

EUROPEAN TRAINING AND EDUCATION IN RADIATION PROTECTION FOUNDATION

The EUTERP Foundation is an independent legal entity set up to provide a centralised European source of information on radiation protection education and training matters.

Introduction

In Europe, a common vision for maintaining competences in radiation protection is emerging, focusing on a common denominator for qualification of radiation protection experts (RPEs) and radiation protection officers (RPOs), and for mutual recognition and mobility of these professionals across the European Union and related countries.

Started as an initiative of the European Commission, the EUTERP Platform has been transformed into a legal entity under Dutch law in June 2010.

Main objectives of the EUTERP Foundation are:

- to encourage and support harmonisation of education and training requirements for radiation protection experts, officers and radiation workers in general, facilitating the mobility of these professionals;
- to better integrate radiation protection education and training systems into general vocational training and education infrastructures, facilitating the attendance to courses;
- to act as a central focus for the sharing of information on training events, standards, developments, and all other related information.

The EUTERP Foundation ensures information exchange between all stakeholders in education and training through:

- the website www.euterp.eu;
- publication of regular newsletters;
- organization of workshops.

Links are provided to other networks covering many radiation protection areas.

National contact points

The NCP's play an important role in the EUTERP organisation. They disseminate information at the national level and keep EUTERP and its members informed about national regulatory requirements, national certification schemes for radiation protection experts, officers and workers, etc.

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