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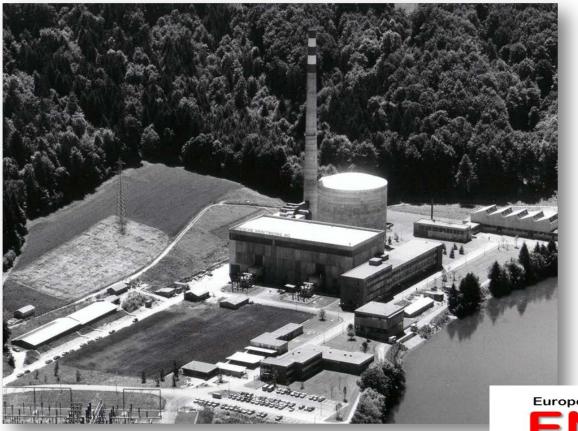
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After September 11th

- Need to strengthen Nuclear Security
- New threats identified
 - Global impact
 - Unpredictable, more sophisticated
 - Involving new challenges
- Tackling the new challenges requires (more) international cooperation



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Origin of ENSRA





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European Nuclear Security Regulators Association

15 Member States

Belgium, Germany, Finland, France, United Kingdom, Netherland, Lithuania, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, Spain, Slovakia, Slovenia, Czech Republic, Hungary (soon Romania, Bulgaria)

Founded

October 2004

<u>Goal</u>

Information exchange of sensitive data between the member states regarding Physical Security of Nuclear Power Plants and Nuclear Material. Sharing experience in 'Best Practice' in order to maintain High Standards



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Setting the Conditions for Cooperation

- Foundational agreement emphasized the association as forum for exchanges of professional opinions on different security subjects
- The association was not intended to represent the opinions of the different members states, but rather the views of the participants
- An aim existed to develop cooperation in common grounds with relevant international institutions (IAEA, EU, etc.) from an European perspective



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Specific Challenges

Cooperation on Nuclear Security





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Specific Challenges

- Need to develop common and shared goals
- Cooperation requires mutual confidence of all the participants
- Importance of developing regional cooperation frameworks



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• Secure web site

Security Essential point : develop capability for secure handling an exchange of sensitive information







- Enhance the capability of developing suitable reference criteria to help members in implementing and improving national nuclear security frameworks
- Move to a bigger involvement of the high management of the agencies involved in ENSRA in association initiatives
- Reinforce the stable organizational structures of the association
- Emphasize cooperation activities with relevant international partners (IAEA, EU, etc.)



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- Develop common projects with practical purposes that most of the members could directly be benefited by e.g.:
 - Training
 - Technical support among members
 - Cooperation in peer review programs
- Emphasis in cultural aspects related to security (Reinforcing and disseminating "security culture")



 Operational experience exchange in security topics. Enhance the ENSRA role to promote common and proactive solutions to existing and new challenges

 Allow for security cooperation with European countries without a nuclear power plant program but having relevant nuclear security related materials



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- New Terms of References (ToR) are under development to adjust ENSRA organizational structure and support capability
- Secure web site for secure posting, sharing and downloading of security related information
- Developing of reference levels and criteria for nuclear security framework improvement in member countries



- Strengthening cooperation with IAEA in fields like:
 - Training, including organization of regional courses
 - Promotion of Nuclear Security Centres of excellence
 - Developing pool of experts for peer review missions and training purposes



- Special projects for cooperation with EU:
 - Development of procedures for trustworthiness checks that could be useful to facilitate access to vital areas in different EU countries
 - Help the EU in the implementation and follow up of initiatives to improve nuclear security in Europe (i.e., the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Group on Nuclear Security created by the European Council in the aftermath of Fukushima accident)
 - Develop, as far as possible, a common understanding amongst member countries of relevant and emerging security issues
- To seek for further cooperation in the field of radioactive sources security



Conclusions

- International cooperation
- Share information is crucial
- Regional cooperation platforms
- Update ToR ENSRA
- Harmonized Levels
- Development of common criteria



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Thank you for your attention



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