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PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS

between the

INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

and the

NATIONAL RESEARCH NUCLEAR UNIVERSITY
“MEPhI”

These Practical Arrangements are entered into between the International Atomic Energy Agency (hereinafter referred to as the “IAEA”), whose address is Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 100, 1400 Vienna, Austria, and the National Research Nuclear University MEPhI (hereinafter referred to as “NRNU MEPhI”), whose address is Kashirskoe shosse 31, 115409 Moscow, the Russian Federation (hereinafter also individually referred to as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties”).

Whereas, the Parties recognize that preserving and enhancing nuclear knowledge involves both education and training for succession planning and the preservation or growth of existing knowledge in nuclear science and technology;

Whereas, the Parties also acknowledge the useful role of international cooperation in facilitating exchanges of information and experience, as well as in implementing actions to help addressing common issues;

Whereas, facilitating sustainable nuclear education and training forms part of the IAEA work on capacity building and nuclear knowledge management for sustainable energy development;

Whereas, NRNU MEPhI is a basic university of Rosatom and a leading university of the Russian Nuclear Education Network with an outstanding base of experience in informing, attracting and preparing the younger generation for entering the nuclear field, as well as training and retraining of nuclear professionals; and

Whereas, NRNU MEPhI is successfully engaged in research and development activities for nuclear industry.

1. In order to further enhance their relationship, the Parties have reached an understanding on the following modalities of cooperation in the area of managing nuclear knowledge:

- collaboration in initiatives and efforts in nuclear education and training including the development of guiding documents, harmonization of common requirements and reference curricula for nuclear engineering educational programmes, as well as facilitating their implementation;
- collaboration in the development of innovative and modern educational technologies in nuclear education, including the introduction of the IAEA Cyber Learning Platform (CLP) at NRNU MEPhI and the access to the NRNU MEPhI virtual laboratories and courses;
- collaboration in the development and implementation of IAEA activities on collecting and preserving information on peaceful use of nuclear science and technology through the Russian International Nuclear Information System (INIS) Center;
- participation in and support to IAEA expert missions for the assessment of human resources and nuclear knowledge management, nuclear education and nuclear infrastructure in the frame of country requests for support; and
- facilitation of the provision of facilities and staff for fellowship, assistance in the organization of scientific visits and specialized training courses, participation in IAEA projects on development and implementation of specialized educational laboratories in IAEA Member States.

2. All correspondence related to these Practical Arrangements will be channelled through the designated contact persons at the following addresses:

For the IAEA:

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3. The Parties will consult annually, or as practicable, on cooperation activities to be carried out under these Practical Arrangements.
4. The Parties will support the widest possible dissemination of information provided or exchanged under these Practical Arrangements, subject to the need to protect proprietary information. Each Party will ensure the confidentiality of information classified by the other Party as restricted or confidential.
5. The Parties will cooperate to ensure that the intellectual property and rights thereto, including, without limitation, all copyrights and patents, in and to any material or invention produced by either Party, their employees and contractors arising from the cooperation between the Parties in the implementation of these Practical Arrangements, can be used to further the IAEA statutory function of, *inter alia*, fostering the exchange of information among its Member States.
6. Nothing in these Practical Arrangements gives rise to legal or financial obligations upon either Party. To the extent that any foreseen activity may give the rise to a legal or financial obligation, a separate agreement shall be concluded subject to IAEA's Financial Regulations and Rules, and policies and guidelines prior to such activity being undertaken.
7. Any disputes arising out of or relating to interpretation or implementation of these Practical Arrangements will be amicably settled among the Parties.
8. Nothing in these Practical Arrangements shall be construed as a waiver, either expressed or implied, of the privileges and immunities accorded to the IAEA by its Member States.
9. No modifications of, or changes to these Practical Arrangements, or waiver of any of their provisions, shall be valid unless mutually agreed in writing by the Parties.
10. These Practical Arrangements shall remain in effect for the period of three (3) years after the last signature by the Parties and can be extended by letters of agreement.
11. Either Party may terminate these Practical Arrangements giving sixty (60) days' written notice to the other Party. Where notice of termination is given, the Parties shall take immediate steps to bring all joint activities to a close in a prompt and orderly manner.

Done in duplicate in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the IAEA


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Signature
17-09-2012, Vienna
Date/Place

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