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Safety an important ingredient in the operability of nuclear power plants

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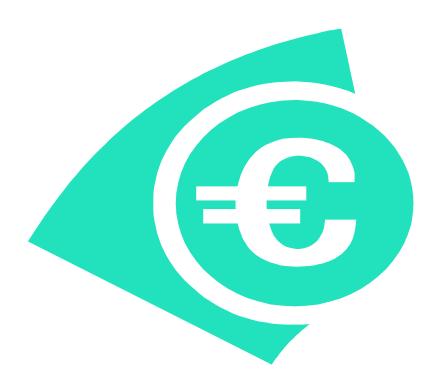
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Changes in economic conditions to produce electricity



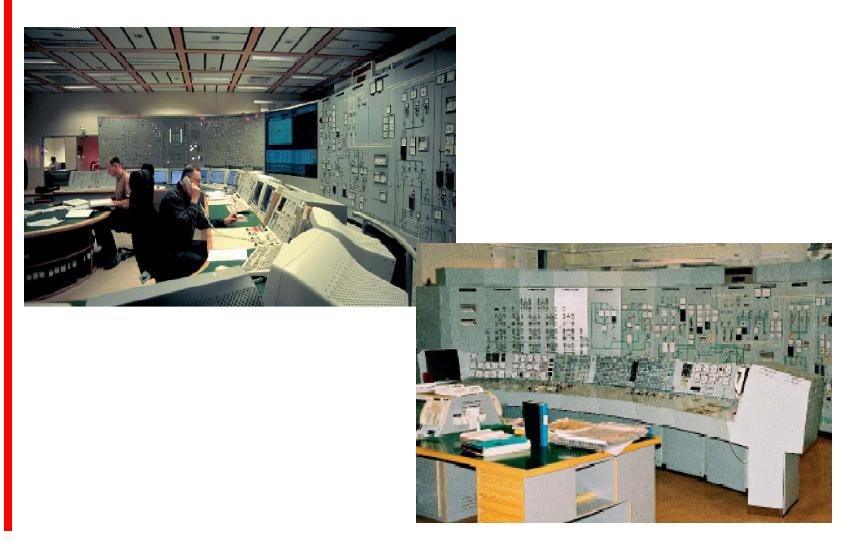


Intensive inspection to detect ageing related phenomena

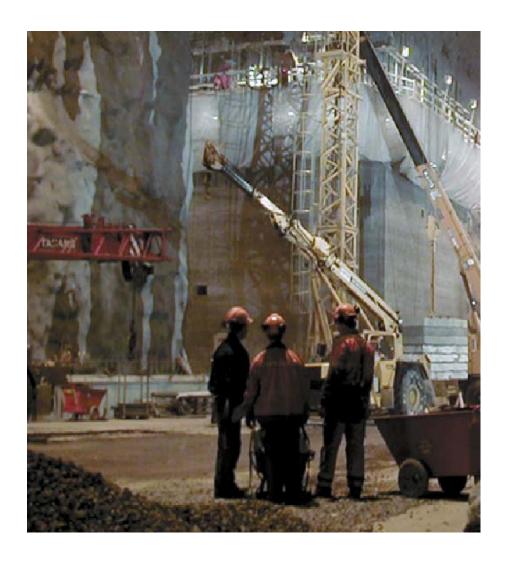




Modernisation of existing reactors







All waste streams have to be taken care of



Co-operation between safety regulators in Europe

The challenge to harmonise safety requirements





Western Nuclear Regulators Association

- Nuclear safety was included in the EU enlargement criteria
- National safety approaches have been developed from IAEA safety standards, the Convention on Nuclear etc., but independently



Western nuclear Regulators Association was established in February 1999



By March 2003 the objectives of Wenra comprises

- develop a common approach to nuclear safety
- provide an independent capability to examine nuclear safety in future applicant countries
- network of chief nuclear safety regulators in Europe
- exchange experience
- discuss significant safety issues



Main Study - Time schedule

2005/2006

Reports on reference levels will be released

February 9th 2006

Stakeholders seminar will be held in Brussels

2006 (end of)

Analyses and commitments on amending national requirements



Good quality in management, a preventive safety approach, the feed back of experience, competence and capacity can minimise lack in operability





Western European Nuclear Regulators Association Website will be published within a couple of weeks

www.wenra.org

