

**Report of the 4th Meeting of the
Special Task Force for the 50th Anniversary of the RCA
17th November 2021**

1. Introduction

At the 50th RCA General Conference Meeting (RCA GCM) held during 16-17 September 2021, the report of the 3rd Meeting of Special Task Force (STF) was presented as details in **Annex 1**, and an agreement has been reached on the date, time, and venue of the Ministerial Conference. Work and budget plan and the roles and responsibilities of the RCA exhibition and other activities had been approved. In addition, the STF was tasked to refine the agenda of the Ministerial Conference. The Meeting also approved the STF to hold the 4th STF Meeting in either October or November 2021 to discuss the details on the issues pending from the GCM.

Consequently, the 4th Meeting of the STF for the 50th Anniversary of the RCA was held on 17th November 2021 via video conferencing. The Agenda of the Meeting is in **Annex 2**.

The Meeting had ten participants and observers comprising representatives from CPR, MAL, ROK, THA, VIE, RCARO, IAEA, and RCA PAC Chair. The meeting was chaired by the NR of THA, while VIE, RCARO and THA were appointed as rapporteurs. The List of Participants is included as **Annex 3**.

The main purpose of the meeting was to update on the preparation of the activities planned for the 50th Anniversary of the RCA, as well as to discuss and make decisions on the matters pending from the 50th RCA GCM.

THA, in its capacity as the Chair of the STF, opened the meeting and gave welcome remarks to the participants.

2. Update on the Preparation of the Ministerial Conference

VIE presented a progress on the preparation of the Ministerial Conference (MC). The Agenda of the MC was shortened to fit the timeframe of the event and to reflect the decision made at the 50th RCA GCM which was to hold the MC in the afternoon of the first day of the 66th IAEA General Conference, in 2022. The new agenda comprises activities 1) 50th RCA Anniversary Ceremony & Opening of the MC 2) Overview of the

RCA 3) Country Keynote Speech 4) Panel-Discussion and 5) Joint Declaration. The revised agenda is included as **Annex 4**. Along with that, VIE also presented a table of assignment of roles & responsibilities (**Annex 5**) for STF approval.

RCA PAC Chair suggested carefully selecting the experts for panel discussion to avoid the duplication of topics for discussion. He also suggested considering a back-up plan in case the MC is to be held in a complete virtual form depending on the pandemic situation at the time. Also, much consideration should be given to the endorser of the invitation letters since the ministers are to be invited to the MC.

The Meeting discussed the need to reserve the meeting facilities well in advance for holding the Ministerial Conference. SH-TCAP1 mentioned that the IAEA will provide full support for the preparation for the Ministerial Conference, including the reservation of the meeting room, the calculation of the estimated budget, and preparing for the publications.

In regard to the draft Ministerial Declaration, VIE recalled that it was presented to the 50th RCA GCM for consideration and NRs were asked to provide comments to the STF Chair within 3 weeks after the conclusion of the meeting. VIE presented a revised declaration consolidating the comments received from JPN and RCARO. The latest version of the draft Ministerial Declaration is included as **Annex 6**.

The Meeting took note of the work plan, the agenda, as well as the assignment of roles and responsibilities for the Ministerial Conference presented by VIE and agreed to circulate them to the NRs and concerning parties for their review and consideration. NRs will be asked to submit their comments to STF Chair within 2 weeks after receiving the circulated email.

The Meeting agreed on the need of involving experts to assist in finalizing the Ministerial Declaration and requested the IAEA to invite relevant experts in the process.

The Meeting took note that the issue on panel discussion will be further discussed in the next occasion.

3. Update on the Preparation of the RCA Exhibition and Other Activities

An update on the preparation of the RCA Exhibition and Other Activities was presented by RCARO. The presentation is included as **Annex 7**. RCARO presented detailed work plan for each activity – preparing for the exhibition and developing the anniversary video and website.

Candidate designs of the logo & slogan of the 50th Anniversary were presented to the STF for review and comments. Reflecting the comments by the STF, RCARO will send the final candidate designs to the STF, prior to the circulation to the RCA NRs (**Annex 8**).

<p>The Meeting took note of the progress made on the preparation of the RCA Exhibition and other activities, and agreed that the RCARO will circulate the candidate designs of the logo & slogan of the 50th Anniversary to the NRs for their review and prioritization.</p>

4. Discussion on Relevant Matters

A) Publication

The draft outline of publication for 50th Anniversary initially prepared by JPN was submitted to the 50th RCA GCM. NRs were asked to review the draft and send their comments to the STF chair within 3 weeks after the conclusion of the meeting, but there were no comments.

To ease the preparation process and to avoid the duplication of work, STF Chair proposed utilizing three publications already being prepared by the IAEA and RCA PAC Chair for the distribution at the celebration event, instead of developing a new publication with the proposed outline. The three publications include the History of RCA, Reports on the Social Economic Impact Assessment, and the Success Stories.

ROK expressed its willingness to support the digitalization of the publication contents and uploading them on the RCA Integrated Information System, currently being established by the RCARO.

The Meeting agreed to have three publications already being prepared by the IAEA and RCA PAC Chair for the anniversary occasion. These publications include 1) the History of RCA 2) the Report on Socio-Economic Impact Assessment and 3) Success Stories.

B) RCA Awards

STF Chair took the lead on the discussion on the RCA Awards which was raised since the 1st STF Meeting. The Chair proposed establishing the Committee to work on the concept as well as the criteria of the awards. RCA PAC Chair suggested the RCARO to participate as one of the members of the committee, and the IAEA recommended that the members should include the current and next RCA Chair. THA volunteered to take the lead on drafting of the award criteria. MAL offered it support to the committee as a member.

The Meeting agreed to establish a committee on the RCA Awards and the members would be THA, VIE, MAL and RCARO, supported by the IAEA and RCA PAC Chair as experts. THA will take the lead on drafting the award criteria.

5. Any Other Business

None

6. The Way Forward

The STF noted the necessity to further discuss the topics of panel discussion, and agreed to convene again before the 44th NRM.