Stakeholder engagement is recognized as essential in the governance of radiological risk. But how is stakeholder engagement achieved? Whom does it include and why? How can it inform radiation protection practices and decision making?

This workshop will tap into participants’ expertise and experiences on these and related questions, with the aim of stimulating more effective and democratic governance of radiological risks. Three fields will be examined in detail: medical exposures to ionizing radiation, post-accident exposures, and exposure to indoor radon.

Workshop Aims:
- To share findings from the ENGAGE project and stimulate mutual learning;
- To co-develop recommendations for enhanced stakeholder participation in the aforementioned three fields.

Workshop Format:
The workshop will consist of presentations, panels and facilitated group discussions, addressing:
- The connection between stakeholder engagement prescriptions and practice;
- The conditions for meaningful participation and commitment of institutional and non-institutional stakeholders;
- Bridging risk assessment, risk management and risk communication approaches and stakeholders;
- Alignment of different decision levels: local, regional, national and international;
- Informed decision-making (role of communication, access to information, informed consent);
- Radiation protection cultures, including objectives, target stakeholders, content, tools, evaluation processes;
- Broadening the scope of ‘participation’ in radiation protection beyond formal institutional approaches;
- Education, training and capacity building.

Participants:
The workshop is open to policy-makers, responsible authorities, non-governmental organizations, researchers, members of the radiation protection platforms, journalists, and any other stakeholders from related fields and civil society that in any form have a stake in radiation protection decision making.
Background Information:
ENGAGE is part of CONCERT, funded under the H2020 CONCERT European Joint Programme. It aims at developing theory, practice and guidelines for stakeholder engagement in relation to medical exposures to ionizing radiation, post-accident exposures, and exposure to indoor radon.

The ENGAGE project objectives are to i) answer the questions why, when and how are stakeholders engaged in radiation protection issues; ii) develop novel approaches to analyzing stakeholder interaction and engagement; iii) investigate processes for enhancing radiation protection culture and their role in facilitating stakeholder engagement; and iv) provide recommendations and build a knowledge base for stakeholder engagement in radiation protection.

For more information about the project please visit the ENGAGE web page [http://www.engage-concert.eu/](http://www.engage-concert.eu/).

Dates and venue:
The workshop will take place from September 11 until September 13, 2019 on the premises of Lindner Hotel Gallery Central in Bratislava, Metodova 4, Slovak Republic. ([https://www.lindner.de/en/bratislava-hotel-gallery-central/welcome.html](https://www.lindner.de/en/bratislava-hotel-gallery-central/welcome.html)).

The workshop will start with registration and welcome lunch on September 11 at 12:00, and will conclude on September 13 at 12:30.

Accommodation:
We recommend accommodation at the Lindner Hotel Gallery Central. The Lindner Hotel offers rooms for a reduced price for workshop participants until the end of June 2019. To reserve a room, please fill in the [hotel booking form](http://www.engage-concert.eu/), with 'ENGAGE Workshop' as subject and send it to the hotel (reservations.bratislava@lindnerhotels.com).

Working language:
All sessions will be held in English.

Registration:
The workshop receives funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the CONCERT project grant agreement No 662287 and thus it is free of charge. Participants are expected to cover their own travel and subsistence costs. While there is no registration fee, registration is required by filling out the online registration form on the ENGAGE website at: [ENGAGE final workshop registration](http://www.engage-concert.eu/)

Further information:
For further practical information, please contact the host coordinator Tatiana Duranova (tatiana.duranova@vuje.sk) or the ENGAGE Project (engage@sckcen.be).

Important dates:
Registration deadline: August 10, 2019
Final project workshop: September 11-13, 2019