



IRPA

Terms of Reference

Task Group on Radioactive Source Security

Objective

To support and encourage the awareness and development of a strong responsibility and knowledge amongst radiation protection practitioners regarding the security of radioactive sources, including the promotion of an enhanced security culture.

Membership

Chairman: Chris Englefield (SRP) - the Founding Chairman of the Task Group.

Members: Nominations from IRPA Associate Societies (up to two nominations per Society).

IRPA Executive Council Liaison Officer [IRPA Vice President].

Working Methods

- Recruiting interest and involvement from as many IRPA Associate Societies as possible, to ensure inclusiveness and full engagement.
- Preparing an annual work plan, for approval by the IRPA Executive
- Identification of resources for use by IRPA members working in or developing themselves in the subject of radioactive source security. These may include international consensus documents from IAEA, WINS⁽¹⁾ or similar recognised third party organisations.
- Communicating the existence and location of these resources to the IRPA membership by:
 - Drafting of articles to be published in relevant journals, as well as on the IRPA website. All such articles will be peer-reviewed by the Task Group membership and the IRPA Publications Director.
 - Provision of links and/or a bibliography to material identified as above for use on the IRPA website
 - Preparation of presentations and or posters for IRPA Regional and International Congresses.
- Cooperating with, and providing a mechanism for the feedback of practitioner's experiences in source security to, relevant organisations such as IAEA and WINS.

- To encourage manufacturers and suppliers of radioactive sources to engage constructively towards the common objective.
- The Task Group will work to these ToRs and the following guiding principles:
 - The role of the Task Group is generally to improve access to suitable and relevant professional development material on radioactive source security developed by third parties. The Group will not usually develop such material itself, other than to summarize or provide explanatory text related to existing documents.
 - The Task Group is not empowered to provide advice to any Associate Society nor any other body or person on radioactive source security.
 - No sensitive material will be published nor transmitted by the Task Group during the course of its work.
- The Task Group will arrange for the creation of a “Radioactive Source Security” area of the IRPA website.
- Development of an IRPA Position Statement on Radioactive Source Security for endorsement by the IRPA Executive Council.
- The work of the Task Group will be via email, internet and telephone. The Task Group is not expected to meet.
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- The Chairmanship of the Task Group will be reviewed on a periodic basis.
- The Chairman will provide a written progress report to the IRPA Executive Council at least annually, normally one month prior to each IRPA Executive Council meeting. Interim status information should be provided on request of the IRPA Executive Officer or the IRPA president.

Approved by the IRPA President

Signed



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(1) The World Institute for Nuclear Security, Vienna, Austria. (www.wins.org)