

The role and involvement of EFRS with other organisations

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RADIOGRAPHER SOCIETIES

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EFRS



European Umbrella Organisations

CIRSE

Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiological Society of Europe www.cirse.org

EFRS have had formal relationship with CIRSE for several years

- Organising the CIRSE Radiographer workshops until 2016

EFRS board and management met with CIRSE leadership during ECR 2017 to discuss areas of future cooperation.

The two organisations signed a MoU August 2017.

EANM

European Association of Nuclear Medicine www.eanm.org

**EFRS-EANM MoU was updated
and renewed in February 2017**

Board of directors:

President: **Kristoff Muylle** (Belgium)

President-Elect: **Wim Oyen**

Treasurer: **Jolanta Kunikowska** (Poland)

Committee Coordinator: **Roberto Delgado**

Bolton

- EANM has a Nuclear Medicine Technologists committee (radiographers) committee.
Chair: P. Fragoso Costa (Germany)
- This committee cooperates with the EFRS NM expert committee

EFRS liaison person for Nuclear Medicine:
Wim van den Broek

EFOMP

European Federation of Organisations in Medical Physics www.efomp.org



- EFRS was and still is involved with EFOMP in a number of EU projects.
- A two year bilateral agreement was signed in 2015 and renewed in September 2017.
- EFRS was invited to contribute in a joint session at the first European Congress of Medical Physics - ECMP. This will be repeated at next ECMP in 2018

ESMRMB

**European Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine and
Biology** www.esmrmb.org

EFRS is in the process of progressing a formal MoU with ESMRMB

President: **Prof. Rik Achten** – Belgium

Dr Jonathan McNulty is also:

- Director of the Hands-On MRI programme
- and an ex-officio member of the ESMRMB Executive Board and Education & Workshop committee.
- But not an official representative of the EFRS.

Executive Council (March 2017 - March 2018)

Board of Directors:

Chairperson:

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Immediate Past-President:

Katrine Riklund, Umeå/SE

EFRS-ESR MOU to be renewed in
November 2019.

EFRS participates in:

- **ESR PAG (Patient Advisory Group)**; Bodil Anderson
- **Clinical Audit and Standards sub-committee**; Håkon Hjemly
- **ECR E-learning sub-committee**; Jonathan McNulty, Andrew England, Eija Metsälä
- **PIER subcommittee (Professional Issues and Education)**; Jonathan McNulty



ESR related activities

ECR



Since 2012 the radiographer scientific subcommittee is nominated by the EFRS and responsible for design and quality of the ECR Radiographer sessions.





IDoR is an initiative of the European Society of Radiology (ESR), the American College of Radiology (ACR) and the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA).

IDoR is supported by EFRS **next to International Radiography Day.**

For 2017 EFRS contributed to IDoR with:

- ***“Team working within the emergency department – the developing role of the radiographer”*** (by Beverly Snaith and Petros Soulis)
- making the IDoR documents available for download from www.efrs.eu

www.internationaldayofradiology.com



The mission of EuroSafe Imaging is:

“to support and strengthen medical radiation protection across Europe”

by being the **Single Point of Contact** in Europe for Radiation protection and patient safety issues

- EFRS is member of the EUROSAFE Steering Committee
- EFRS are represented in several SC of Eurosafe
- YOU can become a FRIEND OF EUROSAFE

European special focus organisations





EUROPEAN INSTITUTE
FOR BIOMEDICAL
IMAGING RESEARCH

EIBIR

www.eibir.org

EIBIR aims to coordinate and support the development of biomedical imaging technologies and the dissemination of knowledge to improve diagnosis, treatment and prevention of disease.

- **EFRS is shareholder of EIBIR** since March 2014 (ESR owns 51%)
- **EFRS shareholdership** allows EFRS and affiliate members to join as EIBIR members and join bids for EU funding, mainly under Horizon 2020.

EURAMED European Alliance for Medical Radiation Protection Research

EFRS was actively involved in the establishment of this new consortium for **medical ionising radiation research**.

EURAMED represents a consortium of associations involved in the application of ionising radiation in medicine:

- the European Association of Nuclear Medicine (EANM),
- the European Federation of Organisations for Medical Physics (EFOMP),
- the European Federation of Radiographer Societies (EFRS),
- the European Society of Radiology (ESR)
- the European Society for Radiotherapy and Oncology (ESTRO)

with the goal of jointly improving medical care and its radiation protection issues through sustainable research efforts

EURAMED European Alliance for Medical Radiation Protection Research

EURAMED has now been legally established as an independent organisation by the five founding medical societies (since October 1st)

The first EURAMED Executive Board is:

President: John Damilakis, EFOMP

Vice-President: Klaus Bacher, EANM

Past President: Christoph Hoeschen

Secretary: Wolfgang Doerr, ESTRO

Treasurer: Graciano Paulo, EFRS

Member at large: Guy Frija, ESR

The EFRS representatives in EURAMED are:

Jonathan McNulty

Peter Hogg



Benchmarking Network

- The Network is a non-profit making organisation with all subscription fees funding the work programme and is the in-house benchmarking service of the NHS producing the most relevant and informed benchmarking comparisons available from anywhere in the NHS.
- First contact was made in January 2017
- EFRS was invited to present at the Annual NHS Benchmarking Radiology event held in September 2017

European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer

- The EORTC is an independent, non-profit cancer research organisation, with a mission to coordinate and conduct international translational and clinical research to improve the standard of cancer treatment for patients.
- Currently exploring areas of mutual interest and opportunities for collaboration between EFRS and EORTC
- Contact with Radiographer leads for EORTC trials (across Diagnostics and Treatment) – understand roles and structures within EORTC
- Discussion – Opportunities for educational collaboration are being explored
- Next steps – Chair of Scientific Committee ECR 2019 – exploring including an EORTC speaker in Refresher Course.



Just terminated the project exploring national implementation of the BSS Directive

Consortium members:

- European Society of Radiology, ESR;
- European Federation of Radiographer Societies, EFRS;
- European Federation of Organisations for Medical Physics, EFOMP;

EFRS representatives: **Graciano Paulo and Shane Foley**

The project outcomes remain for the exclusive use by the European Commission



European Skills, Competencies and Occupations

<https://ec.europa.eu/esco/portal/home>



The ESCO classification identifies and categorises skills, competences, qualifications and occupations relevant for the EU labour market and education and training.

- EFRS submitted tables with Radiographer knowledge, skills and competences for Medical Imaging, Nuclear Medicine and Radiotherapy
- The documents were accepted by ESCO and will appear in the on line classification system



ECIBC- EC Initiative on Breast Cancer

<http://ecibc.jrc.ec.europa.eu/>

The European Commission initiated a project to develop a

- **European quality assurance scheme** for breast cancer services
- underpinned by **accreditation**
- and referring to high quality, **evidence-based guidelines**

Plenary meeting on 21-22 November 2017, Italy

EFRS representative: **Sija Geers-van Gemeren**

World-wide organisations





www.isrrt.org

The formal cooperation agreement signed in 2013 was updated and renewed in March 2017

ISRRT & EFRS are involved in:

- the organisation of Radiation Protection workshops in Europe
- a joint request for revision of the Radiographer in the ILO (international Labour Organisation) classification system called ISCO (expected 2019)
- discussing an ISRRT initiative on justification
- WHO and IAEA initiatives/ activities in Europe

Contact about European matters



- IAEA - International Atomic Energy Agency
– Achieving Change in Practise
- WHO – World Health Organisation



IN CONCLUSION

EFRS plays a major role in representing all fields of the Radiography profession and is recognised and valued as a stakeholder by related organisations

“Together everything is possible”

“Be involved, make the difference”

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