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Technologists Committee & EFRS

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Session Title

New Working Practices in Nuclear Medicine: Innovation, Safety, and Emerging Responsibilities

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Programme

- 09:30–10:00 **Ana Geão** (Lisboa, Portugal): Beyond the Console: Remote Scanning and the Future of Nuclear Medicine Practice
- 10:00–10:30 **Anton Sheahan Quinsten** (Essen, Germany): Remote Technical Support in Nuclear Medicine: Safety, Risk Mitigation and Workforce Adaptation
- 10:30–11:00 **Daniela Fonseca Ribeiro** (London, United Kingdom): Governance Models for Remote Nuclear Medicine Practice: Ethical, Legal and Professional Implications

Educational Objectives

1. Identify the technical requirements essential for safe implementation of remote support systems.
2. Analyse risk-mitigation strategies relevant to remote and hybrid practices.
3. Understand how flexible working patterns and remote support impact daily workflows and clinical routines.
4. Explore evolving training needs and new skill sets required for teams operating under remote or hybrid models.
5. Evaluate current legislative and regulatory gaps regarding remote operation in Nuclear Medicine.
6. Discuss ethical implications related to professional autonomy, accountability, and supervision.
7. Examine governance models that ensure safety, transparency, and accountability in remote practice.
8. Reflect on how innovation can be integrated sustainably whilst maintaining high professional standards.

Summary

This session will explore the evolving landscape of Nuclear Medicine imaging services in the context of different working practices, including discussions about remote scanning technologies. Drawing from the European Federation of Radiographer Societies (EFRS) position and experience on remote scanning, this joint session will highlight how remote technical and clinical support is emerging as a viable response to workforce shortages, particularly in remote locations or geographic areas where recruitment remains challenging. There will be discussions on how it may enhance service delivery through innovation, efficiency, and adaptability, alongside the associated risks.

Key Words

Remote Scanning; Flexible Working; Professional Ethics