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## **Multilatéral**

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<b>Participant</b>	<b>Acceptance</b>		
Australia	9 Jun	2017	A
Bangladesh	11 Apr	2017	A
Indonesia	7 Jun	2017	A
Japan	23 May	2017	A
Palau	22 May	2017	A
Singapore	30 Jan	2017	A
Thailand	9 Mar	2017	A

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[ ENGLISH TEXT – TEXTE ANGLAIS ]

**Regional Co-operative Agreement  
for Research, Development and Training Related to  
Nuclear Science and Technology, 2017**

WHEREAS it is a function of the International Atomic Energy Agency (hereinafter referred to as the "Agency") to encourage and assist research on, and the development and practical application of, atomic energy for peaceful uses, which function can be fulfilled by furthering co-operation among its Member States and by assisting them in their national atomic energy programmes;

WHEREAS the Government Parties to this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Government Parties") recognize that, within their national atomic energy programmes, there exist areas of common interest wherein mutual co-operation can promote the more efficient utilization of available resources;

WHEREAS, under the auspices of the Agency, the Government Parties desire to enter into a Regional Co-operative Agreement to encourage such co-operation; and

WHEREAS the Government Parties intend this Agreement to replace the 1987 Regional Cooperative Agreement for Research, Development and Training Related to Nuclear Science and Technology (hereinafter referred to as the "1987 RCA"), which was extended on 12 June 1992, 12 June 1997, 12 June 2002, 12 June 2007 and 12 June 2012 (hereinafter referred to as the "extended 1987 RCA"), and which is due to expire on 11 June 2017;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed as follows:

Article I

The Government Parties undertake, in co-operation with each other and the Agency, to promote and co-ordinate co-operative research, development and training projects (hereinafter referred to as the "co-operative projects"), and other co-operative activities, in nuclear science and technology through their appropriate national institutions.

Article II

1. There shall be a meeting of representatives of the Government Parties (hereinafter referred to as the "Meeting of Representatives") to be convened by the Agency. The Meeting of Representatives shall be held as required, and, at least, once every year. Each representative may be accompanied by alternates, experts and advisers.
2. The Meeting of Representatives shall have the authority:
  - (a) to determine a programme of activities and to establish priorities therefor;
  - (b) to consider and approve the co-operative projects proposed in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article III;
  - (c) to consider and approve other co-operative activities proposed by the Government Parties for the purpose of complementing the implementation of the co-operative projects;

- (d) to review the implementation of the co-operative projects approved in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article III and of the co-operative activities approved in accordance with paragraph 2 (c) above;
- (e) to co-ordinate the activities of the project committees established in accordance with Article VI;
- (f) to consider the annual report submitted by the Agency pursuant to paragraph 4 of Article VII;
- (g) to adopt appropriate measures for the implementation of this Agreement;
- (h) to consider any proposal for amendment of this Agreement under Article XIV; and
- (i) to consider any other matter related to or connected with the promotion and coordination of co-operative projects or other co-operative activities for the purposes of this Agreement, as set forth in Article I.

#### Article III

1. Any Government Party may submit a written proposal for a co-operative project to the Agency, which shall, upon receipt thereof, notify the other Government Parties of such proposal. The proposal shall specify, in particular, the nature and objectives of the proposed co-operative project and the means of implementing it. At the request of a Government Party, the Agency may assist in the preparation of a proposal for a co-operative project.
2. In approving a co-operative project pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article II, the Meeting of Representatives shall specify:
  - (a) the nature and objectives of the co-operative project;
  - (b) the related programme of research, development and training;
  - (c) the means of implementing the co-operative project and verifying the achievement of project objectives; and
  - (d) other relevant details as deemed appropriate.

#### Article IV

1. Any Government Party may participate in a co-operative project established in accordance with Article III, by means of a notification of participation to the Agency, which shall notify the other Government Parties of such participation.
2. Subject to paragraph 2 of Article VII, the implementation of each co-operative project established in accordance with Article III may start after receipt by the Agency of the third notification of participation in the co-operative project.

#### Article V

1. Each Government participating in a co-operative project in accordance with Article IV (hereinafter referred to as a "Participating Government") shall implement the portion of the co-operative project assigned to it in accordance with paragraph 3(b) of Article VI. In particular, each Participating Government, subject to its domestic laws and regulations, shall: