

Stakeholder Dialogue Webinar: Experience and Lessons for Young and Old Experts and Researchers

February-March 2016

Organised in collaboration with
International Radiological Protection Association (IRPA)

Background

At its December 2012 meeting, the Committee on Radiation Protection and Public Health (CRPPH) Bureau suggested that the CRPPH could organise a webinar to bring together young and experienced professionals to exchange information for dealing with stakeholder concerns. Radiological protection professionals, who have had significant experience working with concerned stakeholders to understand and help address their views, could present their opinions on how to most effectively accomplish this objective. Young radiological protection professionals could, in their turn, present their views on how to best take advantage of modern social media to effectively reach broad groups of stakeholders in order to bring radiological protection science to their service.

This initiative was unanimously supported at the 73rd meeting of the CRPPH in Paris in April 2015, and further expanded at the 4th Workshop on Science and Values in Radiological Protection Decision-Making in Moscow, Russian Federation in June 2015. The workshop highlighted the importance of issues such as consent, equity, control and responsibility for defining and imposing appropriate radiological protection measures and criteria.

In order to keep in step with modern-day approaches to interactions, and to facilitate the broadest participation, it has been agreed that this stakeholder dialogue webinar should be entirely online, so that speakers and listeners could participate remotely (e.g. from their work or home computers) without having to travel to a meeting venue.

Objectives

The objective of this webinar is to share stakeholder dialogue and social media experience between all radiological protection professionals.

Audience

The target audience for this webinar is broadly members of the radiological protection profession who have been or will be involved in stakeholder engagement including public meetings, small group or individual conversations etc.. The audience should include regulators, members of industry and research scientists.

Format

Recognising the difficulty that many younger professionals may have to travel, it is proposed that this workshop should be webcast, and that the IRPA should be involved so that a largest number of national society young professional branches can participate. In order to take advantage of ongoing work within the NEA, the CNRA Working Group on Public Communication of Nuclear Regulatory Organisations (WGPC) and the RWMC Forum on Stakeholder Confidence (FSC) should be involved in the development of this webinar.

The webinar format will consist of three two-hour plenary sessions held from 13:00 to 15:00 (Paris time, UTC+1) on Wednesday over 3 consecutive weeks in February and March 2016. The webinar will be managed through a central website by the NEA secretariat (using WebEx). Attendees will participate electronically via their computers. Details of the mechanics of participation, discussion and presentation are in the process of being developed and tested, and these will be communicated to the registered participants as they are finalised.

Working language

The webinar will be conducted entirely in English.

Registration

Participation will be limited to approximately 800 people. There is no registration fee but pre-registration is required through the following registration link www.oecd-nea.org/rp/workshops/stakeholder-dialogue2015

The registration deadline is 31 January 2016.

All those interested in participating are encouraged to register. Please feel free to contact the NEA secretariat, as noted below, if you have further questions.

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

Day one 17 th of February 2016	
13:00	Welcome from the NEA and co-organisers Technical and organisational issues
13:10 - 15:00	<p>Session 1: Radiological Protection at the Service of Society: An Overview of Stakeholder Involvement</p> <p>This session will present the evolution of stakeholder involvement in the radiological protection community, and the direction that stakeholder involvement is taking in terms of decision-making in complex radiological protection situations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholder Involvement and the CRPPH: A Learning Process (Presenter: Michael Boyd, Chair of CRPPH; Office of Radiation and Indoor Air, Radiation Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; e-mail: boyd.mike@epa.gov) • IRPA Guiding Principles for Radiation Protection Professionals on Stakeholder Engagement (Presenter: Dr Renate Czarwinski, President of the International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA); Federal Office for Radiation Protection, Institute for Applied Radiation Protection Physics, Berlin, Germany; e-mail: president@irpa.net) <p>Discussion</p>
15:00	End of day one

Day two 24th of February 2016	
13:00	Welcome to day two: Michael Boyd, CRPPH Chair Feedback from day one Technical and organisational issues
13:10 - 15:00	<p>Session 2: Experience with Stakeholder Dialogue in Complex Radiological Protection Situations</p> <p>This session will include a series of presentations by world-class radiological protection experts who, during their careers, were required to address complex situations through various stakeholder dialogue processes. They will summarise their experience, noting the key aspects that are needed to achieve accepted and sustainable radiological protection decisions. The question of addressing risk perception versus risk assessment will be included.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of release criteria for contaminated areas: Experience from the US Rocky Flats Plant situation (Presenter: Dr John E. Till, President of Risk Assessment Corporation (RAC), South Carolina, USA; e-mail: johntill@mindspring.com) • Accepted and sustainable radiological protection decisions during nuclear reactor decommissioning: Experience in Sweden from a regulator's point of view (Presenter: Simon Carroll, Analyst, Swedish Radiation Protection Authority (SSM), Stockholm, Sweden; e-mail: simon.carroll@ssm.se) <p>Discussion</p>
15:00	End of day two

Day three 2nd of March 2016	
13:00	<p>Welcome to day three: Michael Boyd, CRPPH Chair</p> <p>Feedback from days one and two</p> <p>Technical and organisational issues</p>
13:10 to 15:00	<p>Session 3: The Use of Social Networks and Social Media to Assist in Developing Interactions with Stakeholders, and to Facilitate the Implementation of Protective Actions</p> <p>This session will include a series of presentations by young radiological protection experts who will present their views and expertise in the use of the internet and social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) to effectively interact with stakeholders in order to better understand and address their concerns.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Media – Web sources (Blogs, wiki, webinars, etc.) (Presenter: Sophie Palmer, Interactive Communications Manager, NDA, UK; e-mail: sophie.palmer@nda.gov.uk) • Social Networks – Facebook, Twitter, etc. (Presenter: Sven Nagels, Radiation Protection Expert, Business Unit Radiation Protection, Energy Systems and Automation, TÜV Rheinland Industrie Service, Cologne, Germany; e-mail: sven.nagels@de.tuv.com) <p>Final discussion</p>
15:00	End of webinar