

Terms of Reference Task Group on Review of the System of Radiological Protection

2021-24

Objective

The International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) has embarked on a review and revision of the System of Radiological Protection that will lead to new General Recommendations refining and eventually superseding ICRP *Publication 103* The 2007 Recommendations of ICRP. The first major milestone is open-access publication of the paper 'Keeping the ICRP Recommendations Fit for Purpose'. The aim of this paper is to encourage discussions on which areas of the System might benefit most from review, and to initiate collaborative efforts. ICRP will be seeking responses on the ideas in the paper and other areas relating to the review of the System and is organising a virtual workshop planned for October 2021 to gather feedback. This is an opportunity for open and transparent discussion on the first steps of this multi-year initiative.

This Task Group will play an important role by informing Associate Societies (AS) about this initiative, encouraging them to organise feedback through IRPA and independently, and consolidating views reflecting areas of broad consensus and the spectrum of views of the profession.

It is likely that IRPA will be involved in later stages of the review and revision of the System. After the ICRP workshop, the mandate of this Task Group may be expanded, or another Task Group could be established to carry on future work.

Membership

Chair:	Sigurdur Magnusson (IRPA EC, Nordic Society for RP, Iceland)
Vice-Chair:	Bernard le Guen (IRPA President, SFRP, France)
	Claire-Louise Chapple (IRPA EC, SRP, UK)

Nominees from AS will be invited with the objective of wide participation ideally covering all regions: Africa, North and South America, Asia, Australia, and Europe.

Key Tasks

Inform Associate Societies about the initiative to review and revise the System of Radiological Protection and the forthcoming paper from ICRP that will open discussions on which areas of the System might benefit most from review.

Encourage and collect feedback from Associate Societies on areas of the System that might benefit most from review, and early thoughts on directions for improvement of the System.

Consolidate feedback from Associate Societies, representing the spectrum of views received, to prepare an IRPA paper and/or presentation for the ICRP workshop.

Encourage Associate Societies to share their views directly in the ICRP workshop.

Advise the IRPA Executive Council on steps to be taken after the ICRP workshop.

Working Methods

The work of the Task Group will be conducted principally via email, internet, and telephone. No physical meetings are envisaged.

Contact all Associate Societies to inform them about the forthcoming paper from ICRP, and to collect their views through a survey and/or open questions.

Prepare an IRPA paper and/or presentation for the ICRP workshop.

The Task Group Chair will provide progress reports to the IRPA Executive Council at each Executive Council meeting.

Approved by the IRPA Executive Council Date: 8th July 2021