



Breakout Session: Civil society

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EURAD-2 vision, objectives and principles – What about Civil Society?

EURAD Vision

A step change in European collaboration towards safe radioactive waste management (RWM), including disposal, through the development of a robust and sustained science, technology and knowledge management programme that supports timely implementation of RWM activities and serves to foster mutual understanding and trust between Joint Programme participants.

EURAD objectives

- Develop, maintain and consolidate the scientific and technical basis of radioactive waste management
- Address important & complex issues and enable expert networking
- Enhance knowledge management and transfer between organisations, Member States and generations
- Engage with Civil Society, in the spirit of the Aarhus Convention

EURAD principles

- Positive Participation
- Maintenance of Independence
- Transparent Governance
- Scientific Excellence Participation
- Balanced Programme

- Added Value
- Inclusiveness
 - Equitable Financing
 - Complementary
 - Tangible Results

Purposes of the session

1) Opening altogether the "black boxes"

- What is meant by: Dissemination, civil society, engagement; ..?
- What perspectives on these topics can be either fruitful or short-visionned?

1) Building the next steps together in EURAD-2

- Taking into account the existing actors and methods, what innovation can be brought to CS interactions?
- How Work Packages can be better embedded with the perspective of interactions with civil society?

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Three questions in one!

- → Dissemination
- → Connections with R&D
 - → Engagement

Method of the session

- Starting on existing initiatives
 - **Keynote** speaker : ASNR, on ambitious CS engagement processes
 - **Example** of EESC consultation on RWM
 - **Example** of ICS in EURAD-1 and EURAD-2
- Break 10:20 10:40
- Let's discuss the questions!
 - Addressing three core questions
 - Via a World Café
 - Summaries and synthetic views