

NERIS Management Board meeting

Tuesday 27th February 2018

9.30 – 11.30

Minutes

Participants

S. Andronopoulos (NCSR)
J. Camps (SCK • CEN)
T. Duranova (VUJE)
E. Gallego (UPM)
O. Isnard (IRSN)
W. Raskob (KIT)
T. Schneider (CEPN)

Excused

F. Gering (BfS)
C. Murith (FOPH)
D. Oughton (NMBU)

NERIS Secretariat: M. Maître (CEPN) & E. Lafranque (CEPN)

1. Review of the list of actions of the 29th Management Board meeting

New members to the NERIS R&D Committee

Need to contact V. Smith (EPA) and Lavrans Skuterud (NRPA) to propose them to be member of the NERIS R&D Committee.

- ▶ Send proposal to EPA (Veronica Smith) and NRPA (Lavrans Skuterud) (**J. Camps**)

The new NERIS R&D Committee members will be officially endorsed during the next NERIS General Assembly.

NERIS Knowledge Base

The NERIS Management Board members agree to address rapidly the topic of the knowledge base during the next NERIS General Assembly. The meeting of the WG Information, Participation and Communication, scheduled right after the NERIS GA will allow to discuss further the future use of this knowledge base, notably through the ENGAGE project.

International forum

Thierry Schneider informed the NERIS Management Board that invitations have been sent to the different international organisations (ICRP, IAEA, WHO, EC, HERCA, OECD-NEA) and propose them to be part of the NERIS international forum, scheduled on 25 April afternoon. For now, only 3 international organizations have confirmed their participation:

- ▶ ICRP – representative: J-F. LECOMTE
- ▶ WHO – representative: Z. Carr
- ▶ IAEA – representative: K. Smith

2. Feedback on the open Information and Networking Day of the European Radiation Protection Research Platforms (20 February 2018)

The NERIS Management Board members (Tatiana, Wolfgang, Eduardo, Thierry) who attended the Open Information and Networking Day agree to say that this meeting was a good exercise for research platforms to think about common research topics. The documents produced by the 5 European Research Platforms and by SSH network are now available on the CONCERT website. Concerning the NERIS Platform itself, some common research topics with EURADOS and ALLIANCE have been clearly identified and could present interesting future developments.

However, regarding all the common work achieved for this information day, the remaining question is the future of this work and the way it will be considered for the next European calls.

NERIS Management Board members agreed to:

- ▶ Publish the common research topics identified during the open information day on the NERIS Website (**M. Maître**)
- ▶ Share within the management board members available information on the different consortium which will be set up for the next EURATOM Call and see how to push some joint research gaps analysis of interest for NERIS.

3. Evaluation of the programme FP6-FP7

Thierry Schneider informs the NERIS Management Board that an evaluation of the EURATOM fund calls FP6 and FP7 will be part of the next EURATOM call (NFRP9). During the CONCERT management board, SCK • CEN expressed its interest to take the lead of this evaluation process. In this context, Thierry Schneider wants to highlight the fact that there is a clear need to involve the research platforms in this process and see how the projects funded by the EURATOM calls have provided new inputs on RP research. Some international organisations as for example HERCA, could be contacted to collect their views on these projects and demonstrate their usefulness in some ways. All NERIS Management Board members agree to say that this evaluation has to consider not only SSH issues by sending questionnaires or else, but above all, it has to be in more depth connection with RP experts directly involved in these funded projects.

- ▶ Contact Hildegard Vandenhove and inform her that the NERIS Platform wish to be involved in the core group of this evaluation process. (**T. Schneider**)

4. ERPW18

Thierry Schneider informs the NERIS Management Board members that the ERPW18 (1-5 October 2018) will propose to have 3 days of workshop and 2 days of meetings of project:

- ▶ Monday - plenary session
- ▶ Tuesday (all day) and Wednesday morning - meetings of platforms & projects
- ▶ Wednesday afternoon – plenary session
- ▶ Thursday - CONCERT reporting meetings
- ▶ Friday - CONCERT MB and possibility to have specific meetings of projects in parallel

Thierry Schneider reminds the NERIS Management Board that the NERIS Platform has proposed to organise a plenary session dedicated to Environment and Health Monitoring. It will be necessary to

propose speakers. One option is to propose one speaker who will be able to make a key note presentation (45 min) and then, let time for discussions with the audience.

Thierry Schneider also wants to highlight that some transversal sessions like 'risk assessment, uncertainties and communication' may be of interest for NERIS to propose speakers who could provide some illustrations of post-accidental situations.

- ▶ Identify speakers and communicate their names to Ivica Prlić **(all)**

Concerning the sessions dedicated to each Platform, Thierry Schneider invites the Management Board members to propose ideas for specific talks or meetings that might be of interest for the NERIS Community.

- ▶ Identify sessions or potential meetings which can be organised within the dedicated NERIS session.

5. ALLIANCE-NERIS Workshop

The ALLIANCE-NERIS Workshop will be held in Munich during the next 28th and 29th of March 2018. The programme is currently under finalisation, but it has been validated that two sessions will be organised on:

- ▶ Processes and environmental factors influencing the water- and solid-mediated fluxes of radionuclides from source to ocean: Improving the environmental impact assessment and management considering temporal and spatial issues.
- ▶ Combination of model predictions and measurements (big data sets) in various situations.

Thierry Schneider informs the NERIS Management Board members that the agenda needs to be finalized as soon as possible. So, potential speakers have to be proposed and invited to this workshop.

- ▶ Circulate the draft ALLIANCE-NERIS Workshop agenda and suggest speakers who can offer adequate presentations. **(all)**

Thierry Schneider also informs that following this common workshop, a joint synthetic document will be written and will highlight further developments that could embark both NERIS and ALLIANCE community in the framework of a new call.

It has also been noted that speakers invited by NERIS, as well as the NERIS Management Board members, the organising committee members and some other eligible people can have their travel expenses financially supported by the NERIS-CONCERT budget.

6. Progress of the NERIS Workshop

Mélanie Maître informs the NERIS Management Board that around 40 participants have already registered to the NERIS Workshop in Dublin. The detailed programme has been disseminated and a reminder will be sent again to the NERIS Community in mid-March.

Concerning the NERIS Young Scientist Award, NERIS Management Board members agree to let the Jury validates the evaluation grid right before the beginning of the workshop. NERIS Management Board members asked to send the abstracts of each candidate to NERIS Young Scientist Award Jury.

7. Representation of NERIS on various event

Finnish Consortium for Radiation Safety Research – Cores (September 2018)

NERIS Management Board members agree to say that the Finnish event proposes topics that might concern NERIS activities and in this way, it might be necessary to have NERIS representatives during this event. As calendars of NERIS Management Board members are already booked, it is agreed to propose to Maarit Muikku, who works at STUK and who is involved in the NERIS R&D Committee, to represent NERIS at this event.

RICOMET (June 2018)

Again, NERIS Management Board members are on the same line to say that NERIS has to be represented during the RICOMET workshop. Wolfgang Raskob and Eduardo Gallego will participate to this workshop. Tatiana Duranova will attend the ENGAGE meeting at the beginning of the RICOMET workshop, and so may attend this workshop.

- ▶ Need to see if Eduardo Gallego and Tatiana Duranova can have their travel expenses supported on the NERIS-CONCERT budget (M. Maître).

Wolfgang Raskob informs the Management Board that some sessions of the RICOMET workshop may be of interest to propose NERIS presentations. It concerns more specially the session dedicated to European Platforms SRA.

- ▶ See in which way the NERIS Platform can propose some presentations during the RICOMET Workshop (T. Duranova, W. Raskob, E. Gallego).

8. Other issues

NERIS General Assembly

NERIS Management Board agrees to propose during the NERIS GA a dedicated presentation on the detection of Ruthenium 106 in Europe last past months.

Next NERIS Management Board meeting

The 31st NERIS Management Board is scheduled the 4th April 2019, 14:00-16:00. This meeting will be organised on Skype.