



# **WORK PLAN FOR RCA MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE**

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## Preliminary Plan for the RCA Ministerial Conference

- **Date:** last March/ early April 2022 (in conjunction with 44<sup>th</sup> RCA NR Meeting)
- **Venue:** Hanoi, Viet Nam



Hanoi, Viet Nam



Melia Hanoi Hotel





## Preliminary Plan for the RCA Ministerial Conference

1<sup>st</sup> day

- Senior Officials Meeting (SOM)
- RCARO Standing Advisory Committee Meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> day

- 50<sup>th</sup> RCA Anniversary Ceremony
- RCA Ministerial Meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> day

- 44<sup>th</sup> RCA NR Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> day

- 44<sup>th</sup> RCA NR Meeting

5<sup>th</sup> day

- Technical visit/Sightseeing visit/Side events



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No	Event	Date	Venue	Participants	Tentative guests
1	<b>Senior Officials Meeting (SOM)</b>	01 day before the RCA Ministerial Meeting	Hanoi, Viet Nam	Representatives from IAEA, Permanent Mission of GPs, NRs	*50 foreign guests *10 Vietnamese participants
2	<b>RCA Ministerial Meeting</b>	01 day after the SOM	Hanoi, Viet Nam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Representatives from IAEA, Permanent Mission of GPs, other Agreements (AFRA, ARCAL, ARASIA)</li><li>- Minister, Deputy Minister and NRs from GPs</li></ul>	*110 foreign guests *20 Vietnamese participants



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3	<b>50<sup>th</sup> RCA Anniversary Ceremony</b> - Welcome Celebration - RCA Award (if any) - 50 <sup>th</sup> RCA Exhibition (Bookleat, Success Stories, poster of RCA socio-economic impact)	In conjunction with RCA Ministerial Meeting	Hanoi, Viet Nam	- Representatives from IAEA, Permanent Mission of GPs, other Agreements (AFRA, ARCAL, ARASIA) - Minister, Deputy Minister and NRs from GPs	*110 foreign guests; *40 Vietnamese participants



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4	<b>RCARO Standing Advisory Committee Meeting</b>	In conjunction with SOM Meeting	Hanoi, Viet Nam	Representatives from IAEA, RCA Chair, Immediate past RCA Chair, Immediate next RCA Chair	*12 foreign guests; *3 Vietnamese participants
5	<b>44<sup>th</sup> RCA NR Meeting</b>	2 days after RCA Ministerial Meeting	Hanoi, Viet Nam	Representatives from IAEA, Permanent Mission of GPs	*60 foreign guests; *10 Vietnamese participants
6	<b>Scientific visit/ Side events</b>	1 day	Hanoi, Viet Nam	NRs and other participants	*60 foreign guests; *10 Vietnamese participants



## Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting

Time	Activity
08:30 – 08:55	Registration
09:00 – 10:15	<p>50<sup>th</sup> RCA Anniversary Ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Welcome remarks;</li><li>- Commemorative photo;</li><li>- Visiting the RCA Exhibition booths: RCA Introduction video;</li><li>- Welcome show (if any);</li><li>- RCA awards ceremony (if any)</li><li>- Cocktail break</li></ul>





## Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting

Time	Activity
10:15-10:30	<i>Session 1: Opening Session</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Welcome remarks;</li><li>- Keynote speech (if any)</li></ul>
10:30 – 12:00	<i>Session 2: Looking back, looking ahead</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>+ To take stock of regional cooperation over the past five decades (Summary report of RCA socio-economic impact);</li><li>+ To consider how well the current approach responds to regional needs and how regional development approaches can be reformed</li></ul>
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch



## Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting

Time	Content
13:30 – 14:45	<p><i>Session 3: Policies &amp; strategies on nuclear technology applications for sustainable development</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>+ To review the role of nuclear technique applications in socio-economic development (in relation to national policies);</li><li>+ To acknowledge the success of implementing international and regional agreements on nuclear technology (RCA, AFRA, ARCAL, ARASIA) in achieving SDGs;</li><li>+ To consider innovations that could be integrated into the GPs' national strategies on nuclear S&amp;T technology applications;</li><li>+ To reach a stronger national commitment to the RCA.</li></ul>
14:45 - 15:00	Coffee break



## Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting

Time	Activity
15:00 – 16:30	<b><i>Session 4: Panel - Discussion</i></b> (Topic to be discussed)  + Challenges and opportunities to promote nuclear science and technology application in the period of post Covid-19 towards a stronger partnership of RCA
16:30 -17:30	<b><i>Session 5: The path forward</i></b>  + To adopt the outcome documents: Joint Statement/Declaration on New Approaches/Directions of RCA and/or RCA Vision 2030;  + To promote interaction among RCA projects (CRPs, IAEA Collaborating Centre and cooperation with international organizations).
17:30 – 18:00	<b><i>Session 6: Closing Session</i></b>



## Cost Estimation for RCA Ministerial Conference

- The minimum fund for RCA Ministerial Conference (including SOM, NR Meeting) would be approximately **US\$ 90,000** (not including the fund of **US\$ 30,000** for WG Meeting of Joint Declaration and exhibition products)
- [Update Feb 2021 Action plan for the 50th RCA Anniversary-Ministerial Conference.xlsx](#)
- The maximum fund to be covered by the host country is around **US\$ 40,000**
- A plan on mobilizing the rest fund from IAEA, GPs and other sources must be reviewed and decided in the 43<sup>rd</sup> NRM





## Recommendation of the host country

- The question “What and How to do” must be clarified by STF group and all GPs need to actively raise ideas and reach a strong consensus through email exchange and policy meetings.
- For the approval of the Vietnamese government on hosting the Ministerial Meeting, the action plan and budget details with sponsor sources must be clarified in the 43<sup>th</sup> NR Meeting.
- The IAEA is requested to send the official letter (HGA) to the Permanent Mission of Viet Nam on hosting the 50<sup>th</sup> RCA Anniversary events and share experiences on previous ministerial events hosted by the IAEA (*Draft HGA of 50<sup>th</sup> RCA Anniversary.docx*)



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- The RCARO is requested to consider celebrating an RCA exhibition (at small scale) in occasion of RCA Ministerial Meeting
- A working group on Joint Declaration must be set up to prepare for the content of the RCA Ministerial Meeting (*to be ratified in the 43<sup>rd</sup> NR Meeting*)
- SOM Meeting should be considered to be held in conjunction with RCA Ministerial Meeting upon the Covid-19 pandemic situation till Sep 2021.
- The venue of Ministerial Meeting shall be reconsidered in the 50<sup>th</sup> RCA GCM upon the Covid-19 epidemiological situation and vaccine updates worldwide.





**Thank you for your attention**