EMRAS – Theme 2 Remediation of Sites with Radioactive Residues

**Urban Remediation Working Group** 

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# **Objective of the Working Group**

Testing and improving the prediction of dose rates and doses to humans for urban areas contaminated with dispersed radionuclides

### **Specific Objectives**

- Prediction of changes in radionuclide concentrations and dose rates as a function of location and time
- Identification of the most important pathways for human exposure
- Prediction of the reduction in radionuclide concentrations and dose rates expected to result from specific countermeasures or remediation efforts

#### **Progress of Working Group**

- Meeting in June 2006
- Summary of models and capabilities
  - Literature survey on modeling approaches
- Two modeling scenarios
  - Pripyat (Chernobyl data)
  - Hypothetical (RDD event)
- Draft Working Group report

### Summary of models and capabilities

- Literature survey prepared by Florence Gallay
- Initial presentation in May 2005
- Distributed to WG participants in October 2006

#### Pripyat scenario description

- Chernobyl fallout
  - Town was evacuated, remained largely uninhabited
- Phased approach
  - (A) Contaminated urban environment, undisturbed (no human activity)
  - (B) With normal human activity
  - (C) With effects of defined remediation efforts
- Districts #1 and #4 of Pripyat
- Time series of dose rates and contaminant concentrations



## District #1 of Pripyat



- Nine defined locations
- Four outdoors, corresponding to locations for some measurements
- Five indoors
  - Residential building
  - Schools

#### **District #4 of Pripyat**



- 15 locations
- Six outdoors
  - A few correspond to locations for measurements
- Nine indoors
  - Residential buildings
  - School

#### Model results for Pripyat

- Four modelers have made calculations
- Results from three modelers for discussion at this meeting
- Comparison with test data when available
- Selected examples



dose rate µGy/h



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## Plans for modeling exercise with Pripyat scenario

- Full scenario description distributed in May 2006
- Preliminary predictions discussed in November 2005, June 2006
- Additional measurements made in July 2006
- Predictions to be compared with test data (measurements) at this meeting

### Modeling scenario for hypothetical situations

- Hypothetical scenario will deal with deliberate release of radioactive material
  - Radiological dispersal device
  - Pripyat scenario deals with an accidental release of radioactive material
- Opportunity to model initial contamination event and effectiveness of countermeasures











# Plans for modeling exercise with hypothetical scenario

- Draft scenario discussed in June 2006
- Revised scenario distributed in October 2006
- Plans for discussion at this meeting

## Plans for current meeting

- Presentation and discussion of model results for Pripyat scenario
- Comparison of model results with test data
- Discussion of hypothetical scenario (deliberate contamination event)
- Discussion of modeling approaches
  - Urban contamination generally
  - Countermeasures
- Discussion of draft WG report