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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR A TRAINING WORKSHOP IN RUSSIAN
ON BEST PRACTICES TO DEVELOP THE RESPONSIBLE CARE® PROGRAMME
FOR THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY
TO BE HELD AT THE D. MENDELEEV UNIVERSITY
MOSCOW, RUSSIAN FEDERATION
14 – 18 MARCH 2016****Purpose of the training**

1. The Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) wishes to inform Member States that it will hold a training workshop in Russian on best practices to develop the Responsible Care® programme for the chemical industry, at the D. Mendeleev University of Chemical Technology of Russia (MUCTR) in Moscow, the Russian Federation, from 14 to 18 March 2016. The objective of the training workshop is to update environment health and safety managers, qualified technologists, and representatives of chemical industry associations from Russian-speaking Member States¹ (mainly from Eastern Europe and Central Asia) on the Responsible Care® programme and to raise awareness on a broader range of topics related to sustainability, safety, and security in chemical industries. Within the scope of the capacity-building programmes in peaceful applications of chemistry under Article XI of the Chemical Weapons Convention, the training workshop aims to enhance the national capacities of chemical industries in relevant Member States in the implementation of Responsible Care® and adoption of the principles of sustainability.

Content

2. The one-week training programme will include theoretical lectures (a) and practical and interactive sessions (b) to (d) on the following topics:
 - (a) Participants will be introduced to the general framework of the Responsible Care® initiative and to the work of European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC), the International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA), and the OPCW in the promotion of safe and sustainable practices for chemical industries, as well as to the United Nations Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM). They will also receive theoretical knowledge on the concept of sustainability and sustainable development

¹ Countries where Russian is an official language or is spoken by a significant portion of the population.



goals. Various elements of Responsible Care® will be addressed, including product stewardship, environmental protection and environmental technologies, labelling of chemicals, integrated systems for chemical safety and security management, occupational medicine, and health protection. Case studies will be presented on the implementation of Responsible Care® in the Russian Federation and internationally. The topics of dual use and ethical issues in chemistry will be also included in the theoretical programme.

- (b) Two simulation exercises are planned, namely: “The Price of Oil” (role-playing game for setting up a consensus between players and the development of mutually beneficial strategies); and “The Lake” (business game simulating the operation of chemical plants that discharge waste water, which demonstrates the benefits of cooperation and environmental protection).
 - (c) Construction of the “Pyramid” for sustainable development planning. The Pyramid is an interactive method that includes the elements of training, planning, and decision making. The objective is to identify priorities for action, taking into account environmental, economic, and social factors, as well as the interests of stakeholders.
 - (d) The programme includes discussion of the results of the aforementioned simulation games and of the Pyramid. Participants will also be encouraged to present case studies and issues from their enterprises that are relevant to the Responsible Care® objectives.
3. The training workshop will accommodate a maximum of 20 participants from Member States, who will be selected based on their qualifications and experience.

Sponsorship

- 4. The cost of training for all participants will be covered by the Secretariat.
- 5. Twelve selected participants will receive sponsorship from the Secretariat, which will cover international travel, medical and travel insurance, and a daily allowance.

Admission requirements

6. The training workshop is open to those who:
- (a) have a minimum of a first degree (B.Sc. or equivalent) in chemical or environmental sciences or engineering from a recognised university or institution;
 - (b) are citizens of Member States that are developing countries or countries with economies in transition and where Russian is an official language or is spoken by a significant portion of the population; and
 - (c) have been working in the chemical industry for at least five years, preferably in a field related to environmental protection, health, safety, and security.

7. The training workshop will be conducted in Russian. Candidates must therefore have a strong command of both written and spoken Russian.
8. Female candidates are encouraged to apply.

Selection procedure

9. Applications will be carefully screened on the basis of the criteria specified in paragraphs 6 and 7 above. The Secretariat may decide to interview applicants. Only successful candidates will be contacted for admission, no later than 15 February 2016.

Application procedure

10. Interested candidates are invited to apply for participation in the training workshop by filling out, in English, the form that is annexed to this Note. It should then be submitted to the Secretariat, via the National Authority or the Permanent Representation of their country to the OPCW, **no later than 10 February 2016**. The application should be sent to the Director, International Cooperation and Assistance Division, OPCW, Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, the Netherlands or by e-mail to **icb@opcw.org**. In this case, the subject line of the email should contain the words "Responsible Care training at MUCTR, 2016".
11. The application form must be accompanied by the following:
 - (a) a curriculum vitae;
 - (b) a one-page description of the candidate's practical experience;
 - (c) a letter of recommendation from the supervisor of the candidate in his or her institution that addresses the candidate's qualifications in the light of paragraph 6 above, and attests to the relevance of the training to the work of the institution; and
 - (d) endorsement from the National Authority or the Permanent Representation.
12. Incomplete or improperly filled-out applications cannot be considered.
13. Additional information about this programme may be obtained from Mr Sergey Zinoviev, Senior International Cooperation Officer, Ms Julia Gonzalez, Senior Project Clerk of the International Cooperation Branch, and from Ms Anna Makarova, Lead Researcher of the MUCTR. The contact details are as follows:

Tel.: +31 (0)70 416 3611 (Mr Zinoviev)

Tel.: +31 (0)70 416 3239 (Ms Gonzalez)

Tel.: +7 910 459 2664 (Ms Makarova)

Email: icb@opcw.org (Mr Zinoviev and Ms Gonzalez)

Email: annmakarova@mail.ru (Ms Makarova)

Annex (English only): Application Form

Annex**RESPONSIBLE CARE® TRAINING WORKSHOP 2016
APPLICATION FORM****Please type or use BLOCK LETTERS**

1. Before completing this form, applicants should read the guidelines presented in the cover Note to confirm their eligibility.
2. Applicants should complete sections 1 to 4, attach the documents listed in section 5, and sign the form at section 6. The form should then be sent to either their National Authority or the Permanent Representation of their country to the OPCW in The Hague, with a request to complete section 7.
3. The National Authority or the Permanent Representation should complete section 7 and forward the form to the International Cooperation and Assistance Division, OPCW, Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, the Netherlands, so that it is received **no later than 10 February 2016**.

SECTION 1. PERSONAL AND CONTACT DETAILS			
Family name of nominee*			
First name(s)*			
Work address			
Home address			
Date of birth	Day	Month	Year
Citizenship			
Gender**	Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>	
Passport number			
Date of issue	Day	Month	Year
Expiry date	Day	Month	Year
Place of issue			
Email address			
Telephone numbers, including country and city codes	Home		
	Work		
	Mobile		
Fax numbers, including country and city codes	Home		
	Work		

* Please give the first and family names in Latin letters exactly as they appear in the nominee's passport.

** For this and all like items, please tick the appropriate box.

SECTION 5. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Please attach the following documents to your application:

a letter of recommendation from your supervisor, which confirms your qualifications in light of paragraph 6 of the Note to which this form is annexed, and that attests to the relevance of this training to the work of the institution at which you are working;

(a) an updated curriculum vitae;

(b) a one-page description of your practical experience; and

(c) a photocopy of the personal identification pages of your passport.

Applications without full supporting documentation cannot be accepted.

SECTION 6. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SECTION 7. RECOMMENDATION FROM THE NATIONAL AUTHORITY OR THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION

Signature, with seal or stamp, of an authorised representative of the National Authority or of the Permanent Representation to the OPCW

Date: _____