Administrative information

7 – 8 September 2016 Date:

Meeting Venue: Prague Congress Centre

Registration: to send the registration form (www.joprad.eu)

via email JOPRAD-MTW@joprad.eu

Meeting fees: free of charge (an advance registration required)

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Important dates

Registration Open and Preliminary programme Second announcement and full programme

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Registration dead line

1st April 2016

31st May 2016

Link to Registration page

www.joprad.eu/news-events/events/

oprad-mid-term-workshop.html

31st July 2016

Workshop Agenda

7th September 2016: 9:00 - 17:30

Registration: 9:00 – 9:30

Session 1: Context and objectives of Joint Programming (presentations)

Session 2: Joint Programming – the way it could be implemented (presentations)

8th September 2016: 9:00 - 15:00

Session 3: How the priorities have been identified and how the

programme will be established (presentations)

Session 4: Way ahead (discussion)

Session 5: Conclusion - Decision on the way forward (discussion)

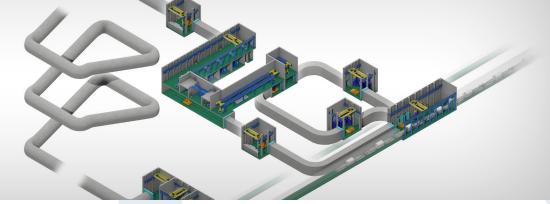




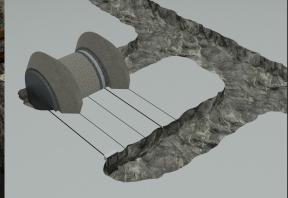
Mid-Term Workshop

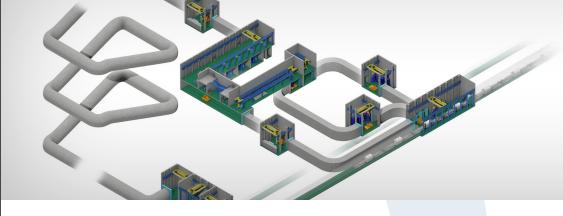
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Overall aim of JOPRAD project

The overall aims of the JOPRAD project (Coordination and Support Action "Towards a Joint Programming on Radioactive Waste Disposal") are to assess the feasibility and, if appropriate, generate a proposal for Joint Programming in the field of Radioactive Waste Management, including geological disposal.

Joint Programming includes Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) activities, with the accompanying Knowledge Management Programme and its "horizontal activities", namely establishing a state-of-the-knowledge handbook coupled with education, training, strategic studies, guidance, transfer of knowledge to less advanced programmes, as well as dissemination.

The main outcomes of the JOPRAD project will be a set of documents addressing RD&D key priorities of nationally mandated actors, including waste management organisations (WMOs), technical support organisations (TSOs), and research entities (REs). In addition, it will comprise a programme for knowledge management, including the above listed horizontal activities, as well as a proposal for governance and financing structure for the implementation of a Joint Programme.

Aim of the Mid-Term Workshop

The Mid-Term Workshop will enable "programme owners" and "programme managers" in EU Member-States (MS) to evaluate the feasibility and the added-value of the implementation of Joint Programming at European level. The programme owners (i.e. ministries,

national/regional authorities) are responsible for the implementation requirements of the Waste Directive 2011/70/Euratom in their respective countries. As part of their responsibility, they should provide a formal mandate to the organisations that will be in charge of carrying out RD&D in relation to Radioactive Waste Management.

The "Vision for Joint Programming" i.e. the rationale (including benefits and challenges), the strategy and the technical common priorities will be presented at the Workshop. It will also outline the contractual instruments as well as governance rules and the possible financing schemes.

In addition, it is also intended for Civil Society stakeholders to include their interests and determine how they can be involved in the different activities, as well as participation in the Governance.

The Mid-Term Workshop represents a key milestone towards setting up Joint Programming. It is scheduled 15 months (halfway) into the JOPRAD project.

The Workshop will therefore provide a forum for discussion amongst the decision-makers of national research programmes across MS and the European Commission on the different options for jointly establishing and implementing a Joint Programme.

The outcome of the Workshop is to reach a common vision on the way forward to prepare and implement Joint Programming between MS at European level.

The "Vision for Joint Programming"

The "Vision for Joint Programming" is the result of the work of the 6 working groups within JOPRAD that are responsible for preparing the technical and organisational background

for a common programme between all actors.

After presentation of this "Vision for Joint Programming", the programme owners, programme managers, the European Commission (EC) and other meeting participants will be invited to express their preliminary position on Joint Programming and evaluate if their needs are adequately covered.

In view of the potential inclusion of a topic in a future Euratom call, the JOPRAD Project will then finalize the RD&D and Knowledge Management work programmes, as well as the proposals for a possible governance and legal scheme.

This will be presented at the Final Workshop of the JOPRAD project in November 2017.

Targeted audience

The Mid-Term Workshop is intended primarily for:

- Ministries, national/regional authorities (programme owners)
- Waste Management Organisations, Technical Support Organisations and Research Entities (programme managers) concerned with national research programmes and RD&D activities on radioactive waste management, including geological disposal.
- Finally, the Workshop is also intended for Civil Society stakeholders.