

April 3, 2017

Invitation Letter

Dear Sir/ Madam,

On behalf of the World Council on Isotopes and the Organizing Committee, I am pleased to invite you to participate in the **9th International Conference on Isotopes (9ICI)**. The conference will be held from 12 to 16 November in Doha, the capital city of Qatar, a city has a lot to offer from history, culture and seaside relaxation to high tech and a glorious skyline.

Starting in 1995, the International Conference on Isotopes has provided a unique opportunity for researchers, isotope producers, isotope users, policy makers and the public to meet in a setting conducive to exchanging views and information on topics of mutual interest.

In line with previous conferences in this successful series, 9ICI will consist of both a conference and an exhibition by suppliers and key isotope role-players. Topics to be covered include production processes and technologies, a variety of applications of radioactive and stable isotopes, security of supply, safety and transportation, policy issues as well as complementary matters. The International Medical Physics Day will also be celebrated, coinciding with the 150th celebration of Marie Curie's birth.

Please refer to the attached information for more details. The detailed conference program will be sent to you at a later stage and posted on the official website (<http://www.9ici.org/>). Should you have further queries about the 9th International Conference on Isotopes, please address them to info@9ici.org.

We look forward to seeing you at this important event

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Van Zyl de Villiers'.

Van Zyl de Villiers
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■ Important dates

Abstract Submissions deadline:	5 June, 2017
Author Notifications completed:	17 July, 2017
Early Bird rate deadline:	20 July, 2017
Exhibition registration deadline:	1 August, 2017

■ About Qatar

Qatar brings together old world hospitality with cosmopolitan sophistication, the chance to enjoy a rich cultural tapestry, new experiences and adventures.

Doha is a world-class city in the making, with the peerless Museum of Islamic Art, perhaps the finest traditional souq in the Gulf region, and burgeoning arts and culinary scenes.

Qatar is the kind of place where you can learn about the ancient pursuit of falconry or watch camels ridden by remote-controlled robot jockeys race across the desert, admire traditional dhows bobbing on the water alongside one of the world's most spectacular modern skylines, or sample Doha's portfolio of sophisticated restaurants and then watch the sun set over sand dunes that seem to spring from an Arabian fairy tale.

■ Conference Topics

Isotope Production and Devices

Isotope Research and Applications

Isotopes in the Environment

Security of Supply, Safety, and Transportation

Quality Assurance and Quality Control

Policy, Economics, and Global Impact of Isotope Production and Use

Design, Construction, Operation and Decommissioning of Production Facilities