

ICRP Committee 4 Virtual Meeting

October 26, October 27, November 18, 2020

With the ongoing pandemic, ICRP Committee 4 (C4) met virtually in late October and early November.

Work of the Task Groups (TGs)

The committee noted the improvements of the draft report of *TG98 on Exposures arising from Contaminated Sites* and provided advice to progress the draft.

C4 also reviewed the report of *TG97 on Surface and Near-Surface Waste Disposal*. The draft will be prepared for review by Liaison Organisations following completion of Main Commission critical reviews.

C4 examined the on-going work of *TG114 on Reasonableness and Tolerability in the System of RP*. It should continue in liaison with international organisations and in cooperation with TG 98, TG 105 and TG 109. The first draft is expected for the next committee meeting.

C4 discussed the detailed outlines of the report of the C3/C4 *TG109 on Ethics in RP for Medical Diagnosis and Treatment*. The draft report is on track. It is also the case of the draft report of the C3/C4 *TG110 on RP in Veterinary Practices*, which now covers the protection of professionals, the public and animals as patients.

The report of *TG93 on Protection in the Event of a Nuclear Accident* has been approved for publication in July, and will shortly be published as *Publication 146*. The resolution of the comments from public consultation were presented to C4.

The work of updating Publication 96 to cover *RP for radiation emergencies and malicious events* will be further considered regarding scope and relationship to work needed to support the development of new ICRP recommendations.

C4 will contribute to two C1 future TGs: on *circulatory diseases* and on *offspring and next generations*.

Reflections about the ICRP system

C4 provided an input to an ICRP programme of work for the next two terms in the perspective of the *Review of the ICRP System*. In that perspective, it made suggestions on the further development of the *ICRP Glossary*. C4 also shared experience about *COVID-19* management, identifying similarities and differences with radiological emergencies.

Finally, C4 discussed the *arrangements for the next term*.