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An increasing number of Member States (MS) request IAEA assistance to develop nuclear skills and resources in support of national nuclear science and technology programmes under development—including programmes related to nuclear power. For countries with little or no existing nuclear infrastructure, human resources and skills must be developed to support planning, analysis, evaluation and other prerequisite activities for the decision making process. The Eastern European Research Reactor Initiative (EERRI) was approached by the IAEA to organize and implement a Group Fellowship Training Program on Research Reactors (GFTPRR) to satisfy the increasing demand for the aforementioned skill development. The GFTPRR has been offered to participants from MS who have expressed interest in this subject to the IAEA. The first training course started in spring 2009 with six participants organised by the institutions listed in the title.

Until spring 2014 eight training courses have been carried out while rotating the course among the four involved institution with a total number of about 60 participants from nuclear emerging countries. This paper presents the planning procedures, the course content, the logistics and the experience of such an international nuclear training course, which could be of major interest for other regional training courses world-wide.

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