

Geologic Disposal of High Level Waste

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2nd to 5th September 2008, Las Vegas, USA

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Course Outline

This course is run in collaboration with the United States Department of Energy and includes senior staff from the current and recent US programs, national laboratories and review boards. It covers international experience in key aspects of deep geologic disposal of spent fuel and high level radioactive waste that are needed to form the components of a national program, with a special emphasis on the current US HLW program. About half of the participants are expected to come from USDOE, providing an excellent opportunity for networking and learning in depth about the current program status. The course will take place in Las Vegas from 2nd to 5th September, immediately before the 2008 International High-Level Radioactive Waste Management (IHLRWM) conference (September 7th to 11th), which is also being held in Las Vegas, so participants can efficiently combine the two events.

Prior to the course, there will a full-day field visit to the Yucca Mountain site and associated locations of relevance to understanding the long-term behavior of the proposed repository and its environment. The course itself runs over three days and combines lectures and discussions on the fundamentals of HLW disposal, interactive evaluation of issues associated with historic radioactively contaminated areas and issues associated with the future of the international nuclear fuel cycle.

The course programme can be downloaded here (PDF 64 kb).

Venue

The course will be held at the 'New York, New York' Hotel & Casino, which is centrally situated on the Las Vegas 'Strip' (<http://www.nynyhotelcasino.com>). Rooms will be booked for participants at this hotel. You should plan to arrive by Monday evening, 1st September, as the field visit will depart early the following morning. Rooms will be booked for you until departure Saturday morning, 6th September.

Course Fee and Registration Deadlines

The course fees cover hotel accommodation at New York, New York for five nights (Monday 1st September arrival, Saturday 6th departure), continental breakfast from Wednesday through Friday, transport and lunch for the Yucca Mountain field visit, course notes and other materials.

CHF 4400. - ITC members

CHF 4890. - non-members

The course fee is due within four weeks of your registration. Registration is not guaranteed until we have received the course fee. If you have to withdraw from the course before 2nd August 2008 after paying your fee, it will be refunded in full. After this date, it is not refundable.

Online Registration

Registration is now closed. REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 21st 2008

Insurance

Please note that participants on this course, or their employing organisations, are responsible for their own personal insurance.

