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The European Society of Radiology (ESR), which is the largest radiological society in the world with more than 75,000 members, sends the following recommendations to the European Commission:

- Support a holistic, multi-stakeholder approach towards medical quality and safety
- Integrate medical radiation protection into a broader concept of good practice in healthcare
- Close the gap between regulators and health policy makers
- Make the concept of quality and safety and related cost an integral part of national healthcare plans
- Bring the justification and optimisation process closer to the healthcare providers
- Develop a European policy for equipment update/quality
- Launch a focused campaign for radiation protection of paediatric patients (currently lacking in Europe)