Global Trends in Nuclear Power and Fuel Cycle and IAEA Activities

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Global Trends in Nuclear Power & Fuel Cycle - Installed generating capacity -

- 1. Current worldwide nuclear generating capacity
 ✓ Commercial NPPs in Operation 435 (367.8 GWe)
 ✓ Share of electricity 16%
- 2. Slowdown of capacity addition since late 80's ✓ Electricity market deregulation
 - ✓ Slow growth of electricity demand in advanced countries

 ✓ Public Perception
 ✓ Economic reforms in Russia and Eastern Europe

3. Current expansion mainly in Asia





Global Trends in Nuclear Power & Fuel Cycle - Operation -

4. Nuclear electricity increase by 40% (1990-2005)



Capacity factor improvement by:

✓ Best practice prevailing
 ✓ Consolidation to those who perform best
 ✓ Risk-informed regulation



Global Trends in Nuclear Power & Fuel Cycle - Aging and long-term operation -

5. Long-term operation and power uprating

- Long term operation through continuous monitoring,

replacement and regulatory review

Age distribution (327/435 over or equal to 20 years)



Global Trends in Nuclear Power & Fuel Cycle-- To the future -

6. Design evolution and innovation



Transition scenario from current fleet of LWR to Gen-IV - Case of France : CEA proposal -

Global Trends in Nuclear Power & Fuel Cycle - To the future -

 7. New initiatives proposed
 ✓ MNA (M. ElBaradei)
 ✓ Global Nuclear Energy Partnership (GNEP) (USA)
 ✓ President Putin's initiative to develop a Global Nuclear Power Infrastructure (GNPI) (Russia)



8. Rising expectations for the role of nuclear power

Increasing Nr. of countries considering introduction of nuclear power



IAEA's high projections



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IAEA's role

1) To ensure *protection:* that, wherever nuclear energy is used to produce energy, it is used:

- Safely, Securely, and
- With minimal proliferation risk.

2) To ensure continued *technological innovation* to improve its attributes in safety, security, economics, proliferation-resistance, environment and waste

3) To ensure that the needs of *developing countries* are taken into account:



Activities by the Department of Nuclear Energy

<u>Mission</u>
1) Support to existing Nuclear Power for excellence & to new countries for infrastructure development
2) Catalyse innovation for sustainable development
3) Build national capability



1. Knowledge Management

□ Issues Member States face:

Sustaining existing knowledge for the continued safe operation of existing nuclear installations
 Human resources development in new countries
 Preservation of knowledge before it degrades or is lost

IAEA activities in:
 ✓ Methodology and guidance
 ✓ Educational networks
 ✓ Knowledge preservation



2. Uranium resources

After 2 decades of very low U price, price tripled in the last 2 years; make up by inventory drawdown is very uncertain

- Support to new Uranium exploration activities
- Support training for Uranium exploration & other activities
- Sharing information through meetings & databases "Red book" with OECD/NEA



Uranium resources ("red book")

"Uranium 2005" by OECD/NEA and IAEA
 Total identified 4.7 Million Ton (<USD130/Kg U)
 Total undiscovered (Prognosticated & speculative)
 10 Million Ton (<USD130/Kg U)

Current consumption = 68,000 Ton/year for 360GWe

- Resource/Consumption with margin
- Closed fuel cycle using FR further extends this margin

R/P (total conventional)LWR270 yearsFast Reactor8000 -16000years

R/P (conventional & phosphate) 675 years 20,000~40,000 years Source: Uranium 2005 NTR2007 Aomori 11April2007

Forty Years of Uranium Resources, Production

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3. Support for building infrastructure

 Infrastructure is a key to successful introduction/expansion legal and regulatory framework, human resources, industrial background etc
 Guidance for the introduction of nuclear power and for development of infrastructure

- Numerous guidance documents
- Filling in gaps & updating guidelines
- Milestones document & its implementation (self-assessment and review by international experts)
- Encouraging regional approach for efficiency

□ Institutional issues (Assurance of supply, Financing, Licensing)



4. Energy Indicator for Sustainable Development (EISD)

Many attributes of nuclear energy have potential to contribute to improve indicators of sustainable development

* "development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs ", Brundtland, Our Common Future, 1987

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 □ Potential to improve EISD of a nation by having NE in the energy portfolio
 29 EISD indicators :
 Society (4), Economy (15), Environment (10)
 ✓ Usable to

 Analyze past trends and current situation
 Measure distance to target

Energy Indicators for Sustainable Development: Guidelines and Methodologies





Formulate strategy

5. Stimulating innovation



"Technological and institutional innovation is a key factor in ensuring the long-term sustainability of nuclear power"

- DG statement at 50th GC, 2006



Three directions of current INPRO activities

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1. Methodology improvement

Methodologies/Indicators - assessment of different systems and scenarios - screening of reactor

and fuel cycle system



2. Institutional/Infrastructure
3. Collaborative Project
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- 1. Rising expectations for the role of nuclear power after 20 years of stagnation
- 2. The mission of NE, as one of the Agency's three pillars:
 - Support Member States' safe, reliable operation in a technically sound manner & infrastructure building for introduction/expansion of Nuclear Power
 - Catalyze innovation, and
 - Support Member States' capacity building and knowledge management



IAEA Activity development



IAEA's role

Statute article II: Objectives

 The Agency shall seek to accelerate and enlarge the contribution of atomic energy to peace, health and prosperity throughout the world. It shall ensure, so far as it is able, that assistance provided by it or at its request or under its supervision or control is not used in such a way as to further any military purpose.



Uranium mining and milling

Agency's support
 Identification of uranium deposits
 Training for exploration activities
 Best practices in mining and milling
 Environmental effects of mining and milling
 Closing of mining and milling facilities
 Environmental restoration of old mines

Past experiences of MSs support
 China, Pakistan, Argentina - Exploration and prospecting techniques
 Egypt – Uranium resources development
 Romania – Restructuring of the uranium mining industry



EISD in "Society" dimension

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EISD in "Economy" dimension

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Use and	Overall Use	ECO1	Energy use per capita				
productio n patterns	Overall Productivity	ECO2	Energy use per unit of GDP				
	Supply efficiency	ECO3	Efficiency of energy conversion & distribution				
	Production	ECO4	Reserves to production ratio				
		ECO5	Resources to production ratio				
	End-use	ECO6	Industrial energy intensities				
	productivity	ECO7	Agricultural energy intensities				
		ECO8	Service / Commercial energy intensities				
		ECO9	Household energy intensities				
		ECO10	Transport energy intensities				
	Fuel Mix	ECO11	Fuel Shares in energy and electricity				
		ECO12	Renewable energy share in energy and electricity				
	Prices	ECO13	End use energy Prices by fuel and by sector				
Security	Imports	ECO14	Net energy import dependency				
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The impact of the emission trading on the electricity generation cost (Prof. Voß, Univ. of Stuttgart)



Frequency-Consequence Curves for Severe Accidents in Various Energy Chains, OECD countries, 1969-2000



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[Source] Burgherr & Hirschberg, 2004

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CO2 emission rates from electricity generation

