



The International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA) 2010 – 2011

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Executive Council

- ❑ 58th Held 27-29 February 2009 in Bethesda, MD, USA
- ❑ 59th Held 3-4 October 2009 in Paris, France
- ❑ 60th Held 11-12 September in Nairobi, Kenya





IRPA MEMBERSHIP

- ❑ 46 NATIONAL OR REGIONAL ASSOCIATE SOCIETIES
- ❑ 58 COUNTRIES
- ❑ ABOUT 17 000 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS



IRPA Strategic Plan

□ GOALS 2008-2012

1. Promote excellence in the conduct of IRPA
2. Promote excellence in national and regional associate societies
3. Promote excellence in radiation protection professionals
4. IRPA is recognized by its members and stakeholders as the international voice of the radiation protection profession



IRPA Strategic Plan

□ Tasks for 2008-2012

- Revise rules and procedures to ensure the conduct of excellent and effective IRPA congresses
- Develop a position paper on the subject of an effective radiation protection society
- Develop a strategy plan on education and training activities
- Prepare a document on the criteria for engaging IRPA with its Associate Societies, international organizations and others



IRPA'S ROLE

- ❑ **To provide a medium for communication and advancement of radiation protection throughout the world**
- ❑ **To encourage the establishment of radiation protection societies**
- ❑ **To support international meetings**
- ❑ **To encourage international publications dedicated to radiation protection**
- ❑ **To encourage the establishment and continuous review of universally acceptable radiation protection standards and recommendations**
- ❑ **To encourage professional enhancement**



Establish Radiation Protection Societies

□ Working in:

- Chile
- Georgia
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Thailand
- Venezuela

➤ **Africa?**

➤ **Middle East?**



IRPA and IOMP

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MOU") between **International Organisation for Medical Physics** and **International Radiation Protection Association**

The two organisations hereby agree as follows:

□ Purpose of this collaboration:

- to recognize that both organisations can complement each other in promoting their respective objectives;**
- to enhance the cooperation between the two organisations in the field of radiation protection.**



Improving Radiation Protection Culture

- ❑ **China, Japan, Korea Workshop, Jeju Island , Korea,
23 November 2010**
 - Sponsored by Korean Association for Radiation Protection

- ❑ **Second International Workshop, Charleston, SC, USA,
10-11 February 2011**
 - Co-sponsored by Health Physics Society, American Association of Physicists in Medicine and The Alliance for Radiation Safety in Pediatric Imaging



Improving Radiation Protection Culture

- Working Group is established**
 - Fifteen members representing radiation protection & medical physics and 10 countries from N. & S. America, Europe and Asia.**
- Four subgroups are working on:**
 - **I Elements or traits of RP culture and its definition**
 - **II. Criteria for success**
 - **III. Assessment tools**
 - **IV. How to Engage Stakeholders & the role of RP professionals and IRPA Associate Societies**



Improving Radiation Protection Culture

- May –July 2011: Production of material (WG)**
- Oct 2011: Preliminary draft sent to AS and post on IRPA website**
- Oct –Jan 2012 : Period of consultation & Preliminary Draft V2.0**
- May 2012 IRPA: IRPA13 Glasgow at Associate Society working session on RPC**



IRPA International Congress 2012

IRPA13 : Glasgow

13th International Congress
of the International Radiation
Protection Association

13 - 18 May 2012





**International Radiation Protection
Association**

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