On Sunday 4 October, 2015, the Institute for Reference Materials and Measurements (IRMM) opens its doors to the general public in celebration of its 55th birthday.

The IRMM is one of the seven institutes of the Joint Research Centre and is the European Commission’s in-house science service. This unique event will enable visitors to access and learn about the world of scientific measurements involving exciting interactive activities and guided tours of our linear particle accelerators, notably Van de Graaff and GELINA. This is also an unprecedented opportunity for visitors to discover the cutting-edge science behind airport security, experience the importance of chemistry in the kitchen, make selfies posing as scientists and posting the pictures on our social media, extinguish small fires together with the company’s firebrigade. A real treat for science buffs!

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