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Abstract

Task 7.4 is to ensure the inclusion of the interests and requirements of E&T Working Groups of all radiation protection research platforms involved in the EJP in the planning and execution of the other tasks in WP7. In addition, there is an active Programme of dialogue with other interest groups and stakeholders in order to take account of common policies, resources, and funding streams.
The activities of year 2 are reported below.

Task 7.4: Coordination and collaboration on E&T policy and strategy

Specific tasks carried out during the period June 1st 2016 – May 31st 2017:

Continuous actions are taken, whenever opportunities are there on the occasion of meetings and conferences, to report (formally or informally) about the CONCERT project and specifically about the WP7 tasks to the stakeholder community (being groups like ENEN, EUTERP, EHRO-N, ENETRAP, etc.).

A dedicated workshop to explain more formal the E&T coordination tasks of CONCERT was organised in September 2016. In order not to duplicate efforts and to assure the availability of a large audience, it was decided to have this workshop as part of the E&T session at the RPW 2016 week in Oxford, to be hosted and organized by EUTERP.

The programme of this session first allows speakers of the platforms to provide a brief overview of E&T activities, addressing

- the overall aim of E&T work stream;
- the target audience for E&T activities;
- the intended outcomes of E&T activities;
- the established outputs, e.g. course materials;
- the observed frameworks e.g. ECVET, ECTS etc.;
- the initiatives taken to monitor evaluation of effectiveness of their E&T initiatives.

Afterwards time for a Q&A moment will be dedicated to a "debate/panel session". During this session E&T stakeholders can take a short moment to declare their statement regarding coordination of E&T activities.

The session programme looked as follows:

- Welcome by the session chairs (referring to the EUTERP and to the WP7 of CONCERT)
- Presentation of MELODI
- Presentation of Alliance
- Presentation of EURADOS
- Presentation of NERIS
- Presentation of CONCERT – with aim on WP7 activities, opening/linking to the debate
- Debate
- Closure

In addition, to facilitate information exchange and to enhance cross-fertilization, CONCERT stakeholders and the Platforms Melodi, Alliance, Eurados and Neris were also invited to the FP7 project ENETRAP III satellite meeting that will also be held during the same week. It is aimed at that this initiative will collect suggestions and recommendations from the stakeholders to coordinate and collaborate on E&T initiatives in radiation protection in general.

Initiatives were taken to organize a second similar networking activity in 2017. This time the occasion of the combined 4th International Symposium on the System of Radiological Protection of ICRP and the 2nd European Radiation Protection Research Week of the European research platforms, to be held in Paris between 10-12 October 2017, was proposed. From contacts with the chair of the organizing committee, it is however not yet sure, whether this will be possible.