

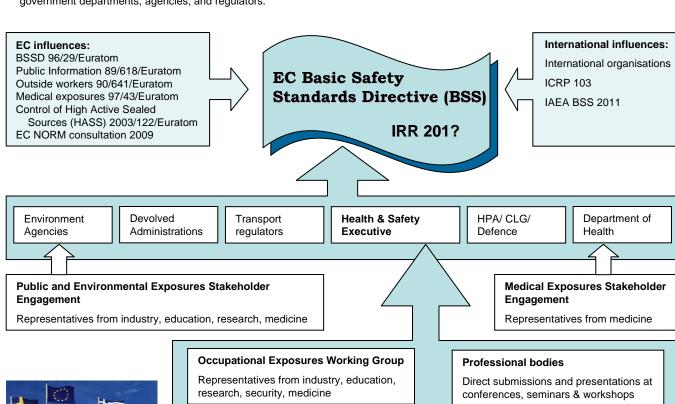


STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT IN THE IMPROVEMENT OF RADIATION REGULATIONS

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- This poster illustrates the UK stakeholders involvement in the revision of the European Commission's (EC) Basic Safety Standards Directive (BSSD), with emphasis on the occupational exposure aspects.
- The EC's proposed revision of the BSSD is currently under discussion in the Council's Working Party on Atomic Questions. Once agreed and adopted by the European Council, it will be mandatory on all European Union Member States to translate the requirements into national legislation. This will result in revised Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999 (IRR99) in a few years time.
- Stakeholder involvement has been to collate operational, policy, and legal views on application of the current regulations, identify areas for
 improving legal and technical aspects, minimising burdens on business, providing clarification and simplification where possible, and
 developing and analysing detailed assessments of the potential health and cost impacts of regulatory options identified.
- The stakeholder groups represented below include individuals, employees, employers, radiation experts, professional bodies, and government departments, agencies, and regulators.





References:

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BSS Community of Interest

Web based discussion/email correspondence

BSS topic group workshops

Eg. Lens of the eye dose limit workshops with nuclear and medical sectors

Regulator topic groups

Eg. HSE & Environment agencies group
HSE & Department of Health group

HSE Radiation Specialist Inspectors

HSE Office of Nuclear Regulation

HSE Ionising Radiation Policy

HSE Legal Advisors

HSE Economists

HSE Employment Medical Advisory Service (EMAS)