

**NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT****CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR A TRAINING WORKSHOP  
IN RUSSIAN ON BEST PRACTICES FOR DEVELOPING  
THE RESPONSIBLE CARE® PROGRAMME FOR THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY  
MOSCOW, RUSSIAN FEDERATION  
16 – 20 DECEMBER 2019****Purpose of the training workshop**

1. The Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) wishes to inform Member States that it will hold a training workshop in Russian on best practices for developing the Responsible Care® programme for the chemical industry. The workshop, originally planned to take place in Moscow, the Russian Federation, from 14 to 18 October 2019 (see Note S/1749/2019, dated 9 May 2019), has been postponed for technical reasons and will now be held from 16 to 20 December 2019 at the same location. The workshop will be organised in cooperation with the Russian Chemists Union (RCU) and the D. Mendeleev University of Chemical Technology of Russia (MUCTR), with support from the International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA) and the National Authority of the Russian Federation.
2. The objective of the training workshop is to provide an update on the Responsible Care® programme to environmental health and safety managers, qualified technologists, and representatives of chemical industry associations and governmental organisations from Russian-speaking Member States,<sup>1</sup> 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 will aim to enhance the national capacities of chemical industries in relevant Member States in the implementation of Responsible Care® and the adoption of the principles of sustainability.

**Content**

3. The one-week training programme will include theoretical lectures (see (a) below) and practical and interactive sessions (see (b) to (d) below), as follows:

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



- (a) Participants will be introduced to the general framework of the Responsible Care<sup>®</sup> initiative and to the work of European Chemical Industry Council, 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. They will also receive theoretical knowledge on the concept of sustainability and sustainable development goals. Various elements of Responsible Care<sup>®</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> 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) A simulation exercise entitled “The Lake”: this is an interactive 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: this is an interactive method which includes the elements of 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) Dedicated sessions to discuss the results of “The Lake” simulation game and the “Pyramid” method, as well as the needs, challenges, potential, and advantages of adopting the Responsible Care<sup>®</sup> programme in the Member States concerned. Participants will also be encouraged to present case studies and issues from their organisations that are relevant to the Responsible Care<sup>®</sup> objectives.
4. The training workshop will accommodate a maximum of 20 participants from the relevant Member States, who will be selected based on their qualifications and experience.

### **Sponsorship**

5. The cost of training for all participants will be covered by the Secretariat.
6. Twelve participants will be selected to receive sponsorship, which will cover international travel, emergency medical and travel insurance, and a daily subsistence allowance. Sponsorship for additional participants from partner organisations may be announced at a later date.

### **Admission requirements**

7. The training workshop is open to those who:
  - (a) have a minimum of a first degree (BSc or equivalent) in chemical or environmental sciences or engineering from a recognised university or

institution (or a degree in other fields accompanied by at least five years of qualifying experience, as referred to in subparagraph (c) below);

- (b) are citizens of Member States with developing economies or economies in transition<sup>2</sup> and in which Russian is an official language or is spoken by a significant portion of the population; and
  - (c) have been working in the chemical industry or in organisations that coordinate the work of the chemical industry for at least five years, preferably in a field related to environmental protection, health, safety, and security.
8. The training workshop will be conducted in Russian. Candidates must therefore have a strong command of both written and spoken Russian.
9. Female candidates are encouraged to apply.

### **Selection procedure**

10. Applications will be carefully screened on the basis of the criteria specified in paragraphs 7 and 8 above. The Secretariat may decide to interview applicants. Only successful candidates will be contacted for admission, **no later than 2 December 2019**.

### **Application procedure**

11. 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,<sup>3</sup> **no later than 12 November 2019**.
12. Nominations already submitted in accordance with the previous note (S/1749/2019) remain valid and need not be resubmitted. Both applications received previously and those submitted by the new deadline will be evaluated by the Secretariat together and on an equal basis.
13. Application forms (see the Annex to this Note) should be sent to the Director, International Cooperation and Assistance Division, OPCW, Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, the Netherlands via email to [icb@opcw.org](mailto:icb@opcw.org) with the subject line of the email containing the words “Responsible Care Training Workshop, 2019”.

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<sup>2</sup> Countries appearing on the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development’s Development Assistance Committee list of official development assistance recipients are eligible to nominate participants. The list is available at: [http://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/DAC\\_List\\_ODA\\_Recipients2018to2020\\_flows\\_En.pdf](http://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/DAC_List_ODA_Recipients2018to2020_flows_En.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> Applicants are advised to use the contact information available in the links below to approach their country’s National Authority (<https://www.opcw.org/documents/2018/10/contact-information-opcw-national-authorities>) or Permanent Representation (<https://www.opcw.org/documents/2018/10/contact-information-opcw-permanent-representatives>).

14. Eligible applicants are also invited to complete the online application through Eventus—the OPCW event management system (<https://apps.opcw.org/eventus>). They must first create an account and then register for the event.
15. Application forms must be accompanied by:
  - (a) an updated curriculum vitae;
  - (b) 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 7 above, and attests to the relevance of the training to the work of the institution;
  - (c) a copy of the personal identification pages of the candidate’s passport; and
  - (d) an endorsement from the National Authority or Permanent Representation of the candidate’s country to the OPCW (Section 7 of the application form).
16. Incomplete or improperly filled-out applications cannot be considered.
17. Additional information about this training opportunity may be obtained from Mr Sergey Zinoviev, Senior International Cooperation Officer at the OPCW (Tel: +31 (0)70 416 3611; Email: [icb@opcw.org](mailto:icb@opcw.org)), Mr Oleg Prozherin, Adviser at the RCU (Tel.: +7 903 129 8281; Email: [prozherin@yandex.ru](mailto:prozherin@yandex.ru)), and from Ms Anna Makarova, Lead Researcher at the MUCTR (Tel.: +7 910 459 2664; Email: [annmakarova@mail.ru](mailto:annmakarova@mail.ru)).

Annex (English only): Responsible Care<sup>®</sup> Training Workshop 2019 – Application Form

## Annex

**RESPONSIBLE CARE® TRAINING WORKSHOP 2019  
APPLICATION FORM**

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 12 November 2019**.

**Please type or use BLOCK LETTERS**

<b>SECTION 1. PERSONAL AND CONTACT DETAILS</b>			
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
Date of expiry	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 script exactly as they appear in the nominee's passport.

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





