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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 disseminate the below communication about the IAEA Lise Meitner Programme (LMP).

The IAEA Director General has recently announced the IAEA Lise Meitner Programme (LMP) which focuses on career development of women in the nuclear field. It aims to boost women professional careers with a multiweek visiting professional programme to expand their vision and experience with technical and managerial activities, in addition to creating community of women nuclear professionals. The programme will be launched on International Women's Day on 8 March 2023 during an IAEA event.

The programme includes professional visits to various nuclear facilities, including facilities under construction, operation or decommissioning, research centres, scientific institutions, laboratories, industry sector and start-up companies. In addition, participants have an opportunity to expand on individual professional relationships with a wide range of leaders and experts in the field. The first professional visits under the LMP are expected to take place in June 2023, in the United States of America.

The LMP includes on-site lectures and discussions with interactive training, which may include project development and implementation, laboratory analysis, testing and measurements, as well as modelling and simulations using advanced computer codes or simulators. The programme envisages enhancing participants' soft skills through management and leadership training, mentoring, networking, coaching, and competency management.

The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency takes this opportunity to inform the IAEA's Member States that the pipeline application process for the LMP has opened. Candidates interested in the professional visits taking place in the USA are invited to submit applications no later than Sunday, March 19, 2023. Applicants may apply in their own capacity or via the nomination process triggered by the attached Nomination Form.

The visiting professional programme typically lasts between two to four weeks and possibly longer in some host countries, gathering 10 to 15 visiting professionals per cohort. The visiting professionals are not expected to bear any financial cost for participation in the programme. The programme is funded by extra-budgetary and in-kind contributions from IAEA Member States and other donors.

To help with broad dissemination of the information, it would be greatly appreciated if this communication is shared with your relevant national authorities for further distribution among potential donors and partners, industry, and women professionals in your country.

More information on LMP can be found on <u>Lise Meitner Programme | IAEA</u> and <u>Information for applicants | IAEA</u> with detailed instructions on how to apply.

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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To all IAEA Member States

Enclosure: Nomination Form