



Women in Nuclear (WiN) IAEA Chapter

Dear WiNers! This is the first ever WiN IAEA Bulletin, which will be produced on a quarterly basis. In this Bulletin you will find information on some exciting events during the 4th quarter of 2010, which were organized by our Chapter or in which WiN IAEA participated.

On October 5 we had a **workshop on female leadership “The Confident Woman”** with Katie Snap, the founder of Better-Leadership.com, an online resource for what she refers to as the “Everyday Leader.” This ever-growing website serves as a worldwide outreach to educate leaders in the basics of leadership and how to realize fuller potential. Katie’s first book Skirt Strategies: 249 Success Tips for Women in Leadership - a collection of inspiring ideas and practical tips for women in leadership - was well received by the workshop participants who had an opportunity to purchase the book with the author’s signature.

The workshop also served as a fund raiser for sponsoring the participation of one WiN IAEA member in next year's WiN Global conference, which will be held in Varna, Bulgaria, from 6-10 June 2011. €300 were raised for this purpose!



Vivianna Prochazka, the **Women's Career Network (WCN)** Austria Coordinator with External Networks, participated in the workshop and introduced the WCN and its activities to the WiNers. WCN Austria is a chapter of the European Professional Women Network which comprises 18 city networks across Europe with about 4000 professional women. It sparked great interest from both sides how two professional networks can co-operate and grow with mutual benefit.

WiN had a booth at the **2010 Symposium on International Safeguards “Preparing for Future Verification Challenges”**, which took place in Vienna, Austria, from 1-5 November and which provided a unique opportunity to present the WiN network to Symposium participants from within the international safeguards community. Our booth consisted of a rollup, brochures and a PowerPoint presentation on our activities.

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On 2 October Eva Gyane and Gabi Voigt attended the **foundation of WiN Europe** in Budapest, a regional WiN Chapter that will represent the interests of European WiN members.



On 6 December the **WiN IAEA Annual Meeting** took place, during which elections of the Executive Secretariat were conducted. The following executive officers were elected: Eva Gyane as President, Elena Buglova as Vice-President and Stella Attakpah as Secretary. The new officers gave meeting participants a short summary of their background and an insight into their activities. The WiN IAEA Award 2010 was given to Brenda Pagannone for her continuous and enthusiastic support of the network.

Participants in the meeting suggested the following activities for the coming year:

- more frequent luncheons;
- regular Happy Hours;
- workshops on members' work, technical writing etc...;
- educational sessions;
- a mentoring programme for newcomers
- outreach activities and networking with other organizations and networks
- cross-cultural communication

On 9 December WiN IAEA Executives had a business lunch with Matanat Rahimova, Co-President of the **WCN Austria**, during which the possible cooperation between two networks was discussed. Matanat shared the experience of WCN Austria's organisational structure, which inspired the WiN IAEA Executives for further discussion within the Chapter.

On 16 December WiN IAEA was invited to speak during the **Ninth Meeting of Points of Contact for the Recruitment of Women**. WiN IAEA President Eva Gyane gave a presentation on WiN IAEA mission, objectives and activities and how these can potentially contribute towards identifying qualified women in member States.