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WORKSHOP

 ${\color{red} \textbf{October 15-17, 2015}} \ {\color{blue} \textbf{Lisbon School of Health Technology/Lisbon/Portugal}}$

Despite a large number of studies available from European countries, European Diagnostic Reference Levels (DRLs) for paediatric patients are only available for some common radiological examinations. There is a need to consolidate what is available and to provide guidance on what actions are needed for using DRLs to further enhance the radiation protection of children. The European Commission has approved a 27-month project aiming at:

- Agreeing on a methodology for establishing and using DRLs for paediatric imaging
- Updating and extending the European DRLs to cover more procedures and a wider patient age/weight range based on current knowledge.

The project is led by the **European Society of Radiology (ESR)** in close collaboration with the following consortium members:

- European Society of Paediatric Radiology (ESPR)
- European Federation of Radiographer Societies (EFRS)
- European Federation of Organisations for Medical Physics (EFOMP)
- Finnish Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority (STUK) with Public Research Centre Henri Tudor (CRP-HT) as subcontractor

As part of the project, a European Workshop will be held in Lisbon/PT from October 15–17, 2015.

The **aims of the PiDRL Workshop** are to (a) present and discuss the project's results, (b) submit the draft European Guidelines for comments and critical review by a larger audience and (c) identify the needs for further action on DRLs and optimisation of radiation protection of paediatric patients.

The workshop is aimed at key stakeholders in paediatric imaging. In particular, the workshop will bring together radiologists, radiographers and medical physicists by giving them a forum to participate actively in discussions.

The **scientific programme** will consist of oral and poster presentations, round tables, review and keynote lectures and panel discussions. For more details, take a look at the programme: **www.pidrl.eu/workshop**.

Abstract call for oral and poster presentations:

Topic: Patient Doses from Paediatric Diagnostic and Interventional Procedures -

Establishment and Use of Paediatric DRLs

Submission: 15 January to 30 April 2015 at www.pidrl.eu/workshop

Workshop Registration: until 10 September 2015 at www.pidrl.eu/workshop

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