

Projects Description *for* ARASIA TC Programme TC Cycle 2014-2015



Project Number: RAS/0/067

Project Title: Enhancing the Management the Cooperative Agreement and its Technical Cooperation Programme

Overall objective: To enhance the regional ownership of the ARASIA technical cooperation programme through support of ARASIA management and coordination activities.

Project duration: 2 years

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Regional gap / Problem / Need analysis: ARASIA Cooperative Agreement was established in 2002 and thus relatively young compared to the other sisters agreements under the auspices of the IAEA. ARASIA has its own Secretariat that is mandated to perform all the operational issues related to the Agreement and its programmes. The Board of Representatives, the body governs the Agreement and its issues, needs to be supported in order to strengthen the management and the ownership of the Agreement and its programme. The Board of Representative in its meeting of 2012 in Beirut, Lebanon, formed a Committee from among the Board of Representative to revise the ARASIA Guidelines and Operating Rules as first step to towards the improvement of the management of the Agreement and strengthening the performance of its Secretariat. The ARASIA Strategic and programme related documents need to be thoroughly reviewed and revised as appropriate in a such a way that it address issues related to the visions, strategic directions and management of the ARASIA TC programme, and to also identify appropriate actions at the policy and operational level. Therefore; this project is expected to contribute to the enhancement of the ownership of the management of ARASIA TC programme.

This project is proposed as a regional activity for the following reason(s): The project addresses the regional cooperative agreement.

Stakeholder analysis and partnership: The project addresses issues related to the management of the Agreement and its TC programme.

Role of nuclear technology: This project will contribute to strengthening the Agreement's on-going and future TC programmes.