



Multidisciplinary European Low Dose Initiative

Welcome Address by the MELODI Governing Board

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MELODI mission

1. To impulse low dose risk research in Europe through an open and integrative SRA approach
2. To create a forum for dialogue with EU institutions and stakeholders,
3. To interface with international partners (WHO, IAEA, USA, Japan,...)



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To impulse low dose risk research in Europe

- MELODI is open to membership to:
 - all national R&D / RP institutions willing and able to sign the Letter of Intent (www.melodi-online.de),
 - all research organisations, and laboratories willing to contribute to the implementation of MELODI
 - all stakeholders willing to engage in dialogue within MELODI structures
- **Sustain open scientific dialogue & project facilitation, through WG's, Workshops, Conferences, internet consultations.**
- **Develop and maintain over time a Strategic Research Agenda (SRA) & roadmap of priorities.**
- **Review projects and report on progress and obstacles.**



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To create a forum for dialogue with EU institutions and stakeholders

- MELODI seeks the views of stakeholders on the priorities for research, keep them informed on progress made, and contribute to the dissemination of knowledge.
- MELODI will propose R&T priorities for Europe in its field of competence > EUROPE 2020 Strategy.



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Update on activities since the 1st MELODI Workshop in Stuttgart

(28/29 September 2009)

1. Increase of membership: 5 > 15
2. Preparation of the MELODI Association
3. Development of a draft SRA
4. Interaction with DoReMi



MELODI Associative Structure (1)

- MELODI will become a formal associative structure, able to engage in dialogue, and as required contractual relations, with EC and other institutions.
- MELODI members:
 - are accepted by the Governing Board on review of their application for membership
 - Founding members (entities);
 - Contributing members (entities);
 - Honorary members (individuals).
 - Plenary assembly of Members: once a year to discuss and approve MELODI policy and elect officers.
 - Plenary Assembly to be held in conjunction with a scientific workshop.
- **Bylaws:** agreed and signed by 15 members.

MELODI Associative Structure (2)

- **Governing Board and Bureau:**
 - A small group, elected by the General Assembly, able to meet as frequently as needed, to steer the activities in line with agreed policies.

- **Scientific Committee:**
 - responsible for:
 - the scientific supervision of the elaboration of the SRA,
 - the independent review of R&T projects on behalf of member organisations (including DoReMi), for consistency with the SRA.
 - the review of other scientific deliverables of MELODI (reports,...).

Respective Roles of MELODI and DoReMi

➤ DoReMi, A Network of Excellence:

- To develop and implement a “transition research agenda” (TRA) within the limited time frame and organisational perimeters of the NoE
- To contribute to the wider development of MELODI, notably by bringing its scientific input into the open dialogue of the Platform
- To take into account the results of MELODI work and SRA for the future calls for R&T actions within the NoE

➤ MELODI, A European R&T Platform:

- To develop a long term strategic agenda for research and training in Europe on low dose risk issues
- The SRA and road map should be sufficiently supported by all stakeholders (including the R&T community) to allow the EC and Member States to rely on it to guide EU and national R&T policies



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**1st General Assembly of the
MELODI Association**
Cité Universitaire de Paris,
Maison Internationale
Meeting Room Satsuma
Tuesday, October 19th, 2010
16:30-18:00

1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BfS Federal Office for Radiation Protection, Germany
2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEA Atomic Energy and Alternative Energies Commission, France
3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HMGU Research Center for Environmental Health, Germany
4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HPA Health Protection Agency, United Kingdom
5.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IRSN Institute for Radiological Protection and Nuclear Safety, France
6.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISS Direttore, Dipartimento Tecnologie e Salute Director, Technology & Health Department Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Italy
7.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ITN Instituto Tecnológico e Nuclear, Portugal
8.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Institute for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Protection, Czech Republic
9.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RIVM National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, Netherlands
10.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCK.CEN Belgian Nuclear Research Centre, Belgium
11.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stockholm University Centre for Radiation Protection Research, Sweden
12.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STUK Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority, Finland
13.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TEXNIO Universitat Rovira I Virgili, Spain
14.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KVSF Kompetenzverbund Strahlenforschung, Germany
15.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Universidad Madrid Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain

Founding Members of the MELODI Association