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ICRP Main Commission Meeting

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For the first time since November 2019, the ICRP Main Commission met in person, although several members participated by video conference due to ongoing pandemic-related travel restrictions.

The reports **Cancer Risk from Exposure to Plutonium and Uranium**, and **Radiation Detriment Calculation Methodology** were approved for publication at or prior to the meeting.

The Task Group 110 draft report **Radiological Protection in Veterinary Practice** was approved for public consultation.

Task Group 121 Effects of Ionising Radiation Exposure in Offspring and Next Generations was established. To further openness and transparency, and find the best expertise, ICRP will openly solicit expressions of interest to join this Task Group in 2022. The same will be done when establishing future Task Groups.

Considering the **review and revision of the System of Radiological Protection** and informed by the recent ICRP <u>Workshop on the Future of Radiological Protection</u>, the Main Commission prioritised establishing Task Groups on several topics in the next 6-12 months, including: **biomedical research**, **cancer risk models**, **ecosystem services approach for protection of the environment**, **effective dose in medicine**, **justification**, and **non-radiation factors in detriment**. Priorities for the next several years were also discussed.

Practicalities of ensuring accessible, open, transparent, and meaningful collaboration during the review and revision were discussed, including topical workshops on work in progress (virtual, in-person, and hybrid), and webinars on completed publications. The ICRP symposia will play an important role in this, including ICRP 2021⁺¹ to be held in Vancouver, Canada, 7-10 November 2022.

To manage the need for additional resources necessary to manage the significant increase in collaborative efforts for the review and revision over the next decade, ICRP is seeking additional financial support, and establishing for part-time, remote secondments to the ICRP Scientific Secretariat. This complements the existing arrangements for mentorship, internship, and Assistant Scientific Secretaries, which support ICRP while creating unparalleled opportunities for professional growth, networking, and understanding how ICRP works from the inside.