



European Training and Education in Radiation Protection

EUTERP Foundation Activities

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Background

European Commission concerns prompted the formation of the EUTERP Foundation in 2010 :

- Lack of mobility of radiation protection experts (RPEs) across the European Union
- Differing interpretations of both the knowledge and training requirements for RPEs in different member states

EUTERP aims

- A common understanding of the roles of RPEs and RPOs
- Harmonized education and training for RPEs
- Mutual recognition to facilitate mobility for RPEs
- Appropriate training for RPOs and all radiation workers
- A focus for, and liaison with, all stakeholders that have RP education and training in their activities

EUTERP activities

- Encouraging National Contact Points in all European states
- Reference syllabus for training of RPEs
- Development and testing of modular training courses
- Stakeholder participation in training developments
- Liaison with HERCA on the recognition of RPEs
- Partner in the ENETRAP III project

- Development of the EUTERP website www.euterp.eu
- Newsletters and regular information dissemination
- Social media strategic planning
- Organization of workshops on RP training topics
- Collaboration with international conferences – e.g. ERPW 2017, France, autumn 2017; European IRPA Congress, summer 2018
- Liaison with other international organizations

Main achievements

- Self-sustainable entity since June 2010 with a dynamic web site and a growing number (25) of EUTERP Associates
- Advice to the EU on the definitions, roles and duties of the RPE and RPO for the EU BSS 2013 (Guidance published 2016)
- 4 Workshops: Cyprus autumn 2011; Croatia, spring 2014; Greece, autumn 2015; Malta, "Optimizing Radiation Protection Training" **this week**
- European RP course and opportunities database on the EUTERP web site: beta-testing by the Associates, migrated to new server

Conclusion

EUTERP provides a portal for radiation protection education and training activities in Europe. It liaises with other European organizations, participating in projects and events to develop and enhance training activities, and promote a common understanding of the training requirements for all persons involved in activities using ionizing radiation.

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