Global approach to NRO crisis Communication, do we need a European solution?

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Who is …

- Established by Commission Decision in 2007 as High Level Advisory Group on Nuclear Safety and Waste Management
- Comprises top regulators and senior civil servants from all 27 Member States as well as a Commission representative on equal footing (consensus principle)
- Three working groups
  - WGNS (nuclear safety)
  - WGWM (waste, spent fuel & decommissioning)
  - WGTA (transparency)
Major outcome

- Advice on draft directives
  - Framework for the nuclear safety of nuclear installations
  - Framework for spent fuel & nuclear waste management
- Guidance on the implementation of these Directives
- Better use of International Conventions
- First Regulatory Conference (June 2011)
- Stress tests
- Website www.ensreg.eu

WGTA

Improving in Transparency Arrangements

- Responsibility for ENSREG Website
- Principles for Openness and Transparency - HLG_p(2011-14)_57

Right balance between transparency and security is our crucial challenge
WGTA

Contacts with other Groups

- ENEF WG “Information & Transparency
  - “Liaison Officer”
- OECD NEA CNRA WGPC
  (Working Party on Public Communication of Nuclear Regulatory Organizations)
  - Overlapping membership
- “Aarhus and Nuclear” (ANCCLI – EC)

Crisis Communication

A European solution?

- Council Directive on informing the general public … in the event of a radiological emergency (89/618/Euratom)
- Commission communication on the implementation …. (91/C 103/03)
- ECURIE, USIE, bilateral agreements

DO WE REALLY NEED MORE ???
Some Personal experience

- “Media events”
  - no emergency, no exercise
    (remember Krško 2008 or Iodine 2011)

- Confusing advice
  - One year ago 27 European authorities giving advice to expatriates in Japan

- Reliable and quick information
  - Assessment capacities (internal, external)
  - NRO capacity for long-term events
  - Interagency communication
  - Informal networks

Need for global approach?

- Do we need a European Solution?
- Can we create a “perfect” system?
- Can we improve the situation?

Thank you for your attention!