CONCERT WP5: Stakeholder involvement and communication in radiation protection research

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Aims of WP5

- To establish mechanisms for public and societal stakeholders to have a say in developing research priorities (link to WP5)

- To establish routes to inform and educate public and societal stakeholders on the scientific basis of radiation protection (link to WP1)

- To provide consistent and clear information on implementation of radiation protection standards in Europe (link to WP1)
WP5 as part of CONCERT
WP5 Tasks

5.1 Strategy for public and societal stakeholder engagement (DH-PHE lead)

5.2 Establishing a stakeholder group (IRSN lead)

5.3 Interaction with civil society including use of social media (ISS lead)

5.4 Development of general and specialist information for the CONCERT website (DH-PHE, SCK-CEN lead)
WP5 Partners and key people

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All platforms
Task 5.1

Drafting a Strategy for engagement with public and societal stakeholders

- DH-PHE lead
- Discussion with key partners
- Draft anticipated M8
- Posted on CONCERT website M12
- Project deliverable D5.1
Task 5.2

Establishing a stakeholder group

- IRSN lead
- To provide a route for stakeholders to build their own opinion and to be heard within CONCERT
- To provide input to identify areas of concern where further information or research could be beneficial
- Draft Terms of Reference (M12)
- Appoint Chair and panel members (M12)
- Anticipate input relevant to WP3 (call priorities) and WP1 (website content)
Interaction with stakeholders and use of social media

- ISS lead
- Develop and launch a public facing eSurvey
  - gauge risk perception
  - what information would be beneficial?
  - which areas to research?
- Consider use of social media drawing on experience elsewhere
- Project deliverable D5.2 – launch of eSurvey
Task 5.4

Development of website information

- DH-PHE, SCK-CEN lead
- Aim to provide reliable and trusted information for a wide audience on radiation risk and radiation protection
- Topics to include will be informed by stakeholder panel and eSurvey
- Start small and grow over time
- Utilise existing web resources where available
- Also develop more technical information on implementation of radiation protection standards
Who are our stakeholders?

International bodies: ICRP, UNSCEAR, WHO

The scientific community

Users of radiation

- In the medical field: radiographers, medical practitioners
- In Industry: nuclear workers, radiographers, …
- Related to emergency situations: site remediators, emergency planners, waste disposal

Concerned citizens and NGO

- around nuclear site and beyond
- medical patients
- high radon home inhabitants
- ……
Who is responsible?

....the entire CONCERT partnership....
Thanks for your attention

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