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Dear Delegates and Friends,

On behalf of the KARP IRPA 15 Organizing Committee (KOC), it is my great pleasure to invite you to the 15th International Congress of the International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA) to be held on May 11-15, 2020 in Seoul, Korea.

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