

Mandate of the WPEC Subgroup-B Co-ordinator

(Data Formats and Processing)

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General

- The role of the co-ordinator is to act as a link between the non-USA nuclear data compilers/users and the CSEWG in the USA, which is formally responsible for the ENDF format maintenance.
- National/regional projects should appoint a contact person to facilitate communication between the co-ordinator and local data users.

Function of the co-ordinator:

- Collect proposals for extensions of the ENDF format and the associated documentation.
- Review the proposals, resolving conflicting counter-proposals from different users by facilitating communication between the interested parties.
- Request clarification or additional information about the proposals from the authors, as necessary.
- Present the proposals to CSEWG.

Note:

The evaluators/users are not restricted in any way to communicate or discuss data format related issues between themselves or with their counterparts in the USA, but the co-ordinator should be informed about the outcomes of such interactions. Specific proposals resulting from such interactions should nevertheless be presented to CSEWG by the co-ordinator in a joint proposal including any other contributions.

Method of work

- Contact persons from national/regional projects are invited to submit format proposals to the co-ordinator (4 months lead time before CSEWG meeting).
- The co-ordinator collects and reviews the proposals, asking for additional information or clarifications (3 months lead time).
- The co-ordinator prepares a joint proposal to be offered for review to proposers. By default, “no reply” implies approval (1.5 months lead time).
- The co-ordinator submits the joint proposal to CSEWG in the requested/specified form (1 month lead time).

Method of work – notes:

- CSEWG will only consider non-US proposals submitted through the WPEC co-ordinator.
- National/regional projects appoint a contact person to facilitate communication between the co-ordinator and the local user community, as necessary.
- Incomplete proposals or proposals that do not meet required quality standards are not submitted to CSEWG.