



# **DRAFT WORK PLAN FOR RCA MINISTERIAL MEETING**

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# I. Preliminary Plan for the RCA Ministerial Meeting

- **Date and Venue**

1-2 days, 44<sup>th</sup> NRM (Mar/April 2022, VIE) or 65<sup>th</sup> IAEA GC (Sept. 2022)

*\* The venue must be decided by the 49<sup>th</sup> GCM at the latest*

- **Participants**

Minister level government officials from GPs and senior officials & experts (SOM participants), RCA NRs

- **Senior Officers Meeting (SOM)**

- To be held in conjunction with 50<sup>th</sup> GCM in 2021 and/or 1 day before the RCA Ministerial Meeting → *to prepare for the Ministerial Meeting: discuss and review the draft Joint statement, round-table discussion etc.*



# I. Preliminary Plan for the RCA Ministerial Meeting

- **Expected Outcomes of the RCA Ministerial Meeting**
- *Expected Objective*
  - To address current and emerging development challenges of the RCA region through peaceful uses of nuclear science & technology for sustainable development;
  - To facilitate high-level dialogue on strengthening the ownership and leadership on enhancing RCA's socio-economic impacts in GPs;
  - To create a new strong momentum to revitalize the RCA for the next 50 years.
- *Expected Outputs*
  - Joint Statement/Declaration
  - Action Plan and RCA Vision 2030 (if any)



## **II. Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting**

- **Registration**
- **Session 1: Opening Session**
  - Commemorative photo
- **Session 2: Looking back, looking ahead**
  - To take stock of regional cooperation over the past five decades;
  - To examine the RCA's vision and mission and how nuclear technologies have been transferred in GPs;
  - To consider how well the current approach responds to regional needs and how regional development approaches can be reformed;



## **II. Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting**

- **Session 3: Policies & strategies on nuclear technology applications for sustainable development**
  - To review the role of nuclear technique applications in socio-economic development (in relation to national policies);
  - To acknowledge the success of implementing international and regional agreements on nuclear technology (RCA, AFRA, ARCAL, ARASIA) in achieving SDGs;
  - To consider innovations that could be integrated into the GPs' national strategies on nuclear S&T technology applications;
  - To reach a stronger national commitment to the RCA.



## II. Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting

- **Session 4: RCA Award Ceremony**

- To award key RCA experts and/or RCA projects/teams to honor their contribution to the RCA

\* *The RCA Award Ceremony might be held in the RCA Exhibition (TBD)*

- **Session 5: Panel - Discussion** (*Topic to be discussed*)

E.x: *A stronger partnership of 50 years RCA and beyond/RCA Vision 2030*

- To share national experiences in applying nuclear technology to tackle global challenges and achieve the UN's SDGs.

- Challenges and opportunities for the promotion of nuclear S&T.



## **II. Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting**

- **Session 6: The path forward**

- To adopt the outcome documents: Joint Statement/Declaration on New Approaches/Directions of RCA and/or RCA Vision 2030 including concrete actions in relation to practical applications of nuclear S&T and its potential to meet regional development needs and to address regional challenges ;
- To promote interaction among RCA projects, CRPs of the IAEA, IAEA Collaborating Centre and cooperation with international organizations.

- **Session 7: Closing Session**

- **Closing: Press Conference**

## III. Milestones for the RCA Ministerial Meeting

Timeframe	Activities to be taken	Responsible parties
(STF Meeting, 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consideration and approval of the work plan for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the RCA</li> <li>- Submit a proposal to establish a WG for RCA Ministerial Meeting 2022 (The WG is in charge of studying of RCA's Vision 2030 &amp; innovations for Joint Declaration of RCA Ministerial Meeting)</li> </ul>	STF, NRs, IAEA
49 <sup>th</sup> GCM Sept. 2020	Progress report of preparation for the RCA Ministerial Meeting	STF, IAEA, RCARO

## III. Milestones for the RCA Ministerial Meeting

Timeframe	Activities to be taken	Responsible parties
<b>Nov. 2020</b>	WG Meeting of preparation for RCA Ministerial Meeting in 2022	Chair of PAC, Chair of MTS WG, STF, RCA FP
<b>43<sup>rd</sup> NRM (Mar. 2021)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reporting the results of the study of RCA's directions &amp; innovations by WG</li> <li>- Consideration and approval of the detailed plan of activities for the Anniversary including RCA Ministerial Meeting</li> </ul>	Chair of PAC, Chair of MTS WG, Chair of MM WG, IAEA, RCA FP, NRs

## III. Milestones for the RCA Ministerial Meeting

Timeframe	Activities to be taken	Responsible parties
<b>50<sup>th</sup> GCM</b> <b>Sept. 2021</b>	Approval of the final program and arrangements for the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the RCA (including the draft of Joint Declaration for RCA Ministerial Meeting)  <i>* SOM could be held in conjunction with 50<sup>th</sup> GCM</i>	Chair of PAC, Chair of MTS WG, Chair of MM WG, IAEA, RCA FP, NRs
<b>Sept 2021</b> <b>(after GCM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sending the Invitation of RCA Ministerial Meeting</li> <li>- MLM webpage/organizing committee (if any)</li> </ul>	IAEA, RCARO, NRs
<b>Mar. 2022</b> <b>(44<sup>th</sup> NRM)</b>	MLM of RCA and SOM (if any)	IAEA, VIE, RCARO

## IV. Financial Resources

- To prepare for the Ministerial Meeting, minimum fund required would be approximately US\$120,000. Details in Annex 4- Action Plan for the 50<sup>th</sup> RCA Anniversary.
- For successful organization, the IAEA, RCARO and GPs should have significant extra financial contribution. A group in charge of financial mobilization and related issues should be established;
- The cost for WG Meeting could be funded by the project RAS/0/086;
- Other costs: Security, Health (if any) to be considered.

*\* The venue of Ministerial Meeting shall govern financial costs*

## V. Other issues

- IAEA and NR of China are requested to provide references related to the organization of 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of RCA (the detailed sources for the event);
- NR of Japan is requested to share experiences of annual FNCA Ministerial Level Meeting;
- IAEA helps to share experiences on previous ministerial events hosted by the IAEA;
- The question “What and How to do” must be clarified and all GPs will actively join in and reach a strong consensus through documentary exchange and policy meetings.
- The venue of Ministerial Meeting must be decided in the 49<sup>th</sup> GCM to ensure smooth implementation of next steps.



**Thank you for your attention!**