

## **7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Education and Training in Radiological Protection (ETRAP): ONLINE, 23 – 26 March 2021**

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**Abstract.** It is widely recognized that education and training are essential pillars for applying ionizing radiation safely. Since 1999, a series of six conferences on Education and Training in Radiological Protection have been organized in Europe [1]. With the focus on benchmarking current practices and experiences on one hand, and on a harmonized approach towards education and training in Europe on the other, this series has proven to be very successful. The 7<sup>th</sup> ETRAP conference will not be hosted by the Groningen Academy for Radiation Protection / University of Groningen as originally intended, but will be organized online by SCK-CEN. The conference will be held from 23-26 March 2021.

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### **1. INTRODUCTION**

ETRAP 2021 intends to bring together training providers, policy makers, radiation protection experts, regulators and authorities and end-users. It will discuss the latest findings and developments in education and training in radiation protection in nuclear industry, healthcare, research centres and governmental organizations.

The conference will be held online from 23 – 26 March 2021. The detailed program with the virtual sessions will be announced in February 2021. Considering the challenges and opportunities that online training confronted us with in the past year, the themes of the conference are adapted to online delivery of training. All relevant information is or will be available at [www.etrp.net](http://www.etrp.net).

### **2. CONFERENCE THEMES**

#### **New didactic methods and methodologies**

What are the new didactic methods and methodologies to use in online training? Special attention will be given to the challenges with regard to practical exercises.

#### **Training online**

The COVID-19 pandemic has boosted the use of tools for online teaching. What is working, what is not? During this conference we are looking forward to sharing best practices.

#### **Legal requirements**

Can online alternatives fulfill the legal requirements? Can competence building be established via online education and training and how to assess the learning outcomes?

#### **Attracting the young generation**

Is there an augmented use of social media and what is organized online for professionals and students to attract a new generation? Which formats tease them?

### **Effectiveness of communication**

Is the effectiveness of communication influenced by COVID-19 measures and tele-working?

### **3. CONFERENCE WEBSITE**

We kindly invite you to visit the conference website [www.etrp.net](http://www.etrp.net) and subscribe to the ETRAP newsletter.



### **4. ETRAP IN 2023**

We intend to organize the 8<sup>th</sup> ETRAP conference in 2023. Groningen, original venue of ETRAP 2021, will most likely be the venue for the ETRAP 2023 conference.

### **REFERENCES**

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