

Rwanda enters the International Atomic Energy Agency

On 14 September 2009, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) during its General Assembly held the same day has approved by acclamation Rwanda's application to join the Agency.

The IAEA is an Intergovernmental organization that serves as a centre for nuclear cooperation. The objective of the IAEA is to promote the safe, secure, and the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. The organization established in 1957 organizes annual conference at its headquarter in Vienna, Austria. Rwanda applied to join the IAEA through a letter that the Rt. Hon. Prime Minister Bernard MAKUZA had addressed to the organization, letter brought to the Board of Governors on 4th September 2009. The 53rd General Conference accepted the application of Rwanda.

Today, the IAEA serves as an intergovernmental forum for scientific and technical cooperation in the peaceful use of nuclear technology, and Rwanda will undoubtedly benefit from entering this organization.