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#### **Event on nuclear forensics, organised by Romania for the first session of the Preparatory Committee of the Review Conference on the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty**

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On May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017, in Vienna, the *Nuclear Detectives to the Rescue: The Role of Nuclear Forensics in the Fight against Nuclear Terrorism* took place, organised by Romania for the first session of the Preparatory Committee of the Review Conference on the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (2-12 May 2017, Vienna).

Through this event, Romania wanted to underline the particularly important position nuclear forensics plays in the global architecture of nuclear security and in fighting against the illicit trafficking of nuclear/radioactive materials and against nuclear terrorism.

The meeting was opened and chaired by the Permanent Representative of Romania in Vienna, the Ambassador Cristina Istrate, who reviewed the national plans on nuclear forensics, developed by the Horia Hulubei National Institute of Research and Development in Physics and Nuclear Engineering (NIPNE): developing a library of nuclear forensics; equipping the national laboratory of nuclear forensics; drafting a National Response Plan to Illicit Trafficking Incidents involving Nuclear and Radioactive Materials, etc.

The event benefitted from the expertise of the manager of the Division for Nuclear Safety within IAEA, Raja Adnan, as well as from the speeches of the representatives of the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GICNT), of the Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (VCDNP), Dr. Laura Rockwood, and of the Horia Hulubei National Institute of Research and Development in Physics and Nuclear Engineering (NIPNE), Dr. Nicolae Mărginean.

In this context, IAEA and US representatives welcomed Romania's activity in fighting against nuclear terrorism by getting involved in GICNT and especially in the development of nuclear forensics.

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