

**Media Advisory**

The **United Nations Information Service (UNIS) Vienna** and the **United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (UNSCEAR)**

invite you to a

**Press Briefing**

on

**Monday 23 May at 1 p.m.**

in

M Building Press Briefing Room (M0E 71A)  
Vienna International Centre (VIC)

Journalists are invited to attend a briefing on UNSCEAR's summary report on low-dose radiation effects on health, whose publication coincides with the opening in Vienna of the 58<sup>th</sup> session of the Scientific Committee. The committee is also expected to discuss plans for its assessment of the radiological impact of events at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant in Japan.

UNSCEAR was established in 1955, reporting to the UN General Assembly on levels and effects of ionizing radiation. Its authoritative findings led to the Partial Test Ban Treaty prohibiting atmospheric testing of nuclear weapons. Its scientific assessments underpin international standards for radiation protection.

There will also be a photo opportunity prior to the start of the afternoon session at 2.20 p.m. on Monday 23 May in Room M2.

Speakers include:

**Wolfgang Weiss**  
Chair of UNSCEAR

**Fred Mettler**  
UNSCEAR Committee Member

**Malcolm Crick**  
Secretary of the Committee

Kindly register for the exhibition opening by writing to [press\[at\]unvienna.org](mailto:press[at]unvienna.org) latest by noon, Friday, 20 May 2011.

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