



APSN

Asia-Pacific Safeguards Network -Regional Cooperation in the field of safeguards-

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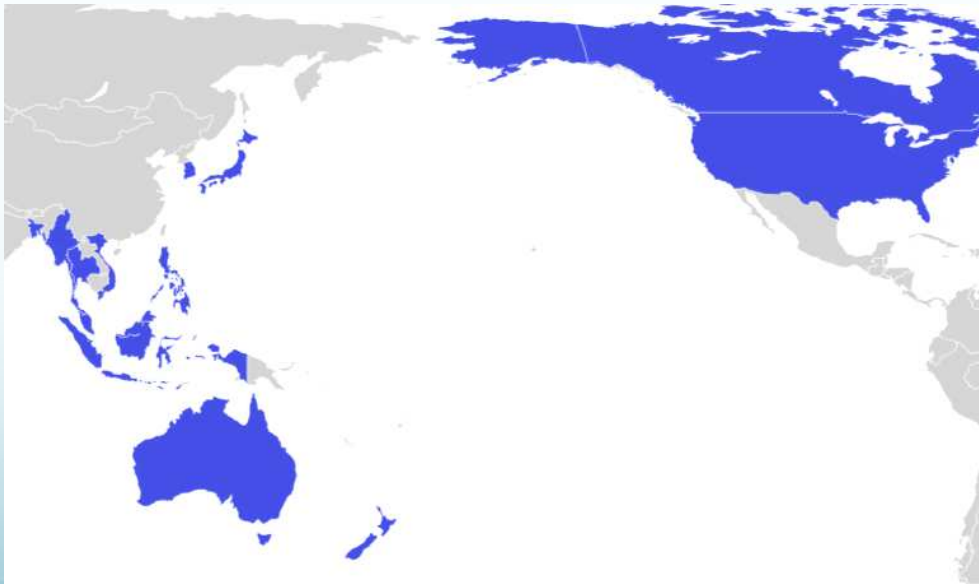


- The Asia-Pacific Safeguards Network (APSN) is an informal network of safeguards practitioners
- Formed in 2009 under the initiative of the Australian Government
- Facilitates the exchange of information, knowledge, and practical experience in the region to advance safeguards expertise and ensure that activities are conducted to IAEA standards



Members (14), observers , supporting organizations:

Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, Indonesia, Japan,
Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Myanmar, New Zealand,
Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, USA and Vietnam
European Commission IAEA, Cambodia, Lao P.D.R.,
Mongolia





OBJECTIVES:

To improve the quality, effectiveness and efficiency of safeguards implementation in the Asia-Pacific region, by:

- a) supporting the building and sustainability of national nuclear safeguards capability;
- b) promoting regional cooperation in appropriate nuclear safeguards application and practices;
- c) facilitating the coordination and provision of nuclear safeguards technical assistance;
- d) providing a forum for the sharing of appropriate knowledge on nuclear safeguards; and
- e) developing a network of national nuclear safeguards practitioners in the region.

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ALL MEMBERS AFFIRMS THAT:

- IAEA safeguards system makes an essential contribution to efforts in ensuring the peaceful uses of nuclear energy;
- interest of all members that IAEA safeguards are implemented effectively and efficiently; and
- interest of all members that each SSAC is able to meet its safeguards responsibilities effectively and efficiently.



WORKING GROUPS:

APSN consists of five working groups that meet annually:

(WG 1) Safeguards infrastructure implementation and awareness **(WG 2)** Capacity building **(WG 3)** IT Support, communication, and information **(WG 4)** Model safeguards and security legislation **(WG 5)** Physical Protection in Support of Nuclear

Safeguards

5th APSN Annual Meeting held in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, in September 2014

- presented an opportunity for all APSN members to convene and take stock of recent successful cooperative efforts, continue to exchange best practices and lessons learned in safeguards implementation, and explore future collaborative activities.

