

# The Potential for Increasing the Role of the RCA Regional Office

Introductory comments

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# Situation Analysis

## Relevant & Effective Regional Programme in technology transfer

- Regional projects addressing areas of priority and need.
- Introduction to the region of new and emerging technologies.
- Regional training programmes to distribute the technologies.
- Regional investments in human resources and physical infrastructure.

# Situation Analysis

Relevant & Effective National Programmes in adopted transferred technology

- National investments in human resources and physical infrastructure.
- National training programmes.
- National adaption of technologies to meet local resources and conditions.
- National competencies in application of transferred technologies.

# Consequences

- Nuclear science & technology capabilities across the region raised and spread more evenly.
- Lower requirement across the region for external countries to provide support with additional inputs on already transferred technologies.
- Requirement for new technologies to address emerging needs and priorities.

# Challenges

- How to achieve the new inputs of nuclear science and technology required to address the emerging needs and priorities in the region.
- How to maintain the level of high technology transfer and also support more basic technology requirements of some RCA countries.
- How to increase the size and scope of the RCA programme in response to the increased needs and priorities in the region and the additional countries.
- How to supplement the support for the RCA programme through additional inputs of funding and administrative support.

## Discussion Point 1

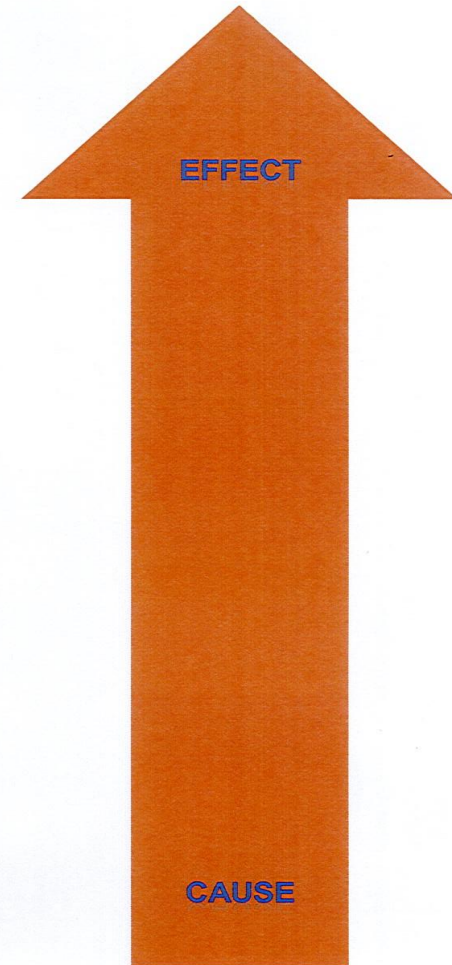
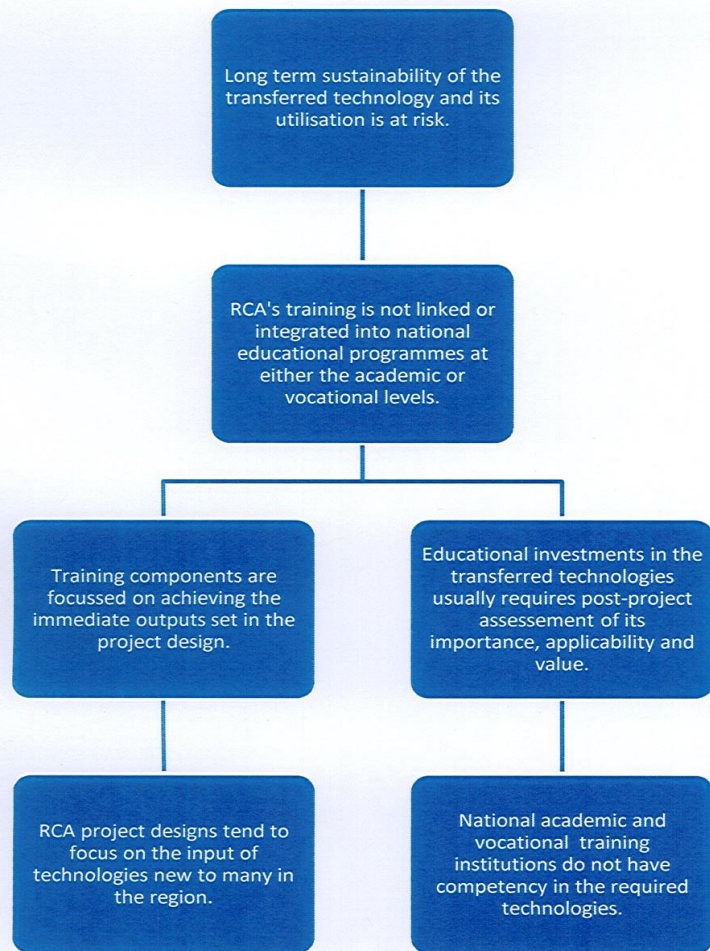
*The RCARO could support and implement “supplementary projects” proposed and agreed by the MSs.*



## Discussion Point 2

*The RCARO could support and implement Research Programmes for the interest of the MSs.*

# Problem tree - Education





## Discussion Point 3

*The RCARO could facilitate the development of nuclear science and technology related educational programmes.*

## Discussion Point 4

*The RCARO could assist in supporting and coordinating ad hoc training programmes.*

## Discussion Point 5

*The RCARO could assist in the support and coordination of Working groups and ad hoc Committees established by the MSs.*

## Discussion Point 6

*The RCARO should recruit a senior staff member from the MSs to assist in the implementation of its increased administrative role. It could provide more regional face for the RCARO.*

*A Working Group should be established to consider the suggestions proposed in this report.*



*Pilot Projects funded by extrabudgetary support from the host country of the RCARO should be initiated.*

