



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 44th RCA NR Meeting)
- **Venue:** Hanoi, Viet Nam



Hanoi, Viet Nam



Melia Hanoi Hotel



Preliminary Plan for the RCA Ministerial Conference

1st day

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

2nd day

- 50th RCA Anniversary Ceremony
- RCA Ministerial Meeting

3rd day

- 44th RCA NR Meeting

4th day

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5th day

- Technical visit/Sightseeing visit/Side events



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No	Event	Date	Venue	Participants	Tentative guests
1	Senior Officials Meeting (SOM)	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	RCA Ministerial Meeting	01 day after the SOM	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 *20 Vietnamese participants



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3	<p>50th RCA Anniversary Ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome Celebration - RCA Award (if any) - 50th RCA Exhibition (Bookleaft, Success Stories, poster of RCA socio-economic impact) 	In conjunction with RCA Ministerial Meeting	Hanoi, Viet Nam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representatives from IAEA, Permanent Mission of GPs, other Agreements (AFRA, ARCAL, ARASIA) - Minister, Deputy Minister and NRs from GPs 	<p>*110 foreign guests;</p> <p>*40 Vietnamese participants</p>



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4	RCARO Standing Advisory Committee Meeting	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	44th RCA NR Meeting	2 days after RCA Ministerial Meeting	Hanoi, Viet Nam	Representatives from IAEA, Permanent Mission of GPs	*60 foreign guests; *10 Vietnamese participants
6	Scientific visit/ Side events	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>50th RCA Anniversary Ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Welcome remarks;- Commemorative photo;- Visiting the RCA Exhibition booths: RCA Introduction video;- Welcome show (if any);- RCA awards ceremony (if any)- Cocktail break



Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting

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



Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting

Time	Content
13:30 – 14:45	<p><i>Session 3: Policies & strategies on nuclear technology applications for sustainable development</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ 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.
14:45 - 15:00	Coffee break



Tentative Agenda of RCA Ministerial Meeting

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



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 43rd 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 43thNR Meeting.
- The IAEA is requested to send the official letter (HGA) to the Permanent Mission of Viet Nam on hosting the 50th RCA Anniversary events and share experiences on previous ministerial events hosted by the IAEA (*Draft HGA of 50th 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 43rd 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 50th RCA GCM upon the Covid-19 epidemiological situation and vaccine updates worldwide.



Thank you for your attention