

The Border Monitoring Working Group Front Line Officer Training

The Border Monitoring Working Group (BMWG) was established in 2005 by the IAEA, the European Union (EU) and the United States (U.S.) to promote coordination between its members and to serve as a forum for discussion and exchange of information on plans and programs to be implemented by its members in cooperation with the recipient countries to combat the illicit trafficking of nuclear and other radioactive material out of regulatory control. Since its establishment, the BMWG has proven to not only be an effective tool for avoiding duplication and maximizing and targeting resources, but also a forum to address common technical concerns and jointly develop capacity building tools. One such example of a capacity building tool that has been jointly developed and implemented is BMWG Frontline Officer Training Course on Nuclear Security Detection. This course trains frontline officers with radiation detection duties, such as police, border guard, customs officers, and gendarmerie in areas including radiation awareness, nuclear security threat awareness, radiation detection equipment operation, alarm adjudication, and secondary inspection techniques among other things. This paper will focus on the design and historical implementation of this course as well as introduce recent updates that reflect advances in adult learning principles. In addition, the implementation of this course at select nuclear security support centers will also be presented.

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