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Interim Meeting of the IARR Council (Part 1)

Tuesday 2 September 2025, 13.30 – 14.30 CET

Palais des Académie, Brussels and online on MS Teams

Minutes

Council Members Present

President

Vice-President

Secretary-Treasurer

Councillor representing ERRS

Councillor for Medicine

Councillor for Epidemiology

Councillor representing SIRR

Councillor representing NVRB

Councillor representing ARR

Councillor representing SFBR

Councillors representing RRS

Councillor representing JARR

George Iliakis, Germany (in person)

Rhona Anderson, UK (in person)

Fiona Lyng, Ireland (in person)

Martin Falk, Czech Republic (in person)

Navita Somaiah, UK (online)

Kotaro Ozasa, Japan (online)

Silva Bortolussi, Italy (online)

Arlene Oei, The Netherlands (online)

Jonathan Coulter, UK (online)

Christophe Badie (online)

Bruce Kimler, Ashley Golden, US (online)

Satoshi Tashiro, Akihisa Takahashi, Hiroshi Harada, Japan
(online)

Apologies

Councillor for Biology

Councillor for Chemistry

Councillor representing PRRS

Councillor representing IRRS

Councillor representing AARR

Markus Lobrich, Germany

Rebecca Abergel, US

Dorota Slonina, Poland

Laure Marignol, Ireland

Kaushala Prasad Mishra, India

Council Members Absent

Councillor representing CCRR

Councillor representing RRS

Councillor representing IUR

Councillor for Physics

Councillor-at-large

representing SARS, AINSE, DeGBS, DGDR

Xu Su, China

Richard Britten, US

Carmel Mothersill, Canada

Karen Kirkby, UK

Michelle Durant, Australia

In attendance

Iva Falkova, CzMA (in person)

Jean-Pierre Pouget, SFBR (in person)

Qingjie Liu, Yanqin Ji, CCRR (online)



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1. IARR President George Iliakis (GI) welcomed the Council and the agenda was approved.
2. Prof. Dr Qingjie Liu presented the bid from the China Committee for Radiation Research (CCRR) to host ICRR2031.

Dr Jean-Pierre Pouget presented the bid from the French Society of Radiation Biology (SFBR) to host ICRR2031.
3. IARR Council members asked questions relating to the budget, transport, hotel availability and cost, student supports, the congress venues proposed and the weather at the dates proposed.
4. Following the questions, the bidders were requested to leave the meeting and a brief discussion of the bids took place. As the meeting was running late and the next session of ERRS2025 was due to start, it was decided to arrange a Part 2 meeting to further discuss the bids and the remaining items on the agenda.
5. GI thanked all Council members and closed the meeting at 14.29 (CET).

Memorialisation of Council actions conducted (by online voting) in the interval since the March 2024 Council meeting.

1. June 2024; Approved support for two small international meetings in the amount of €5000 each. (1) 3rd International Symposium of Radiobiology of Molecular Radionuclide Therapy, Rotterdam, The Netherlands. (2) NATO Advanced Research Workshop on Low dose radiation risks: present research and future perspectives, Yerevan, Armenia.
2. July 2024; Council and member societies unanimously approved amendments to the Constitution: (1) A discipline-defined Councilor to represent the field of Epidemiology was added. (2) Language was added to provide guidance for how to deal with fluctuations in the number of members within a member society that could potentially affect the number of Councilors to which the society was entitled. These amendments took effect July 11, 2024.
3. December 2024; Election of Kotaro Ozasa (Kyoto, Japan) to serve as Councilor representing Epidemiology.



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4. March 2025; Approved admission of new member society: French Society of Radiation Biology (SFBR). Subsequently, Christophe Badie was installed as Councillor representing SFBR on Council.
5. June 2025; Approved admission of new member society: International Union of Radioecology (IUR). Subsequently, Carmel Mothersill was installed as Councillor representing IUR on Council.
6. June 2025; Approved support for two small international meetings in the amount of €5000 each. (1) International Workshop on Advances in Radiation Biology, Radioecology, Epidemiology, and Low-Dose Radiation Risk Modeling & Communication organised by Edouard Azzam to be held in Ottawa, Canada. (2) EPRBiodose2026 organised by Ruth Wilkins to be held in Ottawa, Canada.
7. July 2025; Approved proposed amendments to the Constitution to add Sections XI and XII involving General Prohibitions and Distribution on Dissolution, respectively. It was then decided to pause the process (normally would be sent to member societies for ratification) until the matter of formally incorporating IARR had been resolved. Doing so may require some specific language be used in these sections. Council would then re-write the sections, approve the amendments and then distribute to member societies.
8. August 2025; Approved allocation of a fund up to £8000 for legal assistance to prepare and apply for IARR to hold status as a tax-exempt UK Charity.