



# International Radiation Protection Association

To all IRPA Associate Societies

6 November 2020

Dear Associate Society Colleagues,

## **Second consultation on a draft 'IRPA Guiding Principles on Reasonableness in Optimisation of Radiation Protection'**

You will recall that I wrote to you in May to begin a consultation on what we then called an IRPA Statement on Reasonableness in Optimisation of Protection. We are very grateful for the many comments received from the AS on this draft document, which have greatly added to its value. As we have always intended, we have now prepared an updated document which takes account of comments received. This has a slight change of title: IRPA Guiding Principles on Reasonableness in Optimisation of Radiation Protection.

This document is now issued for a second round of consultation with Associate Societies. Because there are many changes in this v2 draft, we also make available to you a marked-up copy which identifies where the changes from v1 have been made.

We consider that this second draft reflects the views from within the profession, but we also must take account of wider perspectives on this important topic. Hence during this consultation we are also seeking comment from a wide range of international organisations.

The draft of the proposed guidance is attached for your consideration. You are strongly requested to review and comment on the draft. We would appreciate receiving your responses by no later than **31 January 2021**.

Please send responses to both myself ([coates@irpa.net](mailto:coates@irpa.net)) and the Executive Officer ([exec.off@irpa.net](mailto:exec.off@irpa.net)).

With best regards,

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