Second North American Workshop on the Ethical Dimensions of the System of Radiological Protection

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The International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) has established Task Group 94 to develop a publication on the ethical foundations of the system of radiological protection, aiming to consolidate the basis of ICRP’s recommendations, to improve the understanding of the system and to provide a basis for communication on radiation risk and its perception.

To support this effort, a series of regional workshops is being held. The first in this series were held in Daejeon (Korea), Milan (Italy), and Baltimore (USA), supported by the local Associate Societies of the International Radiation Protection Association.

Collaboration between radiological protection professionals and applied ethicists in these and other related workshops has resulted in significant progress, including identifying and characterising some of the key values that underlie the system of radiological protection.

A second series of regional workshops is planned for 2015, to include meetings in Madrid (Spain) February 4-6, Fukushima City (Japan) June 2-4, and this one in Cambridge (USA) March 10-12.

The format of this three-day workshop will include a number of talks on key issues and discussion of specific questions in breakout groups, culminating in a plenary session. Speakers from the International Commission on Radiological Protection and the Harvard Kennedy School Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs are already confirmed; others are being sought.

Continuing education credits will be requested from the ABHP for attendance.