

ICRP Main Commission Meeting

October 23-30, 2011 – Bethesda, USA

The Main Commission of the International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) met in Bethesda, USA, October 23-30, 2011, in conjunction with the annual meetings of the five ICRP Committees and the first ICRP Symposium on the International System of Radiological Protection held October 24-26.

The *ICRP Strategic Plan 2011-2017* was released during the week, and will be made available for download through the ICRP web site shortly.

Four reports were approved for publication, and will appear as issues of the Annals of the ICRP:

- *Radiological Protection in Paediatric Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology*
- *Radiological Protection in Cardiology*
- *Radiological Protection in Fluoroscopically Guided Procedures Performed outside the Imaging Department*
- *Compendium of Pre-ICRP Publication 103 Dose Coefficients for use in Radiological Protection of Workers and Members of the Public*

The draft report *Occupational Intakes of Radionuclides, Part 1* was approved for public consultation. This is the first of four planned reports in this series. ICRP recommends that pre-ICRP *Publication 103* dose coefficients continue to be used until the full set of occupational dose conversion coefficients following ICRP *Publication 103* has been published.

The draft report *Radiological Protection against Radon Exposure* was approved for public consultation for an extended consultation period of approximately 180 days.

Dr Abel González made an interim report of the work of ICRP Task Group 84 on *Initial Lessons Learned from the NPP Accident in Japan vis-à-vis the ICRP System of Radiological Protection*. A final report is expected in approximately one year.

Dr R Julian Preston, retired effective October 31, 2011, was thanked for his service to ICRP, and *Dr William Morgan* was welcomed as his successor as a Main Commission member and Chair of ICRP Committee 1 on radiation effects.

The *First ICRP Symposium on the International System of Radiological Protection* was a success. In attendance were approximately 400 people from 35 countries. ICRP has begun to plan for a second such symposium to be held in conjunction with the next biennial joint meetings of the Main Commission and Committees during the latter part of 2013.