

Cooperation agreement between EAN and EFOMP

The European ALARA Network (hereafter called EAN), aims to maintain, enhance and develop competence in radiation protection with special emphasis on the implementation of the ALARA principle for occupational, public and patients' exposures as represented by the Chairperson of the EAN Administrative Board.

The European Federation of Organisations for Medical Physics (hereafter called EFOMP) aims to develop competence in radiation protection with special emphasis on the implementation of the ALARA principle in the Medical sector, and, in particular with regard to the ALARA principle represents the interests of the EFOMP National Member Organisations in the area of radiation as represented by the President of EFOMP.

The above mentioned parties have noticed that they are following common objectives in terms of improving the radiological protection of workers and patients in the medical field within the European countries and they have agreed to establish a partnership in order to:

- Exchange information of interest both of their activities and on the situation dealing with the optimisation of protection issues with regard to worker and patient exposures in Europe.
- Cooperate in a European Medical ALARA Network dealing with workers and patient exposure management, harmonising national radiation protection requirement guidelines for the promotion of good ALARA practices in the medical sector.
- Work together in particular in the following areas of activity:
 - Formulation of the ALARA approach to the radiation protection culture.
 - Collection and distribution of examples of good ALARA practice in medicine.
 - Mutual representation in their respective programme planning committees for all events related to medical radiation protection, including education and training.

Both parties agree that they shall find resources for reaching their common objectives.

The parties agree that all common results or recommendations from common actions will be free for use by each of the parties.

The parties agree to inform their members about the projects/actions when relevant.

The parties agree to envisage setting up any other common action of interest for both, taking care of any opportunity that should occur.

Both parties agree to review this agreement two years following signature.

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For EAN

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