
NEWSLETTER

24th July, 2023

PIANOFORTE PARTNERSHIP NEWS

WP1: Management and coordination – PIANOFORTE event: “General Assembly and first Call selected projects presentation” will be held in Budapest from December 5, 2023 (14:00) to December 6, 2023 (14:00). The first half-day will be devoted to a PIANOFORTE general assembly to discuss feedback from the first Open Call and topics for the second Open Call. The second half-day will be dedicated to the presentation of projects selected during the first Open Call. The event will take place at the Mercure Budapest Castle Hill: <https://all.accor.com/hotel/1688/index.en.shtml>. Please put the dates into your agendas.

WP2: Prioritization of topics – Hybrid (face-to-face and online) meetings of WP2 + WP3 and WP2 are planned to take place as a satellite to ERPW in Dublin, on Friday 13th October 2023. Please arrange your travel plans accordingly.

WP3: Stakeholder involvement – In view of fostering exchange with radiation protection related European initiatives and to expand connections within the field of medical use of ionising radiation, WP3 has engaged with the European Mission on Cancer. As a starting point of collaboration Dr. Ana Fröbe as a member of the Mission Board for the Cancer Mission will join the PIANOFORTE SAB as a new member. Ana Fröbe is a clinical oncologist at the Department of Oncology and Nuclear Medicine of the University Hospital Centre Sestre Milosrdnice in Zagreb, Croatia.

WP4: Education and training – 4 calls for travel grants were organized since the start of the project and 15 early career researchers and 9 radiation protection professionals received funding. Also, 7 training courses during 2023 are supported, organized in Bulgaria, France, Germany, Italy, Italy and Sweden. A call is open to support networking of early career researches and professionals. Look at <https://pianoforte-partnership.eu> → calls for information about current calls for support in education and training.

WP5: Infrastructures – Pianoforte's work related to infrastructures continues to progress well. As noted previously, the WP has provided its first two deliverables (the Terms of Reference for the International Oversight Committee (IOC) and the Data Management Plan, both available on the project website). This year, work continues to centre on establishment and classification of the key RP research infrastructures as well as development of training programmes of relevance for the key infrastructures. A first successful online meeting of the

IOC was held recently (6 July 2023), with good representation from RP Platforms, the OFFER project and others. The IOC will have responsibility for helping design and administer the infrastructure funding streams for intercomparisons between key infrastructures and provision of training courses and exchanges for PIANOFORTE open call project participants and the wider community. A further WP 5 Task Leads meeting and face-to-face/hybrid meeting of the IOC are planned to take place as a satellite to ERPW in Dublin, on 13th October 2023. For any questions or information about Infrastructures in PIANOFORTE, please don't hesitate to contact Simon.Bouffler@ukhsa.gov.uk or Liz.Ainsbury@ukhsa.gov.uk.

WP6: Communication and impact – Hybrid (face-to-face and online) meeting of WP6 Task Leaders is planned to take place as a satellite to ERPW in Dublin, on Friday 13th October 2023. For any questions or information please contact Marie.Davidkova@suro.cz.

WP7: Organization of Calls – First OPEN CALL for projects is approaching the deadline for submissions (26th July, 2023, 15:00 CEST). Currently, the main activities focus on building a pool of experts who will be responsible for evaluating the submitted projects. Given the specialized nature of the topic, we kindly request your assistance in providing us with contact details of potential candidates who may be interested and eligible to participate in the evaluation process. Your help in identifying suitable individuals would be greatly appreciated. Please send your suggestions to CS.PIANOFORTE@ncbr.gov.pl.

FUTURE EVENTS

9TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES IN IONISING RADIATION RESEARCH

RICOMET 2023

The SHARE platform is organizing the 9th International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities in Ionising Radiation Research, which might be of interest. You can find more information at: <https://www.ricomet.eu/>. The conference will be held from 28th August to 1st September 2023 in Dessel, Belgium.

WORKSHOP: COMPETENCES FOR MEDICAL APPLICATIONS OF NUCLEAR SCIENCE

Workshop “Competences for Medical Applications of Nuclear Science” is organized by the EC Joint Research Centre (JRC) in Petten, Netherlands on 24th October 2023. PIANOFORTE partners interested to participate can contact directly JRC at jrc-02-meetings@ec.europa.eu.



Source: <https://visitors-centre.jrc.ec.europa.eu/en/media/photos/jrc-petten-netherlands>

ERPW 2023 - EUROPEAN RADIATION PROTECTION WEEK 2023

European Radiation Protection Week (ERPW, <https://www.ucd.ie/ERPW2023/>) is an annual, multidisciplinary, event which brings together experts and addresses current and emerging topics related to radiation protection. Under the Consortium of European Radiation Research Platforms (MEENAS Group), ERPW aims to:

- promote the integration and the efficiency of European research and development in radiation protection to better protect humans (public, patients and workers) and the environment;
- advance scientific excellence in radiation protection;
- maintain and develop European radiation protection research capacity;
- encourage scientific education and training and foster key research infrastructures in the field of radiation protection;
- foster international collaboration, including collaboration with sister organizations and networks, in a non exclusive manner by open interaction with the wider radiation protection research community and stakeholders (inclusive of patients and the public).

ERPW 2023 will be hosted by the University College Dublin from 9th to 13th October 2023 and will have a strong focus on medical applications of ionizing radiation and the associated radiation protection of patients, staff, and the public. On Friday 13th October, Pianoforte WP meetings will take place.

We remind you EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 31st July 2023.