



Draft Work Plan for Preparation of the 50th RCA Anniversary

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1. Background



In preparation of the 50th RCA Anniversary;

- 41st RCA NRM (Mar. 2019, Sri Lanka) agreed to hold a RCA exhibition in 2022 to showcase the socio-economic impact of the RCA in the region over the past 50 years.
- 48th RCA GCM (Sept. 2019, IAEA) set up a Special Task Force (STF) and requested to propose a detailed work plan to prepare the 50th RCA Anniversary at the 42nd NRM for NRs' consideration.
 - * STF members : MAL, THA, VIE, CPR, JPN, ROK, IAEA, RCARO
- Kick off meeting of the STF was initially planned to be held on 24-28 Feb. 2020 in MAL., but, the meeting was postponed to 18-20 March prior to the 42nd NRM and replaced with online discussions as the 42nd NRM was also postponed due to the COVID-19 outbreak.
- As requested by the RCA FP, RCARO developed the first draft work plan to celebrate the 50th RCA Anniversary and submitted to the RCA Chair. After review by the STF members, the draft work plan has been submitted to the 42nd NRM for NR's consideration.

2. Major Programme for the 50th RCA Anniversary



- **RCA Exhibition**

- Under the theme, 'The RCA: 50 Years and Beyond', the special RCA exhibition is to be held to showcase its value and socio-economic impact to the region over the 50 years through the RCA Projects.

- **Ministerial Conference**

- A ministerial conference could be organised to facilitate high-level dialogue on the successful delivery of the RCA projects over the past 50 years and the future RCA vision including the RCA revitalization strategy.

- **Other Activities**

- Publications and RCA website
 - Publication of the socio-economic impact assessment results
 - Special site for the 50th RCA Anniversary on the RCARO website (www.rcaro.org)
- RCA Anniversary Video (including RCA project impact and future vision)
- Awards (e.g. Contribution Award)

2. Major Programme for the 50th RCA Anniversary



RCA Exhibition

- **Date and Venue** : 44th NRM (March /April 2022, VIE) and/or 65th IAEA GC (September 2022, IAEA)
- **Theme**: The RCA: 50 Years and Beyond
- **Exhibition plan**
 - Banners on RCA Programme (**Agriculture, Environment, Human Health, Industry**) and Overall RCA
 - 50th Anniversary logo and poster
 - Some representative sample or test products resulted from successful RCA projects
 - Other RCA promotional materials (**RCA brochures, success stories, souvenirs, etc.**)
 - Opening ceremony
- **Milestones**
 - Finalization of the banners and publication : **4Q 2021**
 - Collection of the RCA project sample products : **1Q 2022**
 - Production of RCA Anniversary Video: **1Q 2022**



Previous RCA Exhibitions

2. Major Programme for the 50th RCA Anniversary



Ministerial Conference

- **Date and Venue:** 1-2 days in conjunction with the 44th NRM (Mar. 2022, VIE) or 65th IAEA GC (Sept. 2022)
- **Ministerial Conference Plan**
 - Ministerial Segment
 - To facilitate high-level dialogue on the successful delivery of the RCA projects and its future vision including revitalization policy and strategy for sustainable development of the RCA
 - Participation: Minister level government officials from the RCA GPs
 - Output : Adopted Ministerial Declaration/Joint Statement

*A Senior Officers Meeting(SOM) could be held in conjunction with the 50th GCM in 2021 to discuss and review the draft ministerial declaration/joint statement and finalize arrangements of the ministerial conference.

- Panel Discussion/Technical Session
 - To review and discuss delivery of the past RCA programme and the way forward to the next 50 years
 - Participation: Senior level RCA experts and researchers
 - Scope: exchange of the strategic and technical perspectives on the delivery of the RCA programme, the enhancement of partnerships, development of the innovative flagship RCA projects, etc.
- **Milestones**
 - Invitation of the Ministers of the RCA GPs : **1Q 2021**
 - Finalization of the detail programme, participant list and logistics : **3Q 2021**
 - Finalization of the Ministerial Declaration : **4Q 2021**

3. Roles and Responsibilities



- For effective preparation and arrangements of this programme, the roles and responsibilities for each activity and event need to be clearly divided by relevant parties.

Proposed division of roles and responsibilities

Programme	Responsible parties
Ministerial Conference - Ministerial declaration/joint statement	Responsible parties: IAEA, VIE Cooperating parties: CPR, MAL, MTSC WG
RCA Exhibition - banners, logo & poster, RCA project outputs, opening, etc.	Responsible party: RCARO Cooperating parties: IAEA, RCA GPs
Other activities - Publications, RCA website - RCA Anniversary Video, Awards	Responsible party: RCARO Cooperating parties: IAEA, RCA GPs

4. STF Work Plan



Timeframe	Activities
Apr. 2020 (1 st STF meeting)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of the draft work plan for the 50th Anniversary of the RCA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement on the scope, roles and responsibilities and work plan of the STF
42nd NRM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consideration and approval of the work plan reported by the STF
Sept. 2020 (49 th GCM)	Progress report of the STF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - STF members' submission of the progress reports on the responsible activities to the Chair
Jan./Feb., 2021	<u>2nd meeting of the STF</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review and discuss the progress of implementation of the planned activities and 2021 work plan
Mar., Sept. 2021 (43 rd NRM, 50 th GCM)	Progress report of the STF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - STF members' submission of the progress reports on the responsible activities to the Chair

* 3rd meeting of the STF could be held in the 2Q 2021 between the 43rd NRM and 50th GCM subject to the discussion of the STF and approval of the NRs

5. Proposed Actions to the 42nd NRM



- It is recommended that the 42nd NRM review and approve the draft work plan for the 50th RCA Anniversary including roles and responsibilities and STF work plan.
- It is recommended that the responsible parties develop detailed work plan including resource mobilization in consultation with cooperating parties.
- It is recommended that the NRs identify ways/means to secure necessary funding for the preparation of the 50th RCA Anniversary.

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