TWAS-ARO 7th Annual Meeting

Water, Nuclear and Renewable Energies: Challenges Versus Opportunities

Wednesday, 28 December 2011				
08:00-10:00	·			
10:00-11:30	Opening Session (Small Theater): • Ismail Serageldin, Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (BA), Alexandria, Egypt • Romain Murenzi, Executive Director, The Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS), Italy • Mohamed Hassan, Cochair, IAP, The Global Network of Science Academie, Italy and BOT member Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Egypt			
11:30-12:30	Networking Coffee Break and Poster Session (Multipurpose Hall)			
	Water Track (Small Theater)	Energy Track (Lecture's Hall)		
12:30-14:30	Water Seminar Overview (15 min) Abdel Salam Majali, President of the Islamic World Academy of Sciences Session 1: Water Resources and Climate Change Chair: Abdallah Daar, Director of Ethics and Commercialization, McLaughlin-Rotman Centre for Global Health, Canada (TBA) Jasem Abdulsalam, Professor, Department of Biological Sciences, Faculty of Science, Kuwait University (Kuwait) (TBA) Hammou Laamrani, Senior Program Officer, Agriculture and Food Security, IDRC	 Energy Seminar Overview (15 min) Laila El-Guebaly, Research Professor, Fusion Technology Institute, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, USA Session 1: Nuclear Systems and Egypt's Demand/Supply Chair: Laila El-Guebaly, Research Professor, Fusion Technology Institute, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, USA Nuclear Power: Essential Element of Environmentally Clean Energy Mix (35 min)		
14:30-15:30	Lunch			
15:30-17:30	 Session 2: Agricultural Water Management Chair: Elias Baydoun, Professor, Biology Department, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon (TBA) Adel El Beltagy, President of the Governing Board of the International Center for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM), Chair of the International Dry land Development Commission (IDDC) Session 3: Water Education and Awareness, How can it Help? Chair: Elias Baydoun, Professor, Biology Department, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon The role of Science Education in increasing Awareness of Issues Related to Water in the Arab Region. Saouma BouJaoude, Center for Teaching and Learning & Science and Math Education Center, American University of Beirut, Lebanon 	 Session 2: Renewable Energies (Resources, Efficiency, Limitations, and Economics) Chair: Mohamed Sawan. Professor, Fusion Technology Institute, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, USA High Efficiency Solar Cell Under One Sun and High Solar Concentrations (30 min) Salah Bedair, Professor, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina, USA Coupling Wind Power as a Renewable Source to Nuclear Energy as a Conventional Energy Option (30 min) Magdi Ragheb. Professor, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, USA The Emerald Forest" – An Integrated Approach for Bio-Derived Energy and Sustainable Community Living in Arid Environments (30 min) Fouad Teymour, JP Professor, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Illinois, USA Economics of Nuclear and Renewable Energy Sources (30 min) Massimo Zucchetti, Professor, Politecnico di Torino, Italy 		

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09:00 - 10:30	TWAS-ARO 7 th Annual Closed Meeting. (Fellows and Young Affiliates only)	Session 3: Nuclear Developments, Fuel Supply, and Radwaste Management Chair: Mohamed Y. Khalil. Professor, International SESAME Project, Amman, Jordon Latest Nuclear Power Technologies and Advanced Designs (30 min) Alv Mortada Alv. Executive Director, Nuclear Safety, Quality and Regulatory Affairs, Emirus Consulting Inc., Ontario, Canada Strategy for Assuring International Nuclear Fuel Supply (30 min) Walid Zidan, Professor, Director of Egyptian System of Nuclear Material Accounting and Control, Egypt Dealing with Radioactive Waste: Recycling and Clearance, Avoiding Geological Disposal (30 min) Laila El-Guebaly, Research Professor, Fusion Technology Institute, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, USA	
10:30 - 11:00			
11:00 – 12:30	Session 4: Desalination and Water Reuse Chair: TBA • (TBA) M. Thameur Chaibi, Head Department Rural Engineering, Pan African University, Project Management Unit, African Union Commission, Representative for Northern Africa, African Academy of Sciences (AAS) Council • The use of Nanotechnology for the treatment of polluted waters Mamoun Muhammad, Research Leader at Functional Materials, Microelectronics and Applied Physics, School of Information and Communication Technology, KTH – Royal Institute of Technology • (TBA) Mona Bakr, Associate Prof. National Institute of Laser Enhanced Science (NILES), Cairo University Director, NanoTech Egypt, Bahgat Group, Egypt	Session 4: Safety and Regulations Chair: Aly Mortada Aly, Executive Director, Nuclear Safety, Quality and Regulatory Affairs, Emirus Consulting Inc., Ontario, Canada ■ Safety and Lessons Learned from Nuclear Accidents (30 min) Said Abdel-Khalik, SNC Distinguished Professor, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA ■ Use of PRA to Evaluate Reactor Safety (30 min) Adel Elbassioni, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, USA ■ Role of Regulations in Shaping Today's Nuclear Power Plant Design, Construction, and O&M (30 min) Mohamed Elmaghrabi, Senior Nuclear Licensing Engineer, Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc., Connecticut, USA	
12:30-13:30	Lunch Break		
13:30-15:00	 Session 5: Water Economics Chair: Adnan Badran, President, Petra University, Jordan (TBA) Mohamed Abdrabo, Professor, Environmental Economics, Institute of Graduate Studies and Research, Alexandria University (Egypt) (TBA) Rashid Hassan, Professor and Director, Center for Environmental Economics and Policy in Africa, University of Pretoria (Sudan) (TBA) Magdy Madkour, Professor, Arid Lands Agricultural Research Institute (ALARI), Faculty of Agriculture, Ain Shams University (Egypt) 	 Session 5: Workforce, Proliferation, and Infrastructure Issues Chair: Said Abdel-Khalik, Professor, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA Workforce Issues: Education and Training in Egypt (30 min) Mohamed Y. Khalil, Professor, International SESAME Project, Amman, Jordon Proliferation Concerns, IAEA Policies, and International Treaties (30 min) Ibrahim El-Osery, Nuclear Power Plants Authority, Cairo, Egypt IAEA Milestone Approach for Establishing Safe Infrastructure for Nuclear Power Program (30 min) Amgad Shokr, Senior Safety Officer, Division of Nuclear Installation Safety, International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, Austria 	
15:00-17:00	Closing Session, Panel Discussion(Small Theater) Moderator: Yousry El-Gamal, Board Member, BoD, Center for Special Studies & Programs (CSSP); Chairman of BoT, Egypt-Japan University of Science and Technology (E-JUST) and former Minister of Education Ibrahim El-Osery, Nuclear Power Plants Authority, Cairo, Egypt Aly Mortada Aly, Executive Director, Nuclear Safety, Quality and Regulatory Affairs, Emirus Consulting Inc., Ontario, Canada M. Thameur Chaibi, Head Department Rural Engineering, Pan African University, Project Management Unit, African Union Commission, Representative for Northern Africa, Mahmoud Abu-Zeid, President of the Arab Water Council, Former Minister of water Resources and irrigation, Egypt Mohamed Abdo, Director, Energy and fusion Centers, University of California Los Angeles (UCLA), Egypt Mostafa El-Sayed, Julius Brown Chair and Regents Professor Director, Laser Dynamics Lab Georgia Institute of Technology School of Chemistry and Biochemistry, USA Magdi Ragheb, Professor, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, USA		