

Vitae– Rhonda Evans

Rhonda Evans is currently engaged by the IAEA as a Senior Nuclear Security Officer within the Division of Nuclear Security, Department of Safety and Security. Since 2012 she has been working on guidance documents related to nuclear security infrastructure for countries embarking on nuclear power programmes, sustaining nuclear security regimes and detection and response systems for materials out of regulatory control. She also leads activities for the implementation of that guidance following requests by Member States for assistance in these areas of nuclear security.

Prior to coming to the IAEA in 2012, Rhonda spent six years as the Deputy CEO of the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency responsible for leading the regulatory staff, policy staff and leading international cooperation and assistance programmes on behalf of the Australian government, including the Asian Nuclear Safety Network and IAEA and OECD fora. Rhonda was a member of the National Counter Terrorism Sub-committee relating to CBRN as well as the intergovernmental committee that examined the possibility of a nuclear power programme for Australia in 2007.

Her earlier career was as General Legal Counsel in a number of Australian government organisations including the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency; Australian Administrative Appeals Tribunal; Australian Broadcasting Authority and the Australian Broadcasting Tribunal. During that time she was a collaborating research partner with the Australian Law Reform Commission and regularly lectured in Australian universities on administrative law; access to justice and regulatory practice.

Rhonda has an advanced law degree from the University of Sydney and is admitted as a solicitor and barrister to the New South Wales Supreme Court and High Court of Australia. She is currently toying with the idea of a PHD but can't quite make up her mind on which of the many interesting nuclear security subjects to choose!