





IAEA Legislative Assistance Programme: Overview of the Programme's Main Activities

Supporting Member States in adhering and committing to the relevant international legal instruments and in establishing and strengthening comprehensive national nuclear legal frameworks implementing these instruments and relevant standards and guidance

OBJECTIVE	Raising Awareness	Increasing Understanding	Facilitating Implementation	Transferring Knowledge	
					
TYPE OF ACTIVITY	1 AWARENESS OUTREACH	2 WORKSHOP	3 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW	4 CAPACITY-BUILDING	
MAIN ACTIVITIES	Awareness Meeting on the International Legal Instruments	National Workshop on Nuclear Law	Desktop Review	NLI	ISNL
	Awareness Meeting on National Nuclear Legislation	Regional / Sub-Regional Workshop on Nuclear Law	Bilateral Review Meeting	Fellowship/Scientific Visit	National/Regional Seminar
DESCRIPTION	Informing and raising awareness of decision-makers, policy-makers, senior officials and/ or parliamentarians (legislatures) on nuclear law and discussing specific issues	Increasing stakeholders' understanding of the international legal instruments and elements of a comprehensive national nuclear legal framework	Reviewing draft and existing enacted national nuclear legislation	Training of legislative drafters and other officials in nuclear law	

IAEA Legislative Assistance Activities are Available Upon Request:
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Type of Activity	Description of Activity
1. Awareness Outreach	<p>Main Activity(ies): Awareness Meeting</p> <p>Objective: The aim is to inform and raise awareness of the elements of comprehensive national nuclear legislation and/or the importance of adhering to the relevant international legal instruments, as well as to discuss specific issues</p> <p>Target Audience: Decision-makers, policy-makers, senior-officials and/or parliamentarians</p> <p>Duration: Typically, comprises of a series of short focused bilateral meetings (typically 1-2 days)</p> <p>Related Activity(s): Often implemented together with a National Workshop on Nuclear Law (typically 1-3 days); and depending on the status of draft legislation, Bilateral Review Meeting</p> <p>Format: Implemented in-country, virtually or at IAEA Headquarters</p>
2. Workshop	<p>Main Activity(s): National Workshop on Nuclear Law (and Regional or Sub-Regional Workshop)</p> <p>Objective: The aim is to increase stakeholder understanding of the international legal instruments and the elements of comprehensive national nuclear legislation, as well as specific topics of interest for a country</p> <p>Regional or Sub-Regional Workshops provide an opportunity to develop informal bilateral Legislative Assistance Work-Plans which reflect future IAEA assistance</p> <p>Target Audience: Various stakeholders, including, representatives from the regulatory body, relevant ministries and other bodies</p> <p>Duration: Depends on agreed scope and whether combined with related activity(ies) (typically 1-3 days)</p> <p>Regional or Sub-Regional Workshop are typically held every two years for each region/sub-region (typically 4-5 days)</p> <p>Related Activity(s): Often implemented together with an Awareness Meeting and/or Legislative Review</p> <p>Format: Implemented in-country, virtually or at IAEA Headquarters</p>
3. Legislative Review	<p>Main Activity(s): Desk-top Review and Bilateral Review Meeting</p> <p>Objective: IAEA review of submitted draft or enacted legislation (law, act, decree) to determine whether the legislation provides an adequate basis for implementation of the relevant international legal instruments, standards and guidance and to discuss the comments provided during a Bilateral Review Meeting(s) with the legislative drafter(s) and other officials</p> <p>Target Audience: Legislative drafter(s), members of the drafting team and other officials</p> <p>Duration: Desk-top Review (typically completed in 6-8 weeks (depending on need for translation)) and Bilateral Review Meeting (typically 1-3 days). Typically, assistance is an ongoing process with the IAEA requested to review several versions of the draft legislation</p> <p>Related Activity(s): Often combined with a National Workshop on Nuclear Law and/or Awareness Meeting</p> <p>Format: Implemented firstly by a Desk-top Review, followed by Bilateral Review Meeting with legislative drafter(s) in-country, virtually or at IAEA Headquarters</p>
4. Capacity- building	<p>Main Activity(s): IAEA Nuclear Law Institute (NLI) and country-specific Fellowship and Scientific Visit</p> <p>Objective: Training to enhance national capabilities to support legislative drafting and analysis and, to increase the understanding of the specificities of nuclear law</p> <p>Target Audience: Legislative drafters, members of the drafting team and other officials</p> <p>Format: Financial support to attend the annual NLI (and the OECD/NEA International School of Nuclear Law (ISNL)); National/ Regional Training Seminar; and country-specific Fellowship or Scientific Visit to the IAEA Office of Legal Affairs or national regulatory bodies - subject to the nomination of qualified candidates, status of draft legislation, relevant assessments and national priorities</p>