

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

held on Monday, 25 September 2023

**Plenary
1st
meeting**

The Conference, under agenda **item 1** of the provisional agenda, “Election of officers and appointment of the General Committee,” elected by acclamation HE Ms Vilawan Mangklatanakul, Ambassador and Resident Representative of Thailand to the IAEA, as President of the General Conference at its sixty-seventh regular session.

In line with a proposal by the President, the Conference elected the delegates of Australia, China, Colombia, France, Kenya, the Russian Federation, the United States of America and Yemen as Vice-Presidents of the Conference; the delegates of Canada, Denmark, Honduras, Poland, Sudan and the United Arab Emirates as additional members of the General Committee, and Mr Vilmos Cserveny, Minister Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Mission of Hungary to the IAEA, as Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole.

Under agenda **item 3** of the provisional agenda, a message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr António Guterres, was delivered to the General Conference by Ms Ghada Fathi Waly, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Vienna.

Under agenda **item 4** of the provisional agenda, Mr Rafael Mariano Grossi, Director General of the IAEA, gave a statement to the Conference.

The Conference, under agenda **item 6** of the provisional agenda, “Approval of the appointment of the Director General”, approved by acclamation the appointment of Mr Rafael Mariano Grossi as Director General of the Agency for a term of four years, from 3 December 2023 to 2 December 2027, by adopting the draft resolution contained in document GC(67)/8.

Under agenda **item 7** of the provisional agenda, “Contributions to the Technical Cooperation Fund for 2024”, the President made a statement regarding the early pledging and payment of contributions to the Technical Cooperation Fund for 2024, which greatly helps the Secretariat in planning the Agency’s technical cooperation programme.

The Conference took up agenda **item 8** of the provisional agenda, “General debate and Annual Report for 2022”, and statements were made by the delegates of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Saudi Arabia, the United States of America, the Russian Federation, China, Kazakhstan, Spain (on behalf of the European Union), Austria, Japan, France and Hungary.

**General
Committee
1st
meeting**

The General Committee adopted the agenda of the meeting as set forth in document GC (67)/GEN/1 and recommended to the Conference that:

— the agenda for the current session of the General Conference consist of all the items on the provisional agenda set forth in document GC(67)/1, excluding item 2 “Applications for Membership of the Agency”, since there were no applications, and of the supplementary items in GC(67)/1/Add.1, Add.2, Add.3, Add.4 and Add.5;

- the allocation of items for initial discussion listed in documents GC(67)/1, Add.1, Add.2, Add.3, Add.4 and Add.5 be taken up for discussion as indicated in these documents;
- the order of items be as set out in documents GC(67)/1, Add.1, Add.2, Add.3, Add.4 and Add.5; and
- Friday, 29 September 2023 be set as the closing date of this session; and the General Conference start its next regular session on Monday, 16 September 2024.

Meeting as the Credentials Committee, the General Committee took up the item on “Examination of delegates’ credentials” and recommended to the Conference to adopt the draft resolution contained in paragraph 5 of the first report of the General Committee contained in document GC(67)/25.

**Plenary
2nd
meeting**

Under **item 4(a)** of the adopted agenda, “Arrangements for the Conference,” the Conference accepted the General Committee’s recommendations that the agenda for the current session consist of all the items on the provisional agenda set forth in document GC(67)/1, excluding item 2 “Applications for membership of the Agency”, and of all the supplementary items set forth in documents GC(67)/1/Add.1, Add.2, Add.3, Add.4 and Add 5, and that they be taken up for discussion in the order and according to the respective allocations as set out in these documents.

The Conference accepted the General Committee’s recommendation to close the current session on Friday, 29 September 2023.

The Conference accepted the General Committee’s recommendation to start its next regular session on Monday, 16 September 2024.

The Conference took up **item 28** of the agenda, “Examination of delegates’ credentials”, and considered the first report of the General Committee, contained in document GC(67)/25. The Conference adopted the draft resolution contained in paragraph 5 of the first report of the General Committee contained in document GC(67)/25.

The Conference continued with **item 7** of the agenda, “General debate and Annual Report for 2022”. Statements were made by the Republic of Korea, Egypt, Uzbekistan, Dominican Republic, Iraq, Türkiye, Montenegro, Ukraine, Ghana, Pakistan, Bulgaria, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Denmark, San Marino, Malta, Estonia, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic, Tunisia, Slovakia, Namibia and Argentina. China and Japan exercised their right of reply.

**Committee
of the
Whole
1st
meeting**

The Committee agreed to take the items referred to it, as far as possible, in the order in which they appear in the agenda of the Conference, published as document GC(67)/24.

The Committee also agreed to continue the practice, successfully implemented in recent years, of clustering, to the extent practicable, the draft resolutions submitted to the Plenary by the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee elected Ms Juanita Navarro Ángel, the delegate of Colombia, and Ms Louise Fluger Callesen, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Denmark to the IAEA, as Vice-Chairs of the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee agreed to recommend the following to the Conference for adoption:

- under agenda **item 9**, “The Agency’s Financial Statements for 2022”, the draft resolution on page i of document GC(67)/4.
- under agenda **item 10**, “The Agency’s Programme and Budget for 2024–2025”,
 - a draft resolution entitled “A. Regular Budget Appropriations for 2024”, contained in document GC(67)/5 ;
 - a draft resolution entitled “B. Technical Cooperation Fund Allocation for 2024”, contained in document GC(67)/5; and
 - a draft resolution entitled “C. The Working Capital Fund for 2024”, contained in document GC(67)/5.
- under agenda **item 11**, “Amendment to Article XIV.A of the Statute”, the draft decision contained in document GC(67)/COM.5/L.10;
- under agenda **item 12**, “Scale of assessment of Member States’ contributions towards the Regular Budget for 2024”, the draft resolution contained on page 3 of document GC(67)/12/Rev.1;
- under agenda **item 16**, “Strengthening the Agency’s activities related to nuclear science, technology and applications”.
 - a draft resolution entitled “Non-power nuclear applications” contained in document GC(67)/COM.5/L.6;
 - a draft resolution entitled “Support to the African Union’s Pan African Tsetse and Trypanosomosis Eradication Campaign (AU-PATTEC)” contained in document GC(67)/COM.5/L.1;
 - a draft resolution entitled “Renovation of the Agency’s Nuclear Applications Laboratories at Seibersdorf” contained in document GC(67)/COM.5/L.2;
 - a draft resolution entitled “the Zoonotic Disease Integrated Action (ZODIAC) Project” contained in document GC(67)/COM.5/L.4; and
 - a draft resolution entitled “Nuclear power applications” contained in document GC(67)/COM.5/L.9;
- under agenda **item 27**, “Personnel”, the Committee agreed to recommend to the Conference for adoption a draft resolution entitled “Staffing of the Agency’s Secretariat” contained in document GC(67)/COM.5/L.5.

The Committee commenced discussion under agenda **item 17**, “Strengthening the effectiveness and improving the efficiency of Agency safeguards”, and began consideration of draft resolution GC(66)/COM.5/L.8.

The Committee also commenced discussion under agenda **item 27**, “Personnel”, on a draft resolution entitled “Women in the Secretariat” contained in document GC(67)/COM.5/L.3.