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FNRBA Networking Development

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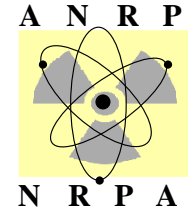
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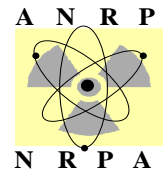
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INTRODUCTION



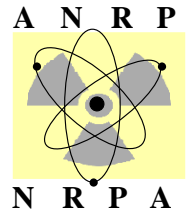
March 2009: Creation of the Forum of Nuclear Regulatory Bodies in Africa (FNRBA)

The objectives of FNRBA are to:

- Provide a platform for fostering regional cooperation;
- Provide for the exchange of expertise, information and experience;
- Provide opportunity for mutual support and coordination of regional initiatives; and
- Leverage the development and optimisation of resource utilization.



FNRBA Networking Strategy

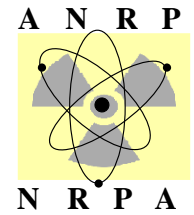


December 2009: FNRBA Strategic Plan 2009-2014 Established, with

- **Goal 4: To create an opportunity for mutual support and coordination of regional initiatives by leveraging the development and utilization of regional and international resources and expertise.**
 - » activate networking of nuclear regulatory bodies at sub-regional level
 - » establish and implement mechanisms for cooperation among members



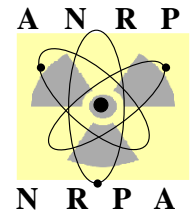
Purpose of FNRBA Website



1. Platform for Information Exchange Among Members
2. Knowledge Portal for the Forum;
 - Database of Experts
 - Position and Discussion Papers
 - General Information
3. Communication Platform with External Parties



FNRBA Website Hosting



Steering Committee meeting in Vienna, September 2009:

- - Nigeria offered to host the FNRBA website for one (1) year with South Africa offering to take over thereafter;

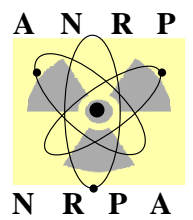
Plenary meeting in Nairobi, May 2010:

- First draft of FNRBA website proposed by Nigeria Nuclear Regulatory Authority;
- South Africa offered to take over the role as permanent host of the website; need for formal agreement between FNRBA and host institution.

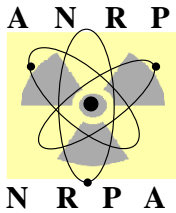


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FNRBA Website Development



- **FNRBA plenary meeting in Bamako, March 2011:** Nigeria formally handed over the hosting of the FNRBA website to South Africa;
- **FNRBA Steering Committee in Vienna, September 2011:**
Based on earlier requests, financial support was provided by KINS on the development of the draft website of the Forum and an agreement to support the activities of the Forum by the IAEA/GNSSN;
Planning meeting in Vienna, December 2011
Action plan drawn for 2012, including website development by IAEA/GNSSN, and Steering Committee requested to notify these developments to the 2012 Plenary Meeting.
- **FNRBA Plenary Meeting in Yaoundé, March 2012:**
Approval of action plan for 2012.



FNRBA Website: Action Plan for 2012

Objectives

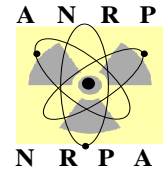
- 1. An advanced IT platform to facilitate the information and knowledge exchange and sharing established;
- 2. An opportunity for face-to-face platforms (Human network) created.

Activities

- Restoration of the FNRBA website to be hosted by the IAEA/GNSSN (Done);
- Training workshop of IT Personnel (3, selected from Africa) that manage the FNRBA website (Done);
- Training workshop of FNRBA Thematic Working Group Co-ordinators (Done).



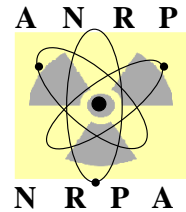
FNRBA Expectations



- **Approved website management policy:**
 - Technical management of the website;
 - Nature of documents and procedures to follow for uploading and archiving documents and information ;
 - Access control;
 - Issues relating to advertising;
 - Compatibility and conectibility between FNRBA website and website of individual Member regulatory Body;
 - Sustainability.



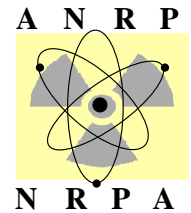
FNRBA Expectations (Cont.)



- Platform for thematic discussions:
 - Interactive capabilities;
 - Thematic discussion forum;
 - Sharing nuclear and radiation related information and knowledge;
- Search engine capabilities:
 - link with international data bases
- E-learning capabilities:
 - increase the number of skilled people in member states.

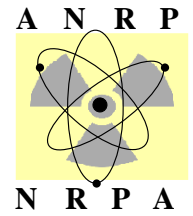


CONCLUSION



FNRBA website :

- To support Networking as effective way for less experienced persons to rapidly improve their knowledge and benefit, through feedback, from the greater or wider experience of others.
- To be a very effective instrument for involving national and international parties and increasing their willingness to accept responsibility for the efficient management of radiation safety and security.



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