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Chairman Rao met USNRC delegation led by Chairman NRC, Mr Christopher Hanson on September 20, 2021 and discussed the ongoing activities as well as topics of common interest. Both sides agreed to continue regular bilateral interactions and discussed about the next bilateral meeting which may be held virtually or physically depending on prevailing conditions.



Chairman, AERB in a meeting with Chairman NRC

A meeting was held on September 21, 2021 between Chairman, AERB and Chairman, ASN to renew the bilateral Arrangement and strengthen the bilateral co-operations in regulatory matters. The bilateral Arrangement between AERB and ASN, was signed by Chairman, AERB and Chairman ASN which will remain valid for next five years.



Signing of the Arrangement by Mr. G. Nageswara Rao, Chairman AERB and Mr. Bernard Doroszczuk, Chairman, ASN



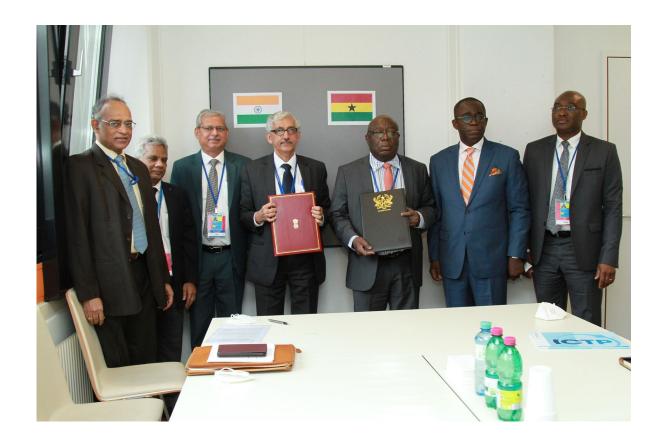
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On 22nd September, Shri G. Nageswara Rao, Chairman, AERB, Dr. A.K. Mohanty, Director, BARC and others attended the Address by Dr. K.N. Vyas, Chairman, AEC. Indian delegation met Director General, IAEA and had general discussions.



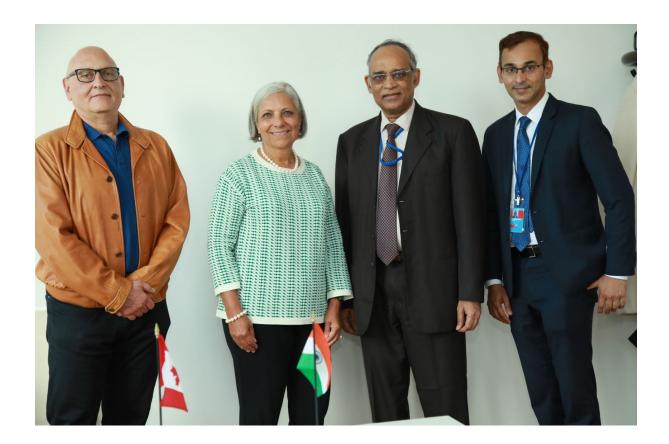


Indian delegation with Director General, IAEA



On September 23, 2021 Chairman, AERB attended the Senior Safety and Security Regulators' meeting. He also attended a special session on International Gender Champions Impact Group on Gender Equality in Nuclear Regulatory Agencies led by Mr. Rafael M. Grossi, IAEA Director General and Ms. Rumina Velshi, President & CEO of the CNSC wherein general approach, overall goals and current progress and next steps were discussed.

On 24th September, 2021 Chairman, AERB had a meeting with Ms. Rumina Velshi, President, CNSC. They had discussions on the areas of common interest and agreed to have continued bilateral meetings on regulatory aspects.



The deliberations of Chairman Rao during this conference was beneficial to AERB in enhancing international coordination activities in the areas related to the regulation of nuclear safety.