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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE REVIEW OF THE INDICATIVE
GUIDELINES FOR TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS BY ROAD
AND FOR PARTICIPATION IN AN ONLINE REVIEW WORKSHOP****BACKGROUND**

1. The Technical Secretariat of the OPCW (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) wishes to invite Member States to submit nominations for the review of the draft version of the “Indicative Guidelines for Transportation of Hazardous Chemicals by Road”.
2. The draft of the indicative guidelines is an outcome of the OPCW’s Chemical Safety and Security Tools Development Programme, aimed at developing useful tools and guidelines to support Member States in chemical safety and security management. In the first phase of the programme, the Secretariat in 2021 released the “Indicative Guidelines for Chemical Safety and Security in Small and Medium-sized Enterprises to Foster the Peaceful Uses of Chemistry”.
3. In the second phase, the Secretariat continued to provide platforms for a group of experts to develop indicative guidelines on the topic of transportation of hazardous chemicals by road. In order to prepare the draft version of the indicative guidelines, a series of online discussions and two expert group meetings were held. At the first meeting in Wuppertal, Germany in 2022, an agreement was reached on the approach and core structure for the guidelines, while at the second meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2023, the contents of the guidelines were determined, their sequence was harmonised, and their overall goal, target audience, and reference documents were fine-tuned.
4. This call for nominations provides an opportunity for interested Member States to review, through their nominated experts, the draft version of the “Indicative Guidelines for Transportation of Hazardous Chemicals by Road”, and to share their inputs and best practices. The collected inputs will be reviewed and incorporated, as appropriate, for discussion during an online review workshop scheduled for 13 November 2023.

REVIEW PROCESS

5. The Secretariat will communicate individually with the reviewers selected for this process in order to share the draft version of the guidelines. The reviewers will be given two weeks to review the guidelines, provide substantive comments and suggestions, and share best practices from their Member States regarding the road transport of



hazardous chemicals. The review process and the provision of inputs must be conducted in a certain format, which will be detailed in separate communication. The reviewers will then be invited for an online review workshop on 13 November 2023, during which suggested inputs will be discussed further.

NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

6. For the purpose of reviewing the “Indicative Guidelines for Transportation of Hazardous Chemicals by Road”, Member States may nominate professionals who:
 - (a) are citizens of OPCW Member States;
 - (b) have a minimum of a first degree (BSc or equivalent) in chemistry, chemical engineering, logistics, administration, or related disciplines from a recognised university or institution;
 - (c) have professional working experience in one of the following areas:
 - (i) transportation of hazardous chemicals by road as regulators or policy makers;
 - (ii) chemical supply chain management/chemical safety and security management;
 - (iii) logistics/transportation of dangerous goods; or
 - (iv) other relevant fields; and
 - (d) have expertise in the transportation of hazardous chemicals by road and/or in chemical safety and security management.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

7. Applications will be carefully considered in line with the criteria specified in paragraph 6 above. While each Member State may submit up to two nominations, selections will be limited to one reviewer per Member State. Nominations from female candidates are strongly encouraged.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

8. Interested candidates are invited to submit their applications through Eventus—the OPCW event management system (<https://apps.opcw.org/eventus>). Applicants must first create an account and then register for the event.
9. Only nominations endorsed by the National Authority or Permanent Representation of the candidate’s country to the OCPW will be considered. Nominations may be endorsed digitally in the Eventus system.
10. To be considered, candidates must upload during the online registration process a scan of the personal identification pages of their passport as well as an up-to-date curriculum vitae, which must indicate their practical and work experience. **Only selected candidates will be notified by the Secretariat.**

11. Applications must be submitted to the Secretariat **no later than Wednesday, 18 October 2023**. Additional information may be obtained from the International Cooperation Branch of the International Cooperation and Assistance Division of the Secretariat. The contact persons are Mr Taeon Kim, Programme Officer (Email: taeon.kim@opcw.org) and Ms Aureliarita Marcellus (Email: aureliarita.marcellus@opcw.org).

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