

UPCOMING EVENTS

16-20 March 2015

Training Course on "Preparedness and Response for Nuclear and Radiological Emergencies", Mol, Belgium

27-29 April 2015

NERIS Workshop 2015 & 6th General Assembly, Milano, Italy

15-17 June 2015

RICOMET 2015, Brdo Castle, Slovenia

21-25 September 2015

Training Course "Late Phase Nuclear Accident Preparedness and Management", Gomel, Belarus

7-9 October 2015

Training Course "Analytical Platform – Scientific methods and tools for information collection and exchange", Trnava, Slovak Republic

12-13 November 2015

PREPARE WP₃ Workshop, Paris, France

20-22 January 2016

PREPARE Dissemination Workshop, Bratislava, Slovak Republic



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EDITORIAL

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For the first time at the end of April, NERIS will organise its workshop based on call for abstracts from the NERIS community. The quality of the papers received for this workshop raises hopes for an event rich in discussion and debate on the current results of the research and identification for further development on emergency and recovery issues. This step is crucial to reinforce the NERIS strategic research agenda in the context of the increasing cooperation with the other European Research Platforms (MELODI, ALLIANCE and EURADOS) with the second OPERRA call including synergetic topics and with the CONCERT project which will be signed in the following weeks and will make the joint programming of European radiation protection research a reality.

Among the challenges for NERIS in the coming years, it is worth mentioning the dissemination of the results of the research projects through publications and presentations notably to European and international organisations. It is also important to strengthen the cooperation with our Japanese colleagues in order to draw lessons from the Fukushima accident for preparing the management of emergency and recovery situations. I am convinced that the series of meetings planned for 2015 should help to achieve this goal.

Thierry Schneider, President of the NERIS Platform

FEEDBACK FROM RECENT EVENTS



PREPARE WP6 Workshop

PREPARE WP6 Workshop "Managing complexity in nuclear accidental situations - Information and participation of local populations building a response", Tromsø, November 10-11, 2014

The workshop "Managing complexity in nuclear accidental situations - Information and participation of local populations building a response" was organised on 10th-11th November 2014 in Tromsø, Norway). Gathering 24 participants from Japan and EU, the workshop had aimed to investigate and assess processes of information and participation of the local population at the individual and community level in a post-accident situation (after the emergency phase). This was achieved through sharing and discussing concrete experience of post-Fukushima and post-Chernobyl situation respectively with Japanese and Norwegian actors.

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Tromsø, November 2014

PREPARE WP6 Workshop "Managing complexity in nuclear accidental situations - Information and participation of local populations building a response", Tromsø, November 10-11, 2014 (...)

This workshop was organised in the framework of the work package on "information and participation of the public" of the PREPARE European research project, which aims to review existing operational procedures for dealing with long lasting radioactive releases. It is the second workshop of a series of three events that successively focus on a specific sphere of information identified in the emergency and post-accident management situations:



1. the emerging system of expertise (Lisbon, Portugal, 28th-29th November 2013).
2. the system of information and action at the local level (Tromsø, Norway, 10th-11th November 2014)
3. the conventional and social media (Brdo, Slovenia, 15th 17th June 2015)

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NEWS



Second set of recommendations from the Japan Health Physics Society on radiation protection issues after Fukushima accident

The Japan Health Physics Society (JHPS) has issued the 2nd set of recommendations on radiation protection issues after Fukushima accident. This report contents a review of responses and recommendations after accident from the viewpoint of radiological protection. The following issues are covered:

- Environmental radiation monitoring
- Prediction of diffusion of radioactive materials
- Evacuation of residents
- Radiation exposure
- Communication to the public
- Nuclear emergency preparedness

The report is available from the JHPS website: http://www.jhps.or.jp/jhp/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/JHPS-issues_and_recommendationsrecom.pdf

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International Training Course on "Preparedness and Response for nuclear and radiological emergencies", March 16-20, 2015, Mol

The next edition of the Training Course on "Preparedness and response for nuclear and radiological emergencies", organised by the Belgian Nuclear Research Centre SCK•CEN in the framework of the FP7 project PREPARE and the European platform NERIS on emergency and post-accident preparedness and response, with support from the SCK•CEN Academy for Nuclear Science and Technology, will take place from **March 16-20, 2015 in Mol, Belgium**.

This Course is focused on the early to intermediate phases after a nuclear or radiological accident (see objectives and contents of the Course in the article above on "**Feedback from recent event**").

The course is limited to 25 participants. For registration, please use the [course website](#).

For further information, please contact [Catrinel Turcanu](#) or [Johan Camps](#) from SCK-CEN and visit the NERIS Website (www.eu-neris.net).

NERIS Workshop 2015, April 27-29, 2015, Milan

This Workshop, organised in cooperation with the University of Milano, will cover the **State of the art and Needs for further research for emergency and recovery preparedness and response**. The NERIS Workshop 2015 will provide an opportunity to **discuss and exchange with NERIS Members, International organisations and European Research communities on priorities for the NERIS Platform**.

36 papers will be presented through 6 sessions and a round table will be organised:

- Challenges in atmospheric and aquatic modelling
- Improvement of existing decision support systems
- Improvement of the decision-making-processes and the implementation of the Basic Safety Standards
- Stakeholder engagement and dialogue
- Information and social media
- Research coordination and table round

[Registration](#) before March 31, 2015

[Participation fees:](#)

Participation fees will be requested for the organization and the Workshop dinner:

- **200€ for NERIS supporting organisations**
- **250€ for NERIS members or other organisations**

[Venue and accommodation](#)

The Workshop will be held at Palazzo Greppi, room "Sala Napoleonica" - Via S. Antonio 12 – 20122 Milano

[Call for poster](#)

You are encouraged to submit a poster presentation. All topics related to the 3 research areas of the NERIS SRA or related to the implementation of BSS on emergency and recovery issues are welcomed to our **session "posters"**.

For programme, registration and further information, please visit the [NERIS Website](#) or contact the NERIS Secretary (Sandra Lafage - sec@eu-neris.net).

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Palazzo Greppi, Milano, Italy

Sixth NERIS General Assembly, April 29, 2015, Milan

The Sixth NERIS General Assembly will be organised at the occasion of the NERIS Workshop in **Milano** on **Wednesday April 29, 2015** from **1.30 pm to 4.30 pm**.

For the agenda and further information, please visit the [NERIS Website](#) or contact the NERIS Secretary (Sandra Lafage - sec@eu-neris.net).

RICOMET, June 15-17, 2015, Brdo Castle



The first International Conference on Risk Perception, Communication and Ethics of Exposures to Ionising Radiation (RICOMET 2015) will be held from **15th to 17th of June 2015** in **Brdo Castle, Slovenia**. The conference is organised as part of task 6.3 in the PREPARE project and conjunction with similar tasks in the OPERRA and EAGLE projects.

The conference will be an **opportunity for extensive exchange of results from the scientific research and discussions on public communication, risk perception and ethics in the field of all nuclear applications** (e.g. industry, medicine, security), natural radioactivity (e.g. radon) and radiological protection (in nuclear and radiological emergency management, low doses, communicating uncertainty, mass media communication, public understanding of ionizing radiation, EU research needs ...)

Further information and the invitation are available at: <http://ricomet2015.sckcen.be/>

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Institute of Radiology, Gomel

Training Course "Late Phase Nuclear Accident Preparedness and Management", September 21-25, 2015, Gomel

The second edition of the training course on "Late Phase Nuclear Accident Preparedness and Management" will take place from **September 21-25, 2015 in Gomel, Belarus**. The course, limited to 24 participants, is organised by the Nuclear Protection Evaluation Centre (CEPN - France) and the Institute of Radiology (RIR - Belarus) in cooperation with NERIS, in the framework of the EC FP7 "PREPARE" Project.

Objectives

The main objective of the course for late phase nuclear accident preparedness and management is to provide principles and practical guidance for the key players involved in the preparedness for rehabilitation of living conditions in contaminated areas in the aftermath of a nuclear/radiological accident.

Target audience

- Technical and radiological advisors (radiological protection and safety authorities)
- Health physicists
- Health and food safety authorities representatives
- Personal staff and professionals responsible for the overall policy and organisation of rehabilitation at the national and local levels
- Civil protection officers and emergency workers
- As well as all other interested persons

Registration

Registration is available at the following link:

<http://www.planetReg.com/E1024817161049> or on the NERIS Website

Deadline: 15 July 2015

There is no registration fee, however, participants are expected to cover their own travel and subsistence costs (including meals, hotel room and Visa costs).

Venue & hotel accommodation

The course is held at the Institute of Radiology (RIR), Fedyuninskogo street, 16, 246000 GOMEL, Belarus Republic.

Information on accommodation will be given after registration.

For further information, please visit the [NERIS Website](http://www.neris.eu) - contact Pascal Croüail (pascal.crouail@cepn.asso.fr) or Sandra Lafage (Sandra.lafage@cepn.asso.fr) from CEPN.



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Training Course "Analytical Platform – Scientific methods and tools for information collection and exchange", October 7-9, 2015, Trnava

The **Training Course on Analytical Platform - Scientific methods and tools for information collection and exchange** is organised by KIT (Germany), NCSR (Greece), CIEMAT (Spain), VUJE (Slovak Republic), SCK-CEN (Belgium) and MUTADIS (France) in cooperation with the NERIS Platform in the framework of the EC FP7 PREPARE Project.

The course, limited to 24 participants, will take place on **October 7-9, 2015 in Trnava (Slovak Republic)**.

Pre-registration deadline: April 30, 2015

For further information, please visit the [NERIS Website](#) - contact the hosted Coordinator ([Tatiana Duranova - `Tatiana.duranova@vuje.sk`](#)) or the NERIS Secretary ([Sandra Lafage - `sec@eu-neris.net`](#)).

PREPARE WP3 Workshop, November 12-13, 2015, Paris

The final PREPARE WP3 Workshop **dedicated to post-accident management of the contaminated products** will be organised in cooperation with the NERIS Platform on **November 12-13, 2015 in Paris, France**.

This Workshop will be an **opportunity on one hand to discuss the PREPARE WP3 results** (lessons and conclusion of the Panels meetings organised in 11 countries), in the **presence of national stakeholders** and **on the other hand to share the results with international organisations** (European Commission, FAO, EFSA, WHO, OECD-NEA, IAEA, HERCA, ICRP, ...) and **Japanese colleagues** involved in the management of contaminated products after the Fukushima accident (CRIEPI, University of Fukushima, producers and consumers NGO's...).

PREPARE Dissemination Workshop, January 20-22, 2016, Bratislava

The **PREPARE Dissemination Workshop "Innovative integrative tools and platforms"** will be organised on **January 20-22, 2016 in Bratislava (Slovak Republic)**.

The Workshop will allow to **present the results of the PREPARE project and to collect feedback from the participants on the topics of potential future research activities**. The knowledge acquired during the project will be disseminated as well as the capability of the developed methods and tools in particular those of the Analytical Platform for collecting information, analysing any nuclear or radiological event and provide information about the consequences and its future development.

Pre-registration deadline: June 30, 2015

For further information, please visit the [NERIS Website](#) - contact the hosted Coordinator ([Tatiana Duranova - `Vuje`](#)) or the NERIS Secretary ([Sandra Lafage](#)).