Memorandum of Understanding Between International Union of Radioecology and Elsevier

Preamble

There is a mutual interest in promoting cooperation between the International Union of Radioecology (IUR) and Elsevier of the scientific journal "Journal of Environmental Radioactivity" (JENR).

Areas of Cooperation/Collaboration

Specific Areas of mutual interest that will be pursued include:

- Promoting membership of the IUR among subscribers to JENR and its readers at large.
- Promoting subscriptions to JENR among the members of IUR and related scientists.
- Promoting and publishing sound research in environmental radioactivity and radioecology.

Guiding Principles

The collaboration that will be pursued under this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) will be guided by the following principles:

- The primary goal of the collaboration between the IUR and Elsevier is to promote the dissemination of research in environmental radioactivity and radioecology among IUR members and related scientists. For IUR this might result in a higher perception of quality of the Union among its members, for Elsevier this might result in a higher perception of quality of JENR among its readers. While some financial benefits may accrue from greater readership of JENR and greater membership of IUR, this is a secondary consideration.
- Responsibility for all activities in relation to JENR will remain with Elsevier.
- Responsibility for all activities in relation to IUR will remain with the Union.

Approach and Activities

The approach to be followed and the activities planned are provided in Appendix 1.

Duration

This MoU shall cover a period of 3 (three) years, that is, the published issues of JENR for 2008, 2009 and 2010, and is renewable for periods of 1 year each unless otherwise terminated.

Amendments

A letter stipulating specific amendments may amend any part of this agreement at any time when signed by the responsible officers at Elsevier and the IUR.

Termination

Any party to this agreement may withdraw by informing the other party of its intent in writing with a 6 months prior notice.

Signatories

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Appendix 1. Approach and Activities

- The journal will have as a subtitle "Affiliated to the International Union of Radioecology".
 This subtitle will be listed on the journal cover and journal homepage at http://www.elsevier.com/locate/jenvrad.
- The IUR will list JENR as an affiliated publication on its website at http://www.iur-uir.org/. It will have a short description of JENR on the site and will provide a link to the journal homepage.
- The journal homepage will have a short description of the IUR and will provide a link to the Union's homepage.
- 4. JENR will facilitate, on a space available basis (at Elsevier's discretion) and at no charge, the dissemination of IUR information (ie, inserts, filler ads, (conference) announcements).
- Elsevier will provide the IUR with a reasonable number of sample copies for use at conferences and other promotions.
- The IUR will provide Elsevier with a free table-top for promotional purposes at relevant scientific conferences and exhibitions organised by the IUR.
- 7. Elsevier will allow the IUR to implement a Scopus HTML feed on its website so that the latest articles published in JENR can be showcased on the IUR Website on a continuous basis.
- 8. Membership enrolment forms for the IUR will include a line allowing members to subscribe annually to the electronic version of JENR, by paying a fee directly to the IUR. The fee will be in Euro's and the amount will be determined by mutual agreement between IUR and Elsevier. For electronic access to the 2008 issues of JENR Elsevier will charge the IUR a fee of 20 (twenty) Euro per subscribing member per annum.

In order to activate the e-subscriptions the following steps need to be taken (for each year this agreement is in effect):

- Each quarter the IUR will send Elsevier a listing of the newly subscribing members and will transfer the corresponding amount of annual subscription fees to Elsevier
- Elsevier will provide the IUR with usernames and passwords for all the members subscribing to the online access, for further distribution to the subscribing members by the IUR.