During the First Symposium on Radiological Protection in Portorož (Slovenia), October 8 – 12, 1963, Yugoslav Radiation Protection Association (YRPA) was formed. Members from Croatia participated in all YRPA activities. YRPA members (3) participated at the First IRPA Congress, Rome 1963. YRPA became a full member of IRPA in 1969 (IRPA had 17 members at that time!).

Croatian Radiation Protection Association (CRPA, in Croatia: Hrvatsko društvo za zaštitu od zračenja, HDZZ, www.hdzz.hr) was founded in 1979 and has continued to function within YRPA until 1991. As independent society CRPA became a regular member of IRPA in 1992.

Today CRPA has 170 members – from research and university, medicine, regulatory and governmental bodies, industry...

International cooperation
- Regional level – with Hungary, Slovenia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Austria, Romania
- European level – active participants at the European RP meetings, organization of the meeting 2009
- International - Co-operation with IRPA

Meeting of European IRPA Societies

10th Symposium of CRPA, Šibenik, 15 -17 April 2015

There were 93 participants in total:
- 73 from national scientific and research institutions, universities, health facilities, and private companies
- 20 international participants: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Hungary, Slovenia, Serbia, Macedonia, and Qatar.

The presidents of the Organizing and Scientific Committees
Tomislav Bituh and Branko Petrinč
Both received national awards and participated at IRPA Congresses 2012 and 2014

Lectures
- Dr. Jelena Popić Ramač, 9 March 2016 – Radiation protection culture in medicine
- Prof. Dragan Poljak, 28 January 2016 – Electromagnetic and thermal dosimetry of non-ionizing electromagnetic fields
- Prof. Marijana Nodić, 11 March 2015 – Development of fast method for determination of 56Fe, 89,90Sr and some alpha emitters in complex sample matrices
- Prof. Toshikazu Suzuki, 28 March 2014 – The Sequence of Accident and Current Status of the Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station
- Prof. Ždenko Šimić, 9 May 2013 – Radioactivity from Fukushima – fear of low radiation doses

Main activities of CRPA
- Organization of symposia (national with international participation, regional)
- International cooperation
- Organization of lectures
- Cooperation with regulatory bodies, participation in professional committees, members provide advice and assistance to authorities
- Spread of information
- Involvement of young scientists and practitioners

Special topics at the national symposia
2nd CRPA Symposium, Zagreb 1994 – 15 years since CRPA foundation
3rd CRPA Symp., Zagreb 1996 – 100 years of radiation protection – Response to discovery of radioactivity in Croatia in the first half of 20th century
4th CRPA Symp., Zagreb 1998 – 100 years after discovery of radium – Harmonization of the Croatian legislation with the EU
6th CRPA Symp., Stubičke Toplice Spa 2005 – World Year of Physics – Light sources and light pollution – Round Table on Preparedness in case of nuclear or radiological accident or risk
7th CRPA Symp., Opatija 2008 – Non-ionizing radiation – Bacteria resistant to radiation
8th CRPA Symp., Krk 2011 – Retrospective dosimetry and experience after the Chernobyl accident – Causes and consequences of the accident in Nuclear Power Plant Fukushima Dai-ichi – Accreditation of laboratories dealing with radiation measurements
9th CRPA Symp., Krk 2013 – 50 years of organized radiation protection in the region 1963 - 2013
10th CRPA Symp., Šibenik 2015 – 10 symposia of CRPA
11th CRPA Symp., 2017 (plan) - Ethics and radiation protection culture

IRPA Regional Congress 2001
DUBROVNIK, Croatia

Participants from 29 countries, E- and W-Europe, Asia, Australia, N- and S-America

7th Alpe – Adria Medical Physics Meeting
(AAAMP2016)
Zagreb, 19-21 May, 2016
http://aamp2016.eu
CRPA is co-organizer of the meeting
We expect about 100 participants from Croatia, Austria, Italy, Hungary, Slovenia, Slovakia, Serbia, Poland, Malta, USA, Bangladesh, Germany

Spread of information
- HDZZ Bulletin – electronic newsletter to all members, about 20 issues per year
- Archives of Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology - official journal , IF = 0.932 (2014)
- Guests on TV and/or radio broadcasting – topics: What is radiation? What is radiation protection? Radiation in medicine. About the 10th national symposium....