

Frequently Asked Questions for WINS online workshop

What are the advantages of an online workshop format?

We at WINS pride ourselves on our innovative workshops, and especially in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and current travel disruptions, we want to make the most of the advantages an online format offers. Taking the workshop online will enable us to reach a wider audience. By recording many of our materials and putting them online on a predefined schedule, we are making sure many participants will be able to join us in this new experience. The flexible schedule allows participants to set their own pace, optimising their participation in different sessions and maximising their chances to establish a strong network among the different attendees.

How will it differ from an in-person WINS workshop?

This new online approach is much more diverse and dynamic, using many different means of communication. Participants be able to listen and learn from leading thinkers and subject matter experts from all over the world. We are including experts from various professional backgrounds and countries to offer our audience the full picture. While the spirit of a WINS workshop is maintained, participants will have the liberty to choose the time and pace at which they take part in the event. The WINS Team has made a tremendous effort to combine the best parts of our in-person workshops with the advantages of an online event. Our main priority is to deliver high-quality content to our attendees in diverse ways. Attendees will be able to benefit the same way as they do from our in-person events – maybe even more, as each participant can decide their own pace of engagement and how much they want to contribute themselves.

How this workshop is structured?

The workshop will include on-demand sessions and a final live session. The on-demand part will include online recorded presentations, interviews, podcasts and webinars conducted by experts sharing their experience and know-how on core security topics. These on-demand sessions centre on two important topics: The first subject is the role of international organisations, lessons learned and best practices from various countries. The second theme covers five core security topics through online presentations from leading thinkers.

The first on demand materials will be available on 1 June. We will upload them to our dedicated webpage, and every participant will be able to listen or watch it at a time convenient for them. New on demand materials will be published every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through June 15.

Participants can provide us with comments or ask the experts questions through our webpage. These comments and questions will either be addressed during the live session or separately.

The live session will take place on Thursday, 18 January at 14:00 CEST. This session will be restricted to 50-60 attendees to ensure interaction among the experts and the participants at a high level.

Many of the experts that conduct the on-demand presentations, webinars and podcasts will be present during the live session as well. We are also planning to include a virtual plenary, table discussions, break-out groups, quizzes and online competitions. True to WINS' usual workshop philosophy, the live session will be professionally facilitated.

Listening and watching all on-demand sessions before joining the live session is strongly encouraged.

What five core security topics are covered in the on-demand sessions?

The WINS Team is selecting expert speakers for the on-demand online presentations so our attendees can benefit from the most interesting content. The online presentations will be structured around five main core security topics or sessions:

- Addressing integrated nuclear security policies and strategies
- Legal and regulatory framework
- Understanding the risks and challenges to creating effective nuclear security infrastructures
- Understanding common measures and considerations for effective programmes on nuclear security infrastructures
- Capacity building

How can I join the workshop?

You can [register on our website](#). All applicants will receive access to the on-demand sessions. Unfortunately, only 50 to 60 of all these applicants will be able to be join the live session. Having a set number of participants at the live session will ensure that each of these participants can contribute to the discussions and optimise networking opportunities between attendees. We have already received more than 50 applications, and we are hoping to receive many more.

WINS is part of the [Gender Champions Programme](#), and we are committed to increasing the participation of women in nuclear security at all levels. We hope to welcome many female participants in our first online workshop.

Will the live session will be recorded and made available to everyone?

Yes. As soon as the live session is closed on 18 June, we will upload it to our webpage and everyone – including people who were not able to join the live session – will be able to watch and listen to the recorded version of the live session.

Can participants who are not able to join the live session still send in questions for the experts?

Yes. We will be answering some of these questions during the live session, but we are also aiming to answer as many of these questions either before or after the workshop in our discussion group? or through emails.

Which experts will join the live session?

We hope most of the experts who have agreed to record the on-demand sessions will be able to join the live session. That way we will be able to address some of the questions that participants have. We are also counting on all other workshop participants to provide us with valuable different insight and their own experiences during the live session.

What other material does WINS offer on this subject?

As usual WINS will be producing a workshop report that will be available to all its members. The report will include an overview on the topic as well as a summary of the different sessions, on demand and live, that are going to be hold in the workshop. You will be able to find the workshop report on the event page.

Several of our Best Practice Guides relate to newcomers considering launching a nuclear power programme and implementing the first nuclear power plant. They are available on our website in the Knowledge Centre. Related to this topic, we particularly recommend:

[1.1 Effective Security Regulation and Implementation](#)

[1.7 Corporate Governance and Legal Liability for Nuclear Security](#)

[2.5 Engaging with External Stakeholders on Nuclear Security](#)

[3.1 Developing Competency Frameworks for Personnel and Management with Accountabilities for Nuclear Security](#)

[4.1 Implementing Security by Design at Nuclear Facilities](#)

All our Best Practice Guides are updated regularly to reflect the newest developments in the field and provide you with the best information possible. With this goal in mind, we will be gathering cutting-edge practices regarding newcomers and nuclear security to publish guidance on this topic in the near future.

The [WINS Academy](#) programme trains Certified Nuclear Security Professionals (CNSPs), and the [Nuclear Security Governance](#), [Communicating with Civil Society](#) or [Nuclear Security Regulations](#) electives may be especially relevant. All these topics are key to effectively developing a robust nuclear security programme in a country embarking into nuclear. With our recently introduced [online proctored exams](#), it is easy to complete your certification entirely from home or office.

Additional workshops on similar topics are in the works, and we will soon be able to announce locations and dates.

Any further questions?

If you have any questions or comments about the workshop, you can reach us at info@wins.org or bettina.lock@wins.org.