are members of the UN, UNESCO or the IAEA may attend. Although the main purpose of the Centre is to help researchers from developing countries through a programme of training activities within a framework of international cooperation, a limited number of participants from developed countries are also welcome. Due to organizational reasons, the total number of participants is limited. The School will be conducted in English and participants must have adequate language skills.

SELECTION PROCEDURE: The selection procedure has two phases. The applicants are initially chosen based on their qualifications, skills, abilities and experience. The pre-selected group will then undergo the online pre-training course (via e-learning platform) and a test. The results of the test will be one of the final elements considered in the final selection of participants for the School.

COSTS: As a rule, a participant’s travel and subsistence expenses should be borne by the home institution. Every effort should be made by candidates to secure financial support from their home country. However, limited funds will be available for some participants, who are nationals of, and working in, a developing country. Such financial support is available only to those who attend the entire Workshop.

HOW TO APPLY: The online application form for this training course is available at:

http://cdsagenda5.ictp.it/full_display.php?id=a14285

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