

## **Congress News**

14<sup>a</sup> International Congress of the Radiation Protection Association 9 - 13 May 2016, Cape Town – South Africa

### **News from the Programme Committee**

Now the programme is almost completely finalised, and it will be really exciting, covering all exposure situations, all exposure categories, and virtually all sorts of sources of ionising and non-ionising radiation.

### Highlights will include, e.g.,

- the Sievert lecture (by John D Boice);
- the scientific and social 50th Anniversary celebrations of IRPA;
- the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences Gold Medal presentation (by Ethel Gilbert);
- the Russian Health Studies Program (sponsored by the US Department of Energy) which will bring us up to date on, e.g., Techa River and Mayak studies;
- in-depth discussions and analyses of other major cohorts including, e.g., LSS, Chernobyl, and Fukushima;
- 'hot' issues such as cataract and the new eye dose limit, and radon in the light of the new risk factor;
- radiological protection in medicine after the 'Bonn call for action';
- radiation safety of paediatric patients;
- radiation safety challenges for nuclear newcomers and new build countries;
- severe accidents, emergencies, and developments after Fukushima;
- the latest developments in radiation detection, monitoring, and dosimetry;
- the progress from theorising to actual protection of the environment;
- enjoying the benefits and minimising the risks of radioactive sources:
- the latest news from UNSCEAR, ICRP, ICRU, ICNIRP, IAEA, WHO, OECD/NEA and other organisations, and a peek behind their curtains to see what's in the pipeline;
- presentations by the excellent young members selected by their IRPA Associated Societies to compete for the Young Professionals Award;
- and an impressive range of Refresher Courses covering 20 important radiation safety topics.

And this is just a small sample of the multitude of plenaries, panels, and scientific sessions on a wide range of scientific and applied topics ranging from fundamental science to hands-on applied radiological protection.

In short, the question you need to ask yourself is not whether you can afford to go. It is, can you afford *not* to go? You will surely come to the conclusion that you must participate! **Registration.** For more information, and to register, please visit the official Congress web site at: http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/registration.asp







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