



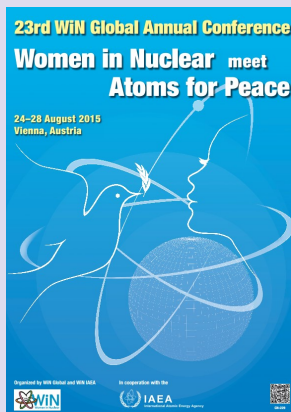
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WiN Global Conference 2015

Side Events, 24-28 August 2015

Technical Visit to Zwentendorf Nuclear Power Plant

Monday 24 August 2015, 4 tours on offer: 08:30–13:55, 10:45–16:00, 13:00–18:15, 15:30–20:45

Zwentendorf NPP is the only reactor in the world that was completely built, but mothballed by a referendum before it was ever put into operation. During the tour, visitors will have the unique opportunity to see the reactor internals, no longer possible once a reactor is operational.

Buffet Dinner at Viennese Heurigen “Martin Sepp”, Grinzing

Monday 24 August 2015, 19:00–23:00

Discover regional food specialties in a *Heuriger*, a typical wine tavern nestling at the foot of the vineyards. It is located in the historical village of Grinzing, at the edge of the Vienna Woods.

Conference Gala Dinner in the Festive Ballroom of the Vienna City Hall

Wednesday 26 August 2015, 18:30-23:30

The Gala Dinner will be held in one of the most exclusive and spectacular venues in the city, the magnificent ballroom of Vienna's neo-gothic City Hall. A delicious four-course menu will be accompanied by a unique musical programme, including one of Europe's top brass ensembles playing famous waltzes and marches, and dancers from a renowned dancing school which trains the debutantes for Vienna's grand balls.



Technical Visit to the IAEA's Seibersdorf Laboratories and Nuclear Engineering Seibersdorf

Friday 28 August 2015, 09:00–15:00

The IAEA's Seibersdorf Laboratories, situated about 35 km southeast of Vienna, contribute to the IAEA's programmes of nuclear verification and nuclear applications. Nuclear Engineering Seibersdorf is the Austrian organization for radioactive waste management.

Technical Visit to MedAustron Ion Beam Therapy Centre, Wiener Neustadt

Friday 28 August 2015, 09:00–14:00

MedAustron, located about 50 km south of Vienna, it is one of the most advanced centres for ion beam therapy and research in Europe. Ion beam therapy is an innovative form of radiotherapy using protons and carbon ions, enabling the reduction of radiation exposure to surrounding healthy tissue.

Technical Visit to the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Preparatory Commission (CTBTO)

Friday 28 August 2015, 10:00–11:00

The CTBTO Prep Com, located in the VIC, was established by the States that signed the CTBT in 1996. Its twofold purpose is to promote the entry of the CTBT, which bans all nuclear explosions, into force and to establish a global verification regime to ensure that all nuclear tests are detected.

Technical Visit to IAEA Incident and Emergency Centre (IEC)

Friday 28 August 2015, 09:30–10:30 or 10:45–11:45

The IEC is the IAEA's focal point for responding to nuclear or radiological incidents and emergencies and for promoting improvement in Member States' emergency response and preparedness. Visitors will learn about the IEC's activities, infrastructure and communication procedures.

Technical Visit to the TRIGA Mark II Reactor of the Atominstitut, Technical University of Vienna

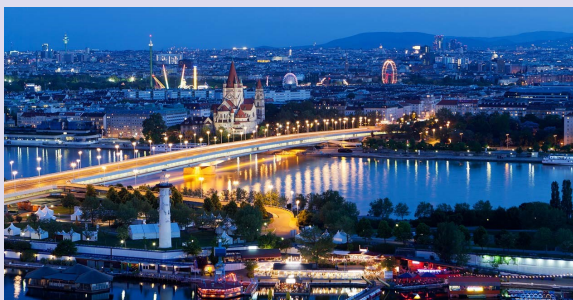
Friday 28 August 2015, 13:00–15:00

The TRIGA Mark-II reactor, installed by General Atomic (San Diego, California, USA) 1959–1962 in the Prater, Vienna, is purely a research reactor of the swimming-pool type. It is used for training, research and isotope production.

Vienna City Walk, including Visit to Spanish Riding School

Friday 28 August 2015, 09:00–11:30

The Spanish Riding School in Vienna is unique, cultivating dressage in the Renaissance tradition of the *haute école* for nearly 450 years. Visitors will attend morning training of the beautiful Lipizzaner horses in the *ménage* of the Imperial Palace and then take a guided walk through central Vienna.



Technical Visit to the Atom Museum (Czech Republic)

Friday 28 August 2015, 07:00–22:00

The Atom Muzeum Javor 51 is a former Soviet facility for storing nuclear warheads during the Cold War and is the only nuclear weapon storehouse that has become a museum. Visitors will have the option to combine this trip with a visit to Prague.

Registration and Events Details at: <http://ow.ly/MN9p5>

WiN IAEA Workshop

Moving Toward Self-Appreciation for Improving Interpersonal Relations and Team Work

14 April 2015

‘Start with the person in the mirror’, was the main message emphasized by Tessie George during the workshop on ‘Moving toward self-appreciation for improving interpersonal relations and team work’ held on 14 April 2015 at the VIC.

Tessie, a Scientific Officer at the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre in Mumbai, inspired the WiNners with an interactive presentation on the secret ingredient for gratifying interpersonal relations and developing a quality workplace: self-acceptance.

The discussion stressed that the root cause of struggling relations can often be attributed to a simple trick of the human mind: we tend to hide aspects of who we are that we find unacceptable and then project the frustration we feel onto others. Accepting our weaknesses and learning to love ourselves can help us to build a deeper confidence and develop better-balanced relationships where understanding comes and judgement fades.

With hearts in hand, the WiNners went through a series of team exercises to acknowledge each other's inner selves, qualities and uniqueness — to discover the wonderful women we are!



46th Annual Meeting on Nuclear Technology (AMNT 2015)

Berlin 5—7 May 2015



Gabi Voigt from WiN IAEA and her colleague Natalia Semiochkina from WiN Germany (both founders of Radiation Environment Management Consulting r.e.m.), participated in the annual meeting of the German Gesellschaft für Reaktorsicherheit in Berlin. WiN Germany traditionally is hosting a booth during the exhibition and was again represented at this annual conference. WiN Germany invited to a WiN luncheon at the conference facility. It was a good opportunity to liaise with WiN Germany members and to discuss common topics of interest. WiN Germany intends to be strongly represented at the WiN Global Conference in August 2015, as was outlined by the WiN Germany President Ms. Sibille Winger.

**Israel's Permanent Representative to the IAEA & the CTBTO PrepCom
and WiN IAEA member
HE Ms. Merav Zafary-Odiz**

"Israel's Nuclear Non-Proliferation, Safety, Safeguards and Security Policy".

With international attention turning to the 2015 Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review Conference in late April, we joined the global discussion on 22 April by inviting Ambassador Merav Zafary-Odiz to share her insights into the NPT with us.

Merav is a member of WiN and a diplomat. As a senior official of the Israel Atomic Energy Commission (IAEC) and a nuclear policy expert, she combines diplomacy with her unique insights into the nuclear field. She is now the Ambassador of Israel to the IAEA and the CTBTO, and a leader from a new generation of diplomats bringing fresh perspectives to the political arena.

Following her presentation on Israel's Nuclear Non-Proliferation, Safety, Safeguards and Security Policy, Merav engaged in a lively discussion with other WiN members and meeting attendees about the position of Israel towards the Treaty. Israel is one of the four UN member states that have not joined the NPT, along with India, Pakistan and South Sudan.

"There are a lot of misconceptions about the Israeli policy," said Merav, explaining how Israel is fully committed to the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and to a Middle East peace settlement. Despite recognizing the value of the Treaty, Israel believes that the NPT regime as a whole has failed in the Middle East, and does not represent a viable solution to the unique political situation in that region.

A global regime like the NPT is an external effort that does not get to the root of the enormous lack of trust among countries in the region, Merav said. "We need a regional solution for the Middle East," she explained, "and this solution relies on the establishment of a mutually, effectively and comprehensively verifiable Weapons of Mass Destruction-Free Zone." Israel proposes a mutual verification regime that stems from countries at the regional level opening their doors to each other and working through a gradual process of confidence building and mutual recognition.



WiN-Dinner with the US permanent Representative to the UN and CTBTO

HE Ms. Laura Kennedy

On 16 June, US Ambassador Laura E. Kennedy gave a presentation titled “Women in Nuclear – Perspectives from New York and Vienna” during a buffet dinner in the Melia Tower.



Ambassador Kennedy talked about the progress she had seen in terms of the increase in numbers of women professionals since 1997. She mentioned the names of successful women working in the nuclear field and noted that the number of female ambassadors had increased tremendously since that time. She then reported on the outcome of this year’s NPT Review Conference, which was presided over by a woman, and the fact that the final document had not been adopted due to concerns by some of the States. During the conference, the role of the IAEA in implementing the Treaty was highlighted. She also touched upon the apparent lack of progress on disarmament. A Q&A session followed, during which Ambassador Kennedy mentioned the Peaceful Uses Initiative, which provides the IAEA with more flexibility in funding projects, and the “Amazing Atoms” app, which highlights US support for peaceful nuclear applications in different countries.

Academic Symposium Meeting in NY, USA

28 April 2015

Pre-Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference

The Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs along with Harvard University's Project on Managing the Atom and the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies organized a meeting prior to the NPT 2015 Review Conference for young scholars to present and discuss worldwide research related to the NPT. The purpose of the symposium was to exchange ideas and learn from early career scholars about present and future challenges and opportunities for the treaty. Naida Dzigal, a WiN IAEA Chapter member, was asked to deliver a presentation during the Academic Symposium on the role of the Safeguards Office of Analytical Services and potential importance of the IAEA's work in non-proliferation.





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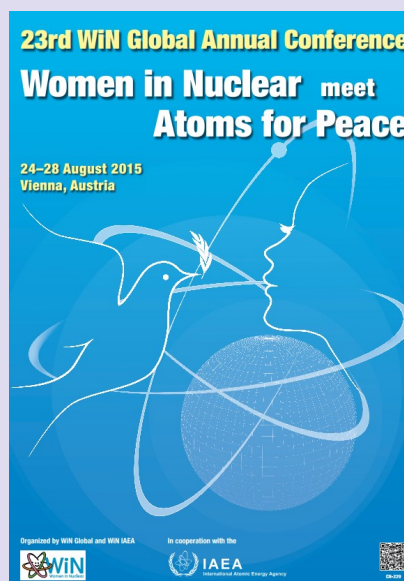
- Our editorial team has been strengthened with Luisa Milani on board. She has already actively contributed to the present issue.
- A special issue on the WiN Global Conference will be edited by Luisa Milani
- Suggestions, proposals or comments how to improve the newsletter to any of the editors, please.

Upcoming Events

The WiN Global Annual Conference

for more

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Welcome New Members

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