

Statement of Intent for the position of IRPA Communications Officer for the 2024-2028 Term

Dave Niven (Canadian Radiation Protection Association)

Dear colleagues,

I respectfully confirm my willing to stand for the position of IRPA Communications Officer for the 2024 – 2028 term.

Even though I only stepped into the role of Communications Officer two years ago, I have quickly come to understand the workings of the IRPA Executive Council and how IRPA functions. It certainly helped that I had already been assisting the then-current Communications Officer with the both the IRPA Bulletin and the website, and although there were big shoes to fill, I was grateful for the opportunity.

My roots in communications for radiation protection associations go back 15 years, as a member of the Canadian Radiation Protection Association (CRPA). I was a member, and then chair, of our Communications Committee, during which time I helped oversee a significant website update. Afterwards, I joined the CRPA Board as Communications Director for a two-year term. In 2018 I took on the role of editor of our CRPA Bulletin, and immediately led a successful transition from print to an online publication. In the last year, I struck our CRPA social media committee and also chaired an ad-hoc committee for our most recent website update.

As IRPA Communications Officer, I hope to develop a comprehensive strategy for IRPA communications that includes our website, email, Bulletin and social media channels. Improving our contact list and tracking and trending of all data associated with communications would be integral to this strategy. This will ensure we make efficient use of our resources and expand our reach to as many radiation protection professionals as possible.

I am looking forward to the next term and the opportunities it will bring to work with the IRPA Executive Council and all our Associate Societies.

Sincerely,



Dave Niven
IRPA Communications Officer