



**REGIONAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY**



MEETING REPORT OF
THE 11TH RCARO STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting Room A2774
IAEA Headquarters
Vienna, Austria

16 September 2010
15:30-18:00h

Introduction

The 11th RCA Regional Office Standing Advisory Committee Meeting was held at the IAEA Headquarters in Vienna, Austria on 16 September 2010, prior to the 39th RCA GCM. The participants were Ms. Alumanda Dela Rosa (Current RCA Chair, PHI NR), Mr. Tsutomu Arai (Immediate past RCA Chair, JPN NR), Mr. Anhar Riza Antariksawan (Immediate next RCA Chair, INS NR), and Mr. Prinath Dias (RCA Focal Person, IAEA).

The RCARO, represented by Director Mr. Mun-Ki Lee, Mr. Maeng-Ho Yang and Ms. Yunhee Choi, served as the secretariat of the SAC Meeting.

1. Opening Remarks by the RCA Chair (PHI)

The RCA Chair, Ms. Alumanda Dela, opened the Meeting and welcomed the participants. She expressed appreciation to the RCARO for its accomplishment to increase visibility and viability of RCA.

2. Adoption of the Agenda and Appointment of Rapporteur

After a brief review of the tasks ahead for the Meeting, the provisional Agenda was adopted without amendments and appointed Ms. Yunhee Choi as a rapporteur.

3. Discussions on the Major Issues Concerning RCARO

3.1. Publication of the RCA Success Stories

At the invitation of the Chair, RCARO reported the status on the third batch and the fourth batch of the RCA success stories.

The SAC agreed that the draft of the Success Story in leaflet form be submitted to the GCM for the approval of the contents. The SAC, however, recommended that RCARO should reflect comments received from the NRs within a month and re-circulate the revised draft for the final approval of the NRs. With regard to the preparation of the Success Story on RCA activities in Radiotherapy in booklet form, the SAC agreed to submit the draft at the next NRM.

3.2. Production of RCA Promotional Video

The RCARO briefed about the refined scenario of the RCA Promotional Video reflecting comments from the 2010 Jeju Workshop. Extensive discussion was conducted on the possibility of changes in the proposed scenario.

The SAC emphasized that the mainstream of the content and the substance may remain as it approved by the GCM, although the scenario may be modified in the process of video production. Also, the Meeting agreed that the demo video be circulated among the NRs for comments after reflecting the following recommendations:

- 1) Insert content of RCA mission and vision; and

2) Enrich the content regarding the IAEA's contribution to RCA.

3.3. Enhanced Information Services of RCA Website

The SAC was informed RCARO's plan to manage MOH data incorporated into RCA website and to redesign the website. Regarding the methodology to incorporate the MOH data into the RCA website, extensive discussion was conducted.

Concerning the MOH data management, the SAC recommended that:

- a) the MOH data should be reorganized in line with proposal and decision made in Malaysia in 2005;
- b) the MOH data page should be updated based on the documents provided by the RCA Focal Person; and
- c) the project document, annual achievement report, summary of outcomes of the progress review meetings prepared by PLCC, and meeting schedules could be opened to the public.

With regard to the homepage renewal, the SAC agreed that the renewed homepage be demonstrated at the next NRM.

3.4. Participation in Regional and International Conferences to Increase RCA Awareness and Partnership

The RCARO reported to the Meeting on RCARO's participation in international conferences and events to raise awareness of the RCA for advice and recommendations from the SAC.

The SAC agreed RCARO's proposal to participate in the international conference.

In regards to events, the RCA Focal Person requested RCARO to send the prospectus of RCARO/Asian Regional Cooperative Council for Nuclear Medicine (ARCCNM) Training Course to review whether there is any overlap with ongoing IAEA programmes.

3.5. Progress in the RCA-UNDP Project

The Meeting was briefed on the progress made in the RCA/UNDP project regarding nano-molecular imaging technologies and electron-beam applications.

The SAC took note of the progress of the RCA/UNDP partnership projects.

3.6. Development of promotional strategy

The SAC agreed the change in the title of the agenda made by RCARO, from "publicity strategy" which was entitled at the last NRM to "promotional strategy". The SAC recommended the GCM to approve the promotional strategy.

3.7. 2010 Jeju Workshop

The RCARO reported to the Meeting on the outcomes of the RCARO Workshop on Enhancing RCARO Interaction with Member States that was endorsed by the last NRM in Manila in March 2010. The following recommendations were suggested:

The SAC recommended the GCM to agree recommendations made at the Jeju workshop, subject to reflect the NRs' comments. Also, the SAC agreed that the current mandates may be amended at the next NRM to implement the recommendations made at the Jeju workshop regarding RCARO's involvement in project design and management. The SAC advised RCARO to develop its

capability in order to effectively assist the MSs in the project cycle.

3.8. Legal Status of RCARO

With regard to this issue, RCARO reported the background, needs to enhance the legal status, and the consequential benefits to the MSs.

The RCARO prepared a report on the Authority of RCARO. The SAC recommended RCARO to prepare the proposal, which includes the detailed contents to strengthen the authority of the RCARO be submitted to the next NRM.

5. Arrangement for the next 12th SAC Meeting

The Meeting was informed that the 12th RCARO SAC meeting would be held on the day prior to the 33rd RCA NRM, which is planned to be held in April 2011.

6. Closing

The Chair of the Meeting thanked all the SAC members for their contribution to the advice and recommendations given to the RCARO.