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Volunteers are an important part of NARUC's International Programs

Volunteer Opportunities

We are currently recruiting volunteers for activities in the coming months, with opportunities for NARUC members and energy experts to support our projects in grid modernization, renewable energy and energy efficiency, and other fields.

Who can volunteer?

We are seeking a variety of skillsets, experiences, and career fields to support our programs abroad. Volunteers can be current state commissioners and staff, former state and federal regulators, expert consultants, and experienced practitioners in the energy industry.

What kind of activities are available to participate in?

Our activity calendar contains three different types of activities:

- **Speaker presentations:** Volunteers present their knowledge on the topic to foreign partners and oversee a Q&A session, usually in the form of a webinar or webinar series
- **Peer-to-peer workshop:** Volunteers help facilitate and contribute to an interactive discussion with foreign partners in order to promote an exchange of information and ideas on the topic
- **Peer review:** Volunteers provide feedback to foreign partners on a proposed regulatory decision such as a rule, standard, permit, or other policy through written comments and/or interactive webinars



Remote work:

- Peer review documents and provide recommendations through virtual working groups

In-country activities:

- Travel with NARUC staff to the partner country for roughly one week (including travel to and from the U.S.)
- Serve as an expert as you lead discussions, provide recommendations, share lessons learned, and problem solve with foreign regulators



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Benefits of Volunteering

- Activities are fully paid for by NARUC's donors – there are no net costs for commissions or staff
- Professional development/staff retention opportunity
- Whereas paid work comes with an expectation to please the client and deliver what is requested, NARUC's peer-to-peer activities are genuine opportunities to share knowledge, exchange perspectives, and generate goodwill
- Opportunities to learn not only about other parts of the world, but about your own work, and the work and expertise of your peers
- Collaboration with fellow U.S. commissioners/staff offers new insights on common challenges
- Volunteers build networks of commissioners and staff working with NARUC's International Programs



Bring your knowledge and time. We'll do the rest!

For volunteers taking part in in-country activities, NARUC covers/reimburses: 1) economy class air travel; 2) Western-style hotels in the partner country; 3) meals while on travel; 4) ground transportation; 5) vaccinations (if needed); and 6) medical/emergency insurance while on travel. In addition, our staff will coordinate with you in advance of the activity, make all necessary arrangements (e.g., flight, hotel, visas, ground transportation, etc.), travel alongside you, and manage activity logistics every step of the way.

Sign up for our email distribution list and apply to volunteer

Volunteer solicitations are sent regularly to our mailing list, along with news about how NARUC members are solving problems and making a difference. Please email Erin Hammel (ehammel@naruc.org) and Sarah Stiles (sstiles@naruc.org) to sign up. Personal or work email addresses are acceptable. The volunteer application is straightforward, and asks for relevant expertise, approach to the topic for foreign partners, any relevant overseas experience, etc. Please make sure you have your commission/state approval before applying.

Contact Us

If you have any questions about the activities listed on the calendar, please contact the relevant NARUC staff for more details or reach out to Erin Hammel, Director of International Programs, at ehammel@naruc.org.

NARUC International - Calendar of Upcoming Activities

Partner & Funder	Topic, Role, & Format	Dates	NARUC Contact
Advancing Women Leaders in Energy USAID	HR Working Group: Monthly Meetings to Develop and Implement Gender Equity Action Plans and/or Coaching for Individual Commissions to Improve Gender Equity (Virtual)	Quarterly beginning in March 2023	Ellen Gilley (egilley@naruc.org)
Spring 2024			
Support for Power Africa USAID	African Forum for Utility Regulators (AFUR) Series: Cyber and Grid Security; Speaker Presentations (Virtual)	March 12	Rachel Estrada (restrada@naruc.org)
Support for Power Africa USAID	African Forum for Utility Regulators (AFUR) Series: Technical Quality of Service; Speaker Presentations (Virtual)	March 26	Rachel Estrada (restrada@naruc.org)
Cambodia U.S. Department of State	Regulatory Frameworks for DERs; Peer Review (In-country)	April 8-10 (TBC)	Bailey Obrock (bbearss@naruc.org)
Mongolia U.S. Department of State	Wholesale Market Development; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	April 8-12 (TBC)	Emiliya Bagirova (ebagirova@naruc.org)
Bosnia and Herzegovina USAID	Ancillary Services for Distribution Networks; Speaker Presentations (Virtual)	April 15-16	Beryl Taylor (btaylor@naruc.org)
Morocco USAID	National Transmission Grid Code; Peer Review (In-country)	April 16-18	Rachel Estrada (restrada@naruc.org)
Egypt USAID	Market Development; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	April 23-25	Rachel Estrada (restrada@naruc.org)

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Malaysia <i>U.S. Department of State</i>	Third-Party Access, or Direct Power Purchase Agreements; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	May 6-10	Emiliya Bagirova (ebagirova@naruc.org)
Europe & Eurasia Region <i>USAID</i>	Developing Emergency Preparedness Regulations; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	May 15-16	Kristina Boichuk (kboichuk@naruc.org)
Vietnam <i>U.S. Department of State</i>	Direct Power Purchase Agreements or Demand Response; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	May 20-24	Emiliya Bagirova (ebagirova@naruc.org)
Bosnia and Herzegovina <i>USAID</i>	Consumer Education and Embracing Digital Platforms; Speaker Presentations (Virtual)	May 29-30	Beryl Taylor (btaylor@naruc.org)
Advancing Women Leaders in Energy <i>USAID</i>	Toolkit for Aspiring Women Leaders in Moldova; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	June 5-7 (TBC)	Alyssa Russo (arusso@naruc.org)
Advancing Women Leaders in Energy <i>USAID</i>	Toolkit for Aspiring Women Leaders in Bosnia and Herzegovina; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	June 10-11 (TBC)	Alyssa Russo (arusso@naruc.org)
Bosnia and Herzegovina <i>USAID</i>	Best Practices for Establishing a Cybersecurity Incident Response Team; Speaker Presentations (Virtual)	June 12-13	Beryl Taylor (btaylor@naruc.org)
Advancing Women Leaders in Energy <i>USAID</i>	Mid-Career Leadership Phase 2 in North Macedonia; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	June 24-26 (TBC)	Alyssa Russo (arusso@naruc.org)
Summer 2024			
Angola <i>U.S. Department of State</i>	Renewable Energy Integration or Third Party Access; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	Week of July 16 (TBC)	Bailey Obrock (bbears@naruc.org)

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Mongolia <i>U.S. Department of State</i>	Distributed Energy Systems, Distributed Generation; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	July 22-26 (TBC)	Emiliya Bagirova (ebagirova@naruc.org)
Malaysia <i>U.S. Department of State</i>	Integrated Resource and Generation Planning or Renewable Energy Integration; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	August 19-23 (TBC)	Emiliya Bagirova (ebagirova@naruc.org)
Upcoming Activities with Volunteers Already Selected			
Tanzania <i>USAID</i>	Tariffs and Performance Contracts; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	March 12-14	Meghan Riley (mriley@naruc.org)
Caribbean Regional <i>USAID</i>	Renewable Energy Integration and Reserve Requirements; Speaker Presentations (In-country)	March 18-20 (TBC)	Meghan Riley (mriley@naruc.org)

All information is current as of February 25, 2024.

****All activity dates, topics, and locations are subject to change. For more information about NARUC International's ongoing projects, please contact a program staff member listed above or NARUC International Director Erin Hammel at ehammel@naruc.org.