

**Third Meeting of the Steering Committee  
of the International Action Plan on Occupational Radiation Protection (IAPORP)**

**IAEA Head Quarters, 28 – 30 January 2008**

**Draft Agenda**

***Monday, 28 January***

09.00 – 09.30: Registration

09.30 – 10.00: Welcome address (IAEA – ILO)

10.00 – 10.15: Administrative issues (IAEA Sec)

10.15 – 10.30: Introduction of the participants  
Approval of the meeting agenda  
Approval of the report of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting

10.30 – 11.00: Tea/Coffee Break

11.00 – 12.30: Session 1: Status of Actions 1 to 4

**Action 1:** *ILO, supported by the IAEA, to take steps to further promote the ratification and implementation of ILO Convention 115 (S.NIU)*

**Action 2:** *ILO to consider whether there is a need to review the procedures for requesting from Member States information on the implementation of ILO Convention 115 and to review the types of information being requested, so that peer reviews of occupational radiation protection programmes become more effective. Lessons learned from the application of the reporting criteria applied under the Convention on Nuclear Safety (IAEA document INFCIRC/449) may be a useful input. (S.NIU)*

**Action 3:** *The IAEA and ILO to continue to cooperate in the development of guidance and information material that will assist in the interpretation of requirements set out in conventions and standards, and in the conduct of further IAEA intercomparison of monitoring methods for assessing occupational exposure e(S.NIU – P.DEBOODT)*

**Action 4:** *ILO, in consultation with the IAEA, to consider the concerns over the terminology used in the code of practice and determine the most appropriate means of addressing them. (S.NIU)*

Open discussion

12.30 – 14.00: Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.30: Session 2: Status of Actions 5 to 8

**Action 5:** *ILO to make the list of contact points in its Member States and field structure available to the IAEA, which should inform the contact points about the latest available standards, guidance and advice developed at the international level and invite their representatives to relevant workshops, seminars and conferences. (S.NIU)*

**Action 6:** *The IAEA, in consultation with ILO, to develop publicity materials in the form of posters and leaflets that target groups of workers identified as likely to benefit directly*

*from the information provided — for example, workplace material designed to reduce the number of near misses and the risk of serious accidents(G.SADAGOPAN)*

**Action 7:** *The IAEA to provide a focal point, on a website, where networks may be established for exchanges of information, experience and lessons learned between interested parties (P.DEBOODT)*

**Action 8:** *The IAEA, in consultation with ILO and drawing on the experience of trade unions and other stakeholder organizations, to prepare and disseminate suitable information materials to workers' representatives and labour educators in order to promote a better informed workforce and better understanding generally among those concerned with exposure to radiation(G.SADAGOPAN)*

Open discussion

15.30 – 16.00: Tea/Coffee Break

16.00 – 17.30: Session 3: Status of Actions 09 to 12

**Action 9:** *The IAEA, in consultation with professional medical bodies such as the International Society of Radiology, to critically examine existing postgraduate education and awareness-raising packages for medical professionals, including those now being produced by ICRP, to establish the need for the development of further material, to develop further material as necessary and to disseminate the material developed.(M.REHANI)*

**Action 10:** *The IAEA, together with other co-sponsoring organizations, to engage with WHO in establishing the status of the draft Manual, and to encourage its finalization, publication and use as soon as possible.(M.REHANI)*

**Action 11:** *In support of this programme [on exposure to natural radiation], the IAEA to assist authorities in identifying activities involving exposure to natural radiation that may need to be controlled, and to generate and disseminate additional sector-specific information on radioactivity levels, exposure conditions, and chemical and physical characteristics of airborne pollutants in workplaces involving naturally occurring radioactive material.(D.WYMER)*

**Action 12:** *The IAEA and ILO to collaborate in devising strategies for achieving a better understanding between radiation protection practitioners on one hand and occupational health and safety practitioners on the other and for developing coherent approaches to safety in the workplace.(P.DEBOODT – S.NIU)*

Open discussion

17.30: End of the day

19.00: Social event

**Tuesday, 29 January**

09.00 – 10.30: Session 4: Status of Actions 13 and 14

**Action 13:** *The IAEA to review current information on this issue [standards for the protection of pregnant workers and their embryos and foetuses] in order to determine whether the issue warrants action at the international level. In addition to the work described in the presentations made at the Geneva Conference, relevant work has been*

*done in a number of countries and by a number of bodies (such as ICRP)(R.CRUZ SUAREZ)*

**Action 14:** *The IAEA, in collaboration with ILO, WHO, NEA and other relevant bodies and drawing on the experience of other stakeholders, to continue its work on developing international guidance for aiding decision-making on the attribution of cases of detrimental health effects to occupational exposure to ionizing radiation (WHO representative).*

Open discussion

10.30 – 11.00: Tea/Coffee Break

11.00 – 11.30: Present status of the BSS Revision process

11.30 – 12.30: Update of the IAPORP work plan 2008-2009

12.30 – 14.00: Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.30: Summary of the presentations and discussions –

15.30 – 16.00: Tea/Coffee Break

16.00 – 17.30: Perspectives for the IAPORP: Open discussion

***Wednesday, 30 January***

09.00 – 10.30: Main conclusions of the meeting – Next meeting

10.30 – 11.00: Tea/Coffee Break

11.00 – 11.30: Closing address