Dear Colleagues,

The Life Sciences Working Group (LS-WG) of the ICRM is planning a meeting to take place on the **8-9 April 2024** hosted by **the National Centre for Nuclear Research**, **Radioisotope Centre POLATOM** in **Warsaw**, **Poland**. As you may be aware, the Liquid Scintillation Counting Working group (LSC-WG) is planning a meeting on 11-12 April at the same venue (details sent separately by the LSC-WG Coordinator). These meetings have been scheduled together to take advantage of the large overlap in these groups and potentially make it easier to plan and justify travel. There will be an opportunity to visit the POLATOM laboratories on 10 April between the two working group meetings. Please be aware plans are still being finalized.

The purpose of the Working Group meeting will be to discuss issues that typically cannot be addressed at the general ICRM meeting due to time limitations. Additionally, open discussions are encouraged on topics suggested by the participants. Learning opportunities are available for those new to the field. The goal is to also provide an opportunity for members of the LS-WG to present results of works in progress (or recently completed), as well as to plan future LS-WG activities.

The specific agenda will be drawn up in March, subject to the interests of the participants. Potential topics are:

- New standardizations of radionuclides used in nuclear medicine
- New nuclear data for radionuclides used in nuclear medicine
- Transfer of standards to users
- Standards for nuclear medicine imaging
- Monte Carlo simulation of radionuclide calibrator response to beta-emitters
- Collection and sharing of radionuclide calibrator response curves
- Current measurements in secondary standard ionization chambers
- Time dependent radionuclide calibrator settings
- Comparisons: proposals, updates, guidance

This list is intended only as a suggestion. Please note that it is not the intent of the working group to limit the definition of Life Science to medical uses.

I would encourage everyone planning to attend to give a presentation in order to promote discussion and possible cooperation between laboratories with similar interests. Since this is intended to be an informal working meeting, there will be no proceedings, although the presentations may be distributed to other participants, subject to the agreement of the presenter.

If you are planning to attend the meeting, I would ask that you indicate your interest as soon as possible and **no later than 7 February 2024**. Please indicate the titles and estimated times of any presentations.

To assist in your planning the meeting location is in downtown Warsaw at the conference room "Workin" located at Senatorska 2 (https://workin-senatorska.pl/en/oferta/conference-rooms/).

Below you can find a list of hotels located near the conference room, which should help the participants of the meeting in booking accommodation.

- Hotel Motel One <u>Hotel Warszawa Chopin Motel One</u> | <u>Designerskie hotele Warszawa (motelone.com)</u>
  (1.5 km from the conference room)
- Ibis Warszawa Stare Miasto <u>ibis Warszawa Stare Miasto ekonomiczny hotel tuż przy Starówce w Warszawie ALL (accor.com)</u> (1.5 km from the conference room)
- Hotel Barcelo Powiśle <u>Barceló Warsaw Powiśle | Hotel in Poland | Barcelo.com</u> (1.6 km from the conference room)
- Hotel INDIGO Home Hotel Indigo Warsaw Nowy Świat (1.8 km from the conference room)

There is no registration fee. As usual, the costs for all travel and meals will be borne by the participants. Information on the POLATOM visit, the agenda, etc., will be distributed to registered attendees before the meeting. If you have any questions or if you have specific topics that you would like to see on the agenda, please feel free to contact me. Also, please feel free to pass this information along to interested colleagues that might not have received this.

Sincerely, Jeff Cessna

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