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### EFOMP-COCIR webinars

A new series of EFOMP-COCIR webinars are planned between March and July 2021. These webinars will give an overview of IEC standards related to different disciplines such as radiotherapy, nuclear medicine, diagnostic imaging, radiation dosimetry and electrical systems.

Standards play a crucial part in our lives. In healthcare, standards have an indispensable role for the proper functioning of medical devices, for correct transmission of information, for therapy, for monitoring and support in treatment, and much more. Thus, standards help manufacturers to produce safe medical devices with constant high quality and, as such, help competent authorities to ensure that medical devices in their country provide the performance they want for their citizens.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> EFOMP-COCIR Webinar: "IEC overview: the importance for the MPE community"**

The first webinar in this exciting new series will be held on **Friday March 19th at 12:00 pm CET**. This opening webinar will provide a brief introduction into the functioning and structure of IEC, the importance of standards both for manufacturers and Medical Physics Experts and the advantages stemming from a stricter cooperation.

The speakers (Remy Klausz and Regina Geierhofer) will focus on:

- IEC functioning, composition and participation
- Different kind of standards and their use
- The standardization process, from the submission of a proposal to the publication of the final standard
- Standards of interest for the MPE community
- Interactions between EU legislation, EURATOM Directives, national legislation and standards

Panelists for the webinar include Alberto Torresin (EFOMP School Chair) and Loredana Marcu (EFOMP European Matters Committee Chair).

For more information on the webinar and for registration details, please see:

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The cooperation between COCIR and EFOMP started in 2017, when discussions under the umbrella of HERCA, the European Association of Radiation Safety Authorities, pointed out the need for a close cooperation between manufacturers and medical physicists to increase the awareness of features of medical devices related to imaging, treatment and radiation protection. The first actions of this collaboration have been four successful editions of the EFOMP School for Medical Physics Experts (ESMPE).

#### About COCIR

COCIR is the European Trade Association representing the medical imaging, radiotherapy, health ICT and electromedical industries. Founded in 1959, COCIR is a non-profit association headquartered in Brussels (Belgium) with a China Desk based in Beijing since 2007. COCIR is unique as it brings together the healthcare, IT and telecommunications industries and provides a wide range of services on regulatory, technical, market intelligence, environmental, standardisation, international and legal affairs. <https://www.cocir.org/>

#### About EFOMP

The European Federation of Organisations for Medical Physics (EFOMP) was founded in May 1980 in London to serve as an umbrella organisation for all National Member Organisations (NMOs), currently headquartered in Utrecht (Netherlands). The 2021 membership covers 36 national organisations which together represent more than 9000 medical physicists and clinical engineers working in the field of medical physics.

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