



United Nations Scientific Committee  
on the Effects of Atomic Radiation



International Conference on  
**RADIATION PROTECTION IN MEDICINE**  
Setting the Scene for the Next Decade

**UNSCEAR's Breakout Session  
and Round Table discussion**  
*How to assess global levels and trends and  
interpret the risks?*

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# UNSCEAR's mandate



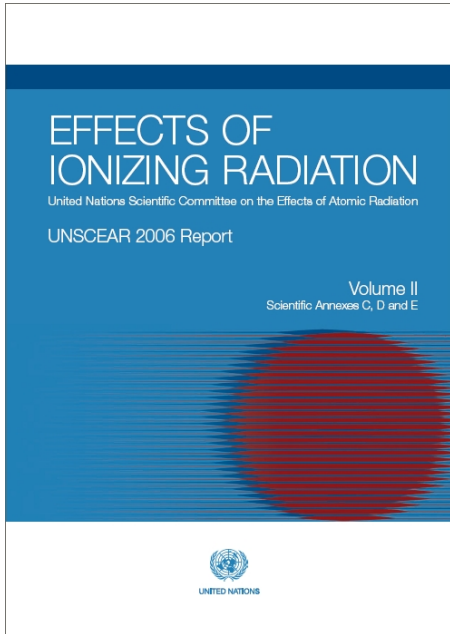
- Established by UN General Assembly (GA) resolution in 1955
- Assess levels, effects & risks of ionizing radiation
- Disseminate findings to UN GA, scientific community & public
- Scientists from 27 UN Member States
- Other states & organizations provide relevant data
- Holds annual sessions in Vienna
- UNEP arranges secretariat and provides support

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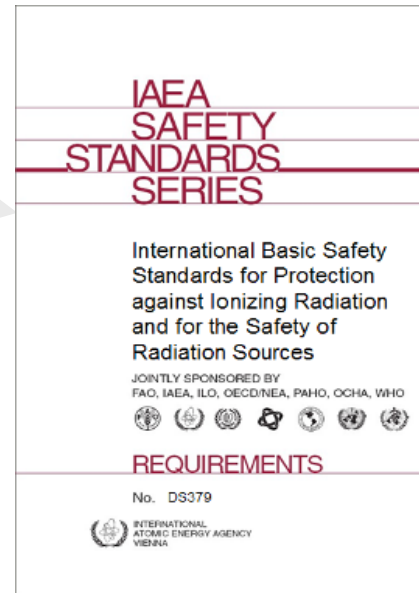


# UNSCEAR's role in radiation protection



**UNSCEAR**  
Scientific basis

*issues  
levels  
impact  
trends*



**IAEA, WHO, ILO, FAO etc.**

- Safety standards
- Protection programmes

*implemented by  
Member States*



# Panel Members



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