

# International School of Nuclear Law





The International School of Nuclear Law (ISNL) is a **two-week educational programme** that takes place each year during the last week of August and the first week of September in Montpellier, France.

It was established in 2001 by the OECD **Nuclear Energy Agency (NEA)**, in co-operation with the **University of Montpellier**.

The ISNL provides a high-quality course of education on the various aspects of nuclear law, and each year welcomes

approximately 60 participants from a vast array of countries. To date, over 1 200 graduate students and young professionals from over 110 countries have taken part in the ISNL.

The school receives its general direction from a Supervisory Board comprising representatives from the NEA, the University of Montpellier and other well-respected professionals from around the world.

It benefits from the support of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

## Programme

The following subjects are covered during the programme:

- introduction to nuclear law;
- international institutions and organisations;
- international radiological protection standards;
- nuclear safety;
- nuclear regulatory regimes;
- management of spent fuel and radioactive waste;
- liability, compensation and insurance for nuclear damage;

- non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international safeguards for nuclear materials;
- nuclear security: physical protection, illicit trafficking and terrorism;
- international trade in nuclear materials and equipment;
- transport of nuclear materials and fuel;
- environmental protection;
- contracting.

Classes include traditional lectures combined with panel discussions and case studies.

## Venue

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The course takes place at the University of Montpellier, located in the historic town of **Montpellier, France**, which boasts one of the oldest schools of law in Europe.

## Lecturers

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Comprehensive lectures are delivered by renowned specialists in nuclear law from international organisations, governments, private industry and academia.

## Admission

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The ISNL is open to **students** pursuing their studies at post-graduate level or **young professionals** already active in the nuclear sector, who have an **advanced level of English**. Although course presentations and discussions focus on legal issues, a legal education is not required to participate in the ISNL.

**Application** forms are available on the NEA website ([www.oecd-nea.org/law/isnl](http://www.oecd-nea.org/law/isnl)). The deadline for receipt of applications for each session is **31 March**. The selection process takes approximately four to six weeks.

## University diploma

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Participants enrolled in the ISNL programme have the possibility of applying for a **University Diploma** (*Diplôme d'université – D.U.*) in International Nuclear Law from the University of Montpellier. Diploma candidates must complete a multiple choice test and submit a written dissertation of publishable quality on a topic relevant to international nuclear law. There are no additional fees to apply for or receive this diploma.



## Grant and financial support opportunities

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The NEA awards grants to a select number of **students** from its member countries.

The IAEA awards financial support to a limited number of **professionals** from its member states that are eligible to receive financial support under the IAEA Technical Cooperation Programme.

## Social events

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Various social events, including a guided tour of the city, a Saturday excursion and a group dinner, are planned throughout the programme to foster relationships among the participants.

## Practical information

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Information on registration fees, accommodation and other practical issues is available on the NEA website ([www.oecd-nea.org/law/isnl](http://www.oecd-nea.org/law/isnl)). You may also contact the ISNL by e-mail ([isnl@oecd-nea.org](mailto:isnl@oecd-nea.org)) if you have further questions.

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## NEA nuclear law publications and information

### Nuclear Law Bulletin

*Two issues per year, approximately 150 pages each.*  
[www.oecd-nea.org/law/nlb/](http://www.oecd-nea.org/law/nlb/)

### Principles and Practice of International Nuclear Law

*NEA No. 7599. 516 pages.*  
<http://oe.cd/4kc>

### International School of Nuclear Law Brochure

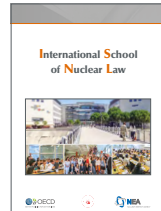
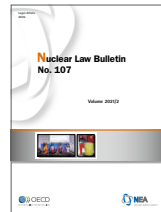
*One issue per year, approximately 74 pages.*  
[www.oecd-nea.org/jcms/pl\\_15096/isnl-commemorative-brochure](http://www.oecd-nea.org/jcms/pl_15096/isnl-commemorative-brochure)

### Japan's Compensation System for Nuclear Damage As Related to the TEPCO Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Accident

*NEA No. 7089. 244 pages.*  
[www.oecd-nea.org/law/fukushima/7089-fukushima-compensation-system-pp.pdf](http://www.oecd-nea.org/law/fukushima/7089-fukushima-compensation-system-pp.pdf)

### Nuclear legislation in OECD and NEA countries

*Regulatory and institutional framework for nuclear activities*  
[www.oecd-nea.org/law/legislation/](http://www.oecd-nea.org/law/legislation/)



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