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# Project

# SUPPORTING DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTEGRATED NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY SYSTEM

# **IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS:**

Studiecentrum voor Kernenergie / Centre d'Etude de l'Energie Nucléaire – the Belgian Nuclear Research Centre – (SCK•CEN, lead partner), Belgium; ENCONET Consulting, Austria

# **IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD:**

1 January 2013 - 30 September 2015

### **GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE:**

North Africa

# **PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES:**

Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia

### **BUDGET:**

400,000.00 euro

# **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

The general objective of the project is to enhance the overall capacities of the countries to maintain effective control over radiological and nuclear materials and installations.

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This will be achieved by:

- Undertaking a review of the laws and regulations relating to radiological and nuclear security in each beneficiary country, and formulating recommendations for enhancing the existing legislation.
- Reviewing the state of the physical protection measures at installations containing radiological and nuclear materials and providing recommendations, as necessary, for the upgrade of physical protection.
- Assessing and formulating recommendations concerning the establishment of a central storage facility for radioactive material and orphan sources, including seized material.
- Guiding the completion of the radiological and nuclear materials inventory, including the assessment of the inventory control procedures currently in place.
- Sharing best practices for the development of a national strategy for combating illicit trafficking in radiological and nuclear materials, and a national response plan to potential radiological or nuclear incidents.

All activities have been offered to partner countries and the level of implementation will depend on the current conditions and focus in each of the countries.

It is expected that, by the end of the project, the countries will engage in the development of the national strategies and national response plans in line with the international recommendations and best practices. The process will lead the countries to enhance their capacities in the radiological and nuclear security area and improve national nuclear security.

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