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Promoting Partnership for RCA



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Background of RCA Partnership



From the Statement of the Director General of IAEA

- At June 2004 Board of Governors Meeting -
- "The Agency expanded (and is expanding) its partnerships with other United Nations system organizations, international financial institutions, regional organizations and other relevant bodies
....

From the Statement of the DDG, Dept. of TC of IAEA

- At June 2004 Board of Governors Meeting -
- "Partnerships are essential to TC....The Agency has attained some success building international partnerships and will now focus on promoting national and sub-regional ones....



Background of RCA Partnership

Roles & Responsibilities of RCARO in the RCA GOR

- To pro-actively seek out opportunities for the RCA to participate in projects being funded by major regional and international donors, including international agencies
- To negotiate and secure funds for the RCA projects
- To promote the peaceful uses of appropriate nuclear technology to assist in addressing regional and national needs
- To provide enhanced visibility for the RCA at regional and national forums, and
- To implement the directives of the RCA Member States as agreed upon at the Meetings of National RCA Representatives
- Provide Member States with reference to the RCA archived records on the projects, meeting proceedings, guidelines and procedures for undertaking the RCA activities as a repository of knowledge on the RCA programme



Potential RCA Partners

- UN system organizations
 - UNDP, UNEP, UNESCAP, UNESCO, UNICEF, UNOPS, UNIDO, FAO, WHO, etc.
- International financial institutions
 - IFAD (International Fund for Agricultural Development)
 - IBRD (International Bank for Reconstruction and Development)
 - WB (World Bank) and WB Group
 - ADB (Asian Development Bank)
- Regional cooperative organizations
 - ACU, CCOP, APCTT, etc
- National donors for international co-operation
 - Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)
 - Korea International Co-operation Agency (KOICA)
 - United States Agency for International Development (USAID), etc
- Other relevant bodies
 - OECD/NEA, OECD/IEA

Type of Partnerships

- Information exchange partners
- Financial support partners (donors)
- Technical co-operation partners (joint project, advice, human resources development)



Partnership Activities of RCARO

- **Expert Consultation (2006, Aleta) : A study on Enhancement of partnership project with other organization.**
- Basically most of Int'l organizations fundamentally agreed with RCA in developing a partnership projects. However, they requested detailed information such as specific area and project for partnership.
- Some of the int'l organizations implement their projects on a loan base or through direct investment on bridges or small-sized public buildings. These are not compatible with the RCA criteria.



Partnership Activities of RCARO

Pursuing partnerships with GEF

- GEF Agencies such as UNIDO, the World Bank and FAO were investigated focusing on the funding types, mechanism and project thematic areas.
- UNIDO focuses projects on agro-based small and medium enterprises at the national level.
- Most of the projects of the World Bank are implemented on a loan base by international financial institutions.
- FAO implements the project through the Technical Cooperation Programme at the national level and the programme can only be requested by the governments of the Member States or by the international organizations(e.g. IAEA) of which they are Members and which are recognized as FAO's counterparts.
- Thus, These might not be the appropriate counterparts for developing partnership projects with RCA.



RCA Partnership Project

RCARO carries out joint projects with UNDP

Title	Project Period	RAS Code
Mitigation of Coastal Impacts of Natural Disasters like Tsunami, using Nuclear-or Isotope-based Techniques	2006~2008	(RCA/UNDP) ROK/06/001
Promoting and Accelerating Nuclear SPECT/PET Imaging Technologies in the Region	2010~2013	Ongoing
Electron Beam Applications for Value Addition to Food and Industrial Products and Degradation of Environmental Pollutants in the Asia-pacific region	2012~2015	Submission of Proposal



Problems and Issues

From a technical perspective

- To explore the possibilities of developing partnership project with international organization, the contents and techniques in accord with goals of potential partner organization should be suggested.
- Most of organizations have inherent goals and targets for project. The goals can be achieved by using of various techniques (e.g chemicals or microbiology), However RCA should meet the RCA criteria in terms of using nuclear technology.
- Difficulty in meeting both RCA criteria and those of potential partners simultaneously and in finding projects of utilization of nuclear techniques



Problems and Issues

From a technical perspective

- RCA also make an effort to identify that the nuclear technology can be applied to achieve the goal of project, and should investigate that nuclear techniques is more beneficial and excellent methods than any other techniques.
 - Support of various field of Expert, continuous and in-depth research are positively necessary
- Most of the projects have been conducted by MSs within the respective organizations at national level, therefore it is difficult for RCA to have opportunity to establish partnership project



Problems and Issues

From a financial perspective

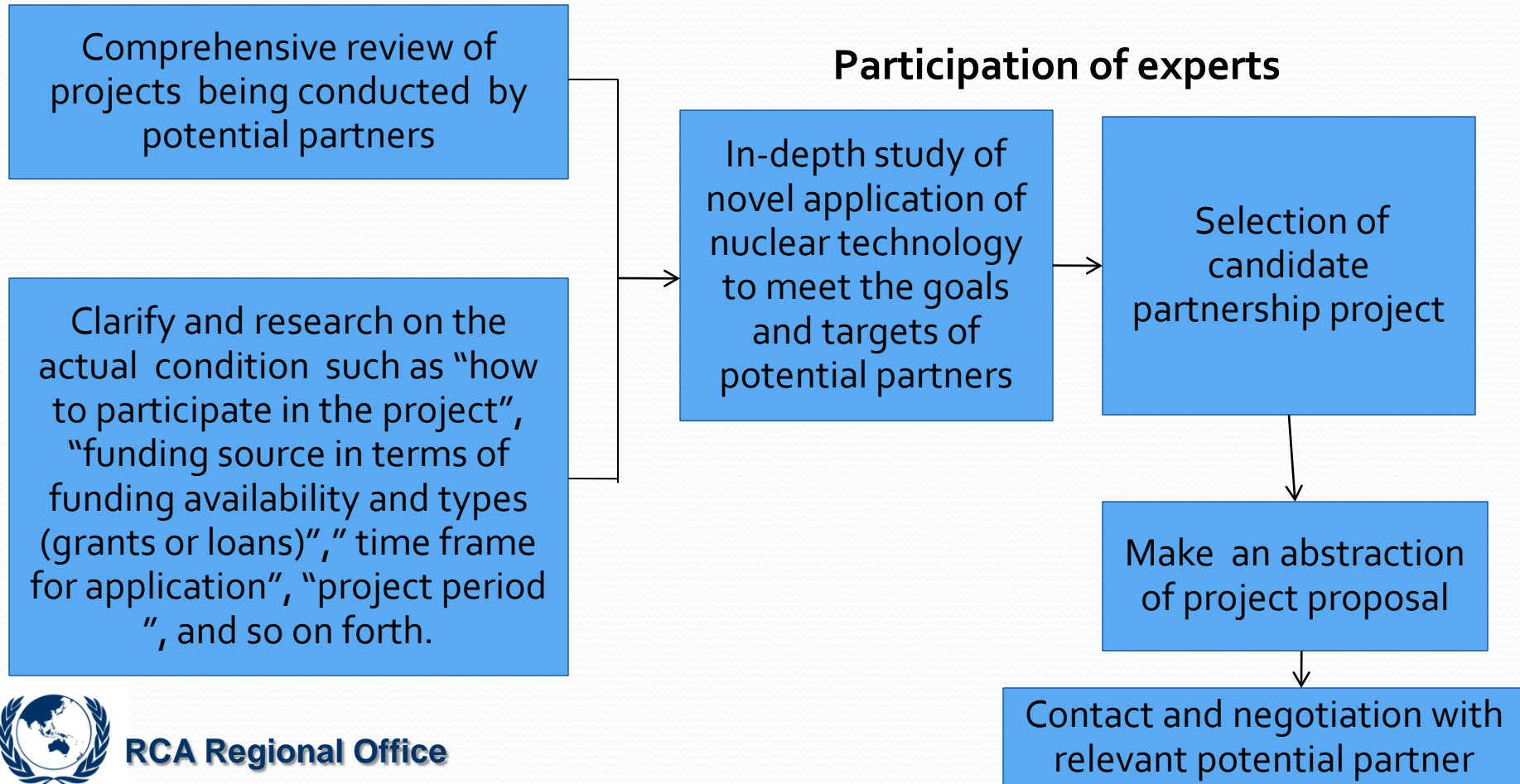
- There are not many organizations to support grant-based funding like FAO. Most of organizations support loan-based funding and investment in research is very limited in practice. Loan-based funding conflicts with RCA terms and condition.
- Most of organizations address priority development areas through targeted, short-term, catalytic projects at the national level. Thus , the funding is mostly allocated to those project and the funds is determined by prior mutual agreement between member states.
- It's hard practically to find available funding source through the public offering.



Directions

A way of Conducting Partnership Enhancement

- A Systematic and stepwise approach is necessary to develop partnership project



Any Comments ?



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Thank you
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