

Future RCA

Food for Thought

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We are looking for individuals who are eager to develop and apply their skills to create buildings where people live, work and play. If you think big, we would like to hear from you.



➤ *After 48 years, it can be confirmed that the RCA has evolved and developed very well. The RCA has been proven as an effective cooperative mechanism;*



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➤ *But, enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of cooperative activities under the RCA framework is **an objective requirement!***



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➤ *In order to innovate and invigorate the RCA, it is necessary to identify the weaknesses in the current operating mechanism of the RCA.*



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Here are some observations (among others):

- *There is a high turnover of NRs, therefore, many NRs just get acquainted with the RCA mechanism, then leave! and a new NR comes, or no NR is nominated for some time;*



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➤ *Some GPs do not have a clear mechanism to support NR in the coordination of cooperative activities under the RCA. There is loose communication between NRs and NPCs in some GPs; Some NRs without power expected as “NR” (policy maker);*



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➤ *The term of the RCA Chair is just one year. It is only enough time for a new RCA Chair to understand the RCA, then leave. It is a very formal management mechanism;*



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➤ *The RCA is a multi-governmental agreement, but there has been no meeting at ministerial level over the past 48 years to affirm their strong political will and commitment.*



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➤ *There is no mechanism to involve experts, stakeholders, managers, national authorities in developing RCA projects from inception. RCA projects are not sizeable and long enough to produce social and economic impact. There is a lack of multi-/interdisciplinary approach in the development of RCA programme;*



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➤ *There is a lack of a regional plan/programme on nuclear science and technology human resource development connecting universities and national nuclear institutes in the region;*



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➤ *There is a lack of an effective mechanism to promote partnership and financial resource mobilization;*



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➤ *GOR is rather heavy and cumbersome /bureaucratic. It needs to be reviewed, revised and simplified.*



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The next question is:
How to invigorate and innovate the RCA?

It is up to NRs to decide.



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Dalal Haldeman



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