

Development and Dissemination of ALARA Culture

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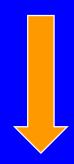
Introduction

- ALARA culture
 - At the heart of radiation protection culture
- Need to further develop and disseminate ALARA culture
 - Increased risk awareness
 - New scientific knowledge regarding radiation effects
 - New exposure situations
 - Increase in the number of applications using ionising radiation



ALARA principle bases

 Linear dose-effect with no threshold (stochastic health effects)

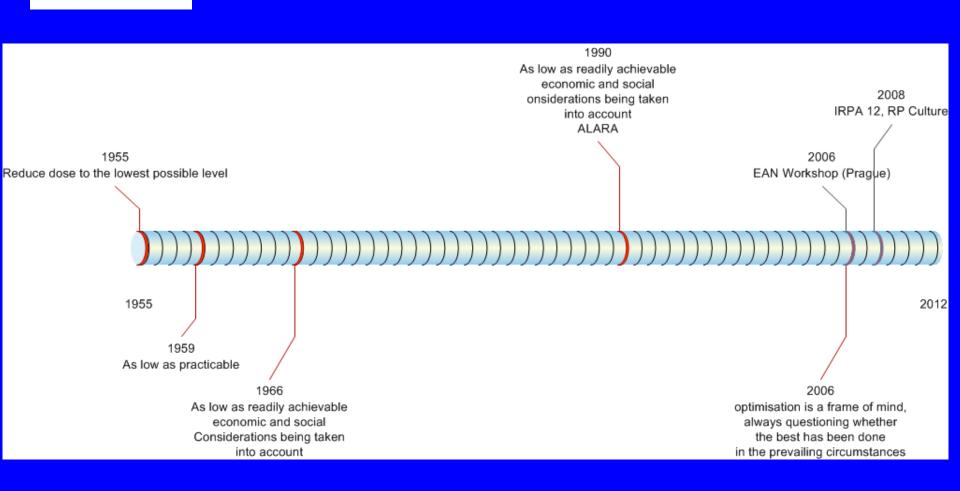


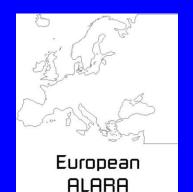
- Basic principles of radiation protection
 - Justification
 - Optimisation ALARA
 - Dose limits



ALARA Network

Optimization principle evolution timeline



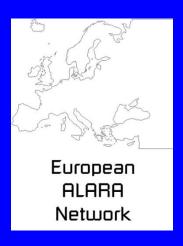


Network

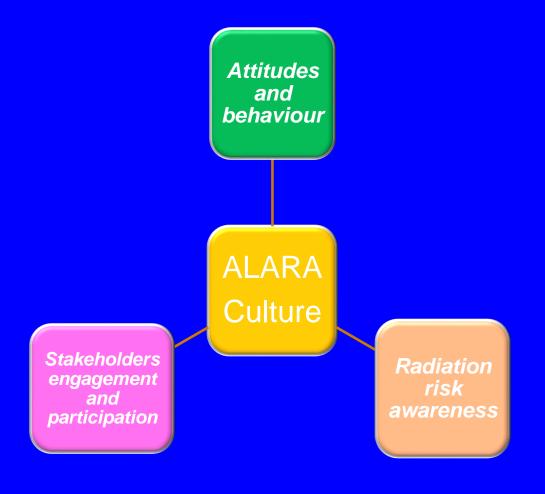
ALARA is an obligation of means and not an obligation of results





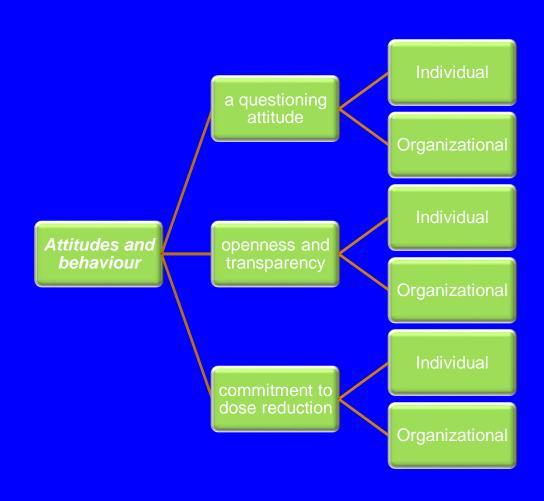


Synthesis of the main Elements of ALARA culture



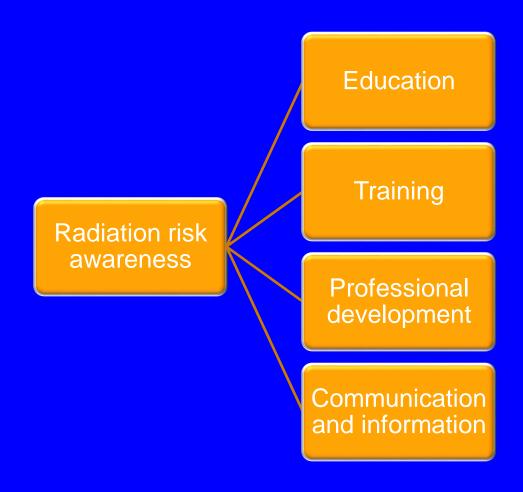


Attitudes and behaviours





Radiation risk awareness





Stakeholders engagement and participation

Competent authorities

Licensees

Manufacturers, suppliers and designers

Radiation protection professionals

Professional associations

Exposed workers

The public

Stakeholders engagement and participation



Competent authorities

Legislation

Verification

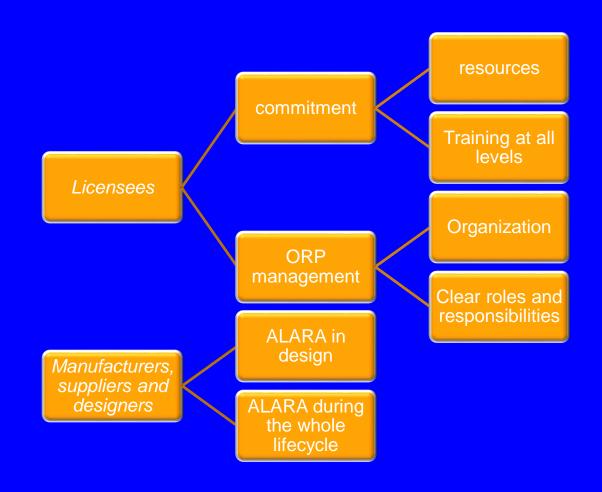
Transparency

Public involvement

Competent authorities

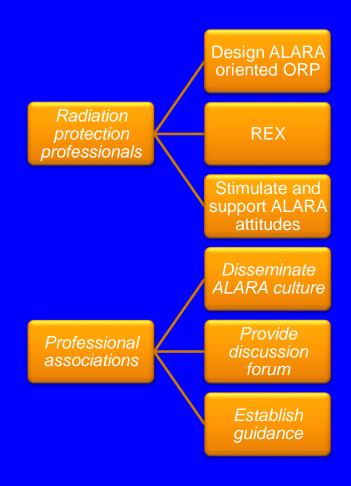


Licensees and Manufacturers



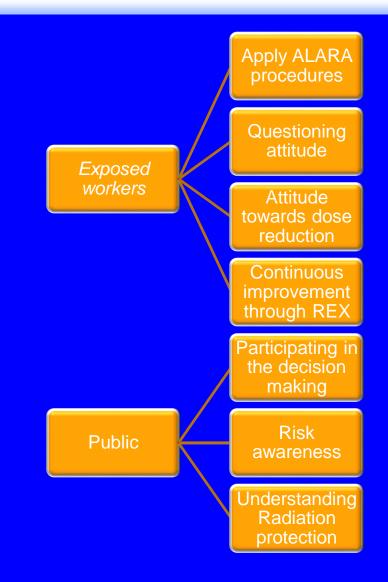


Radiation protection proffesionals





Exposed workers Public





Challenges related to ALARA culture

- nuclear industry
 - Successful implementation
 - Ageing of the installations
 - Loss of experience
 - New builds, new technologies
- NORM industry
 - Increased risk awareness
 - New regulations IAEA and EURATOM
- medical sector
 - Increasing awareness
 - Efforts are still needed
 - Increase in uses of ionising radiation in medical field



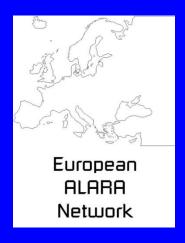
Challenges

- existing exposure situations
 - radon in dwellings
 - phosphogypsum landfills
 - Complex
 - involvement of new stakeholders
 - risk awareness
- emergency exposure situations
 - Complexity of emergency situations
 - optimisation in the planning stage of the response and protection strategies



Role of the networks in the dissemination of ALARA culture

- ALARA networks
 - platform to exchange views and experience and to create relationships.
 - Contribution to the creation of knowledge
 - education and training
 - identifying and harmonising good practices.
- European ALARA Network (EAN)
- related ALARA networks,
 - European Medical ALARA Network (EMAN)
 - EAN NORM



Conclusion

Increasing number of exposure situations

Continuous technological developments

Decreasing number of radiation protection specialist

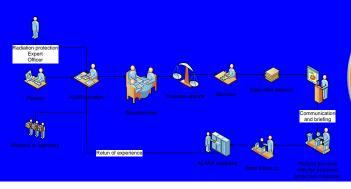
further actions to develop and disseminate ALARA culture



Network

ALARA culture working group

Basic concepts of radiation protection and their origins



Examples of ALARA implementation in practice

"Optimisation of radiation protection (ALARA): a practical quidebook

ALARA process
ALARA procedure

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Competent authorities
- O Manufacturers, suppliers and designers
- Licensees
- Radiation protection professionals
- Professional associations
- Exposed workers
- Public
- Patients

Elements supporting the approach

Actors and their responsibilities



Thank you for your Attention Questions?