

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR DATA COMMITTEE

FUNCTIONS

1. The International Nuclear Data Committee (INDC) will advise the Agency on its programmatic activities in the field of nuclear data for applications. In particular, it will:
 - (a) provide feedback on current activities in the Agency's subprogramme on Nuclear and Atomic Data ("the subprogramme") in order to ensure that the important data needs of Member States are being met;
 - (b) make specific recommendations regarding future programmatic activities of the Agency in this field and for the efficient and effective implementation of those activities; and
 - (c) facilitate the exchange of information on nuclear data programmes in Member States.

MEMBERSHIP

2. Members of the INDC will be appointed by the Deputy Director General responsible for the subprogramme, in consultation with their Governments, for an initial term of 4 years, which can be renewed up to a maximum of 12 years.
3. The INDC will include a maximum of 15 members, each selected from a Member State which maintains a major nuclear data programme, which provides particular technical expertise, or which offers a needed regional perspective.
4. Each member of the Committee will be a senior expert in the field of nuclear data having broad responsibilities for the direction of nuclear data programmes or widely recognized for accomplishments in this field.
5. Each member of INDC will be requested to serve on the Committee in his personal capacity and will not represent his or her Government.

CHAIRMAN

6. The Chairman of INDC will be selected from Committee members, after consultations, and appointed by the Deputy Director General responsible for the subprogramme.

SECRETARIAT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

7. The Agency Secretariat will provide administrative support for INDC meetings. A member of the Agency's Secretariat will also serve as Scientific Secretary of the INDC, to assist the INDC in its work and to facilitate communications between the Committee and the Secretariat.

METHODS OF WORK

8. The Committee will determine its own methods of work.
9. The Committee will consider issues submitted by the Deputy Director General responsible for the subprogramme, and by its members.
10. Observers from Member States or other international organizations may be invited by the Deputy Director General responsible for the subprogramme to attend INDC meetings, or particular sessions during such meetings.
11. The Deputy Director General responsible for the subprogramme and representatives nominated by him will be entitled to participate in the meetings of INDC.
12. The INDC will record its recommendations in a biennial report submitted to the Deputy Director General responsible for the subprogramme.

MEETINGS

13. The INDC will meet, normally in Vienna, at intervals of at least once every 2 years, with each meeting lasting up to 5 working days. Meetings will be conducted in English.
14. Members may be accompanied to INDC meetings by advisors.
15. All travel costs associated with the participation in INDC meetings of members, advisors and observers are expected to be borne by the respective sponsoring organizations. However, where possible, support will be provided by the Agency for the participation of all INDC members excluding advisors and observers.

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