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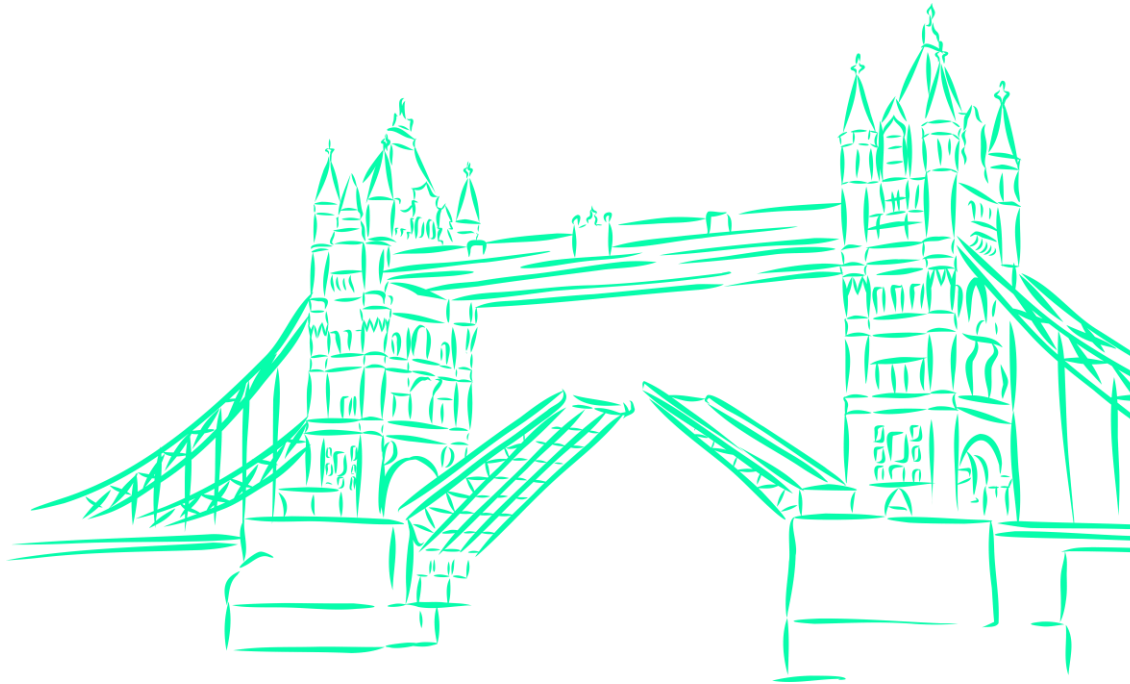
# ONLINE WEBINAR The prospects of small modular reactors in Southeast Asia

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We strongly believe that nuclear power is without which the binding Paris Climate Agreement objectives cannot be achieved and is therefore an essential part of the global solution to the challenge of climate change.



# **Introduction to ACE and Potential of Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) Deployment towards a Low-Carbon ASEAN Economy**

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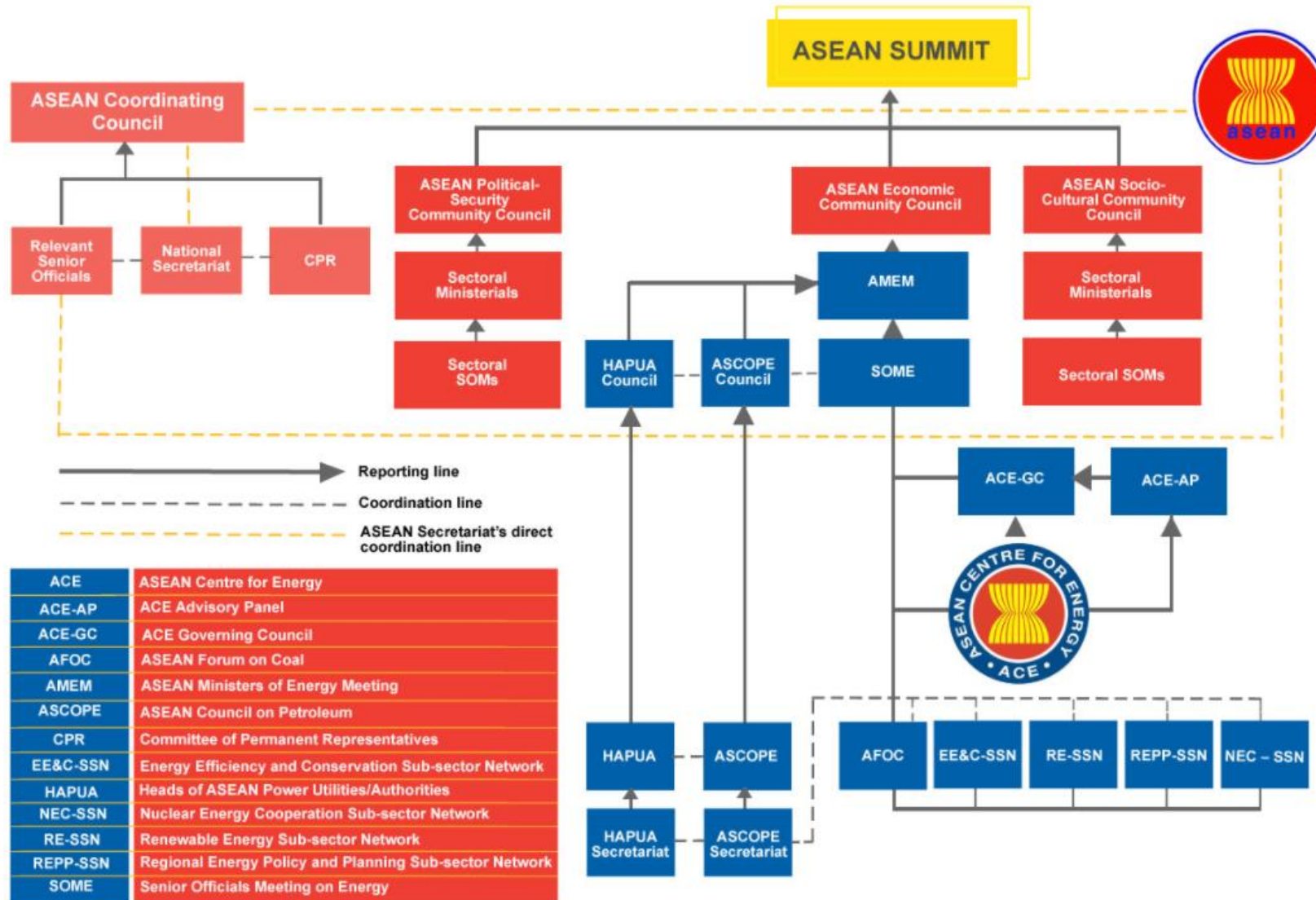


# Introduction to ACE



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# ACE in The ASEAN Energy Sector



# About ASEAN Centre for Energy (ACE)



## Think Tank

Identifying and surfacing innovative solutions

Policies, Legal & Regulatory Frameworks and Technologies



## Energy Data and Knowledge Hub

Provide a knowledge depository for AMS

Policy and Research Analytics

Energy Database



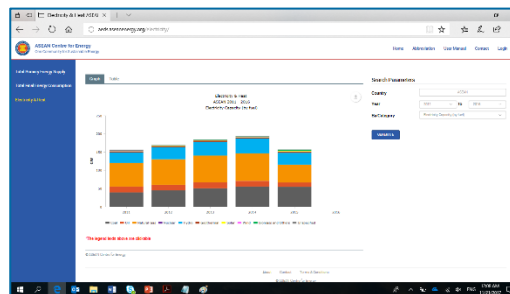
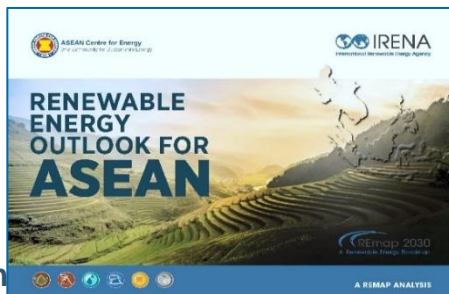
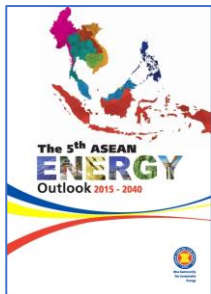
## Catalyst

Unify and strengthen ASEAN Energy Cooperation and Integration

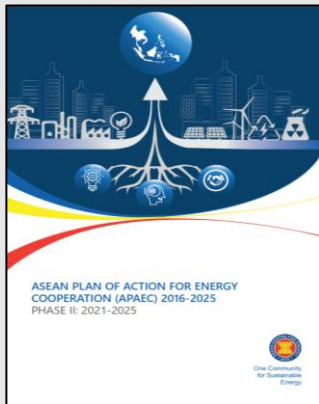
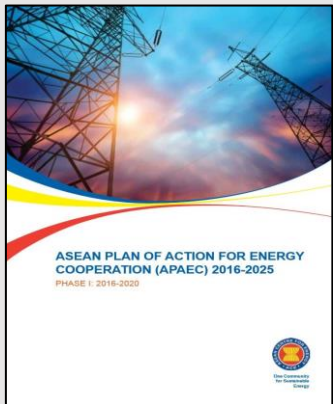
APAEC Activities, including with DPs/IOs

Secretariat

Research, publication, training, capacity building, workshop, policy exchange and recommendations, etc.



# ASEAN Plan of Action for Energy Cooperation (APAEC)



APAEC is a series of guiding policy documents to support the implementation of **ASEAN multilateral energy cooperation** to advance regional integration and connectivity goals.

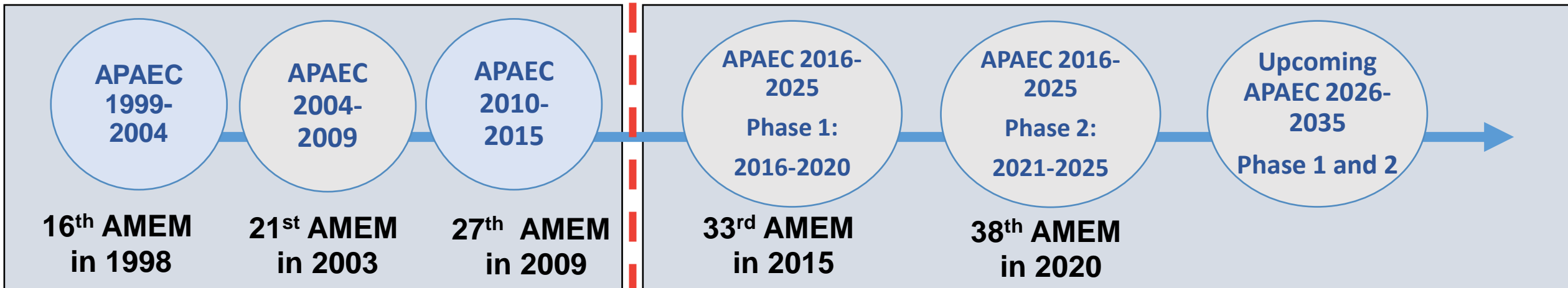
Serves as a blueprint for better energy cooperation under seven (7) programme areas in achieving the goals of the **ASEAN Economic Community (AEC)** pillar of the ASEAN Community.

## ASEAN Community Vision 2025:

### Forging Ahead Together

*5-year period*

*10-year period*



# THE ASEAN PLAN OF ACTION FOR ENERGY COOPERATION PHASE II: 2021-2025

## APAEC 2016-2025 Theme

Enhancing Energy Connectivity and Market Integration in ASEAN to Achieve Energy Security, Accessibility, Affordability and Sustainability for All

## APAEC Phase II Sub-theme

Accelerating Energy Transition and Strengthening Energy Resilience Through Greater Innovation and Cooperation

Reflects the development of global and regional perspectives that shape the energy landscape of ASEAN during the Phase II implementation of APAEC 2016-2025

## Global Energy Trends



4<sup>th</sup>  
Industrial  
Revolution

Energy  
Transition

Economic  
Growth

COVID-19  
Pandemic



# Key Strategies for APAEC Phase II: 2021 - 2025



## 1. ASEAN Power Grid

To expand regional multilateral electricity trading, strengthen grid resilience and modernisation, and promote clean and renewable energy integration.



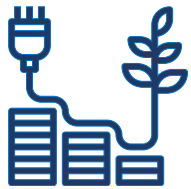
## 2. Trans-ASEAN Gas Pipeline

To pursue the development of a common gas market for ASEAN by enhancing gas and LNG connectivity and accessibility.



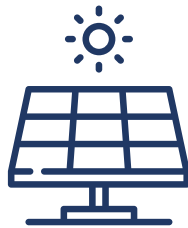
## 3. Clean Coal Technology

To optimise the role of CCT in facilitating the transition towards sustainable and lower emission development.



## 4. Energy Efficiency and Conservation

To reduce energy intensity by 32% by 2025 and encourage EE&C efforts, especially in transport and industry



## 5. Renewable Energy

To increase the share of RE to 23% in TPES and 35% in installed power capacity by 2025



## 6. Regional Energy Policy and Planning

To advance energy policy and planning to accelerate the region's energy transition and resilience



## 7. Civilian Nuclear Energy

To build human resource capabilities on nuclear science and technology for power generation.

# Programme Area No 7: Civilian Nuclear Energy

## 4 Outcome-based Strategies and 13 Action Plans



### OBS1

Improve nuclear energy literacy and public engagement

1. Information Education Communication (IEC) Campaigns
2. Raise awareness on nuclear energy as an alternative energy option
3. Regional public communication strategy and plan
4. Portal of nuclear communities and database



### OBS2

Strengthen Regional and International Cooperation on Nuclear Energy for Power Generation

5. Study on the potential of regional nuclear energy facilitation and coordination mechanism
6. Multi-year collaboration with DPs/IOs



### OBS3

Build Human Capabilities on Nuclear Legal and Regulatory Frameworks for Power Generation

7. Activity on nuclear legal and regulatory framework for policy makers and regulatory bodies
8. Study-visits to the established international nuclear regulatory bodies
9. Technical assistance/technical study on nuclear legal and regulatory framework

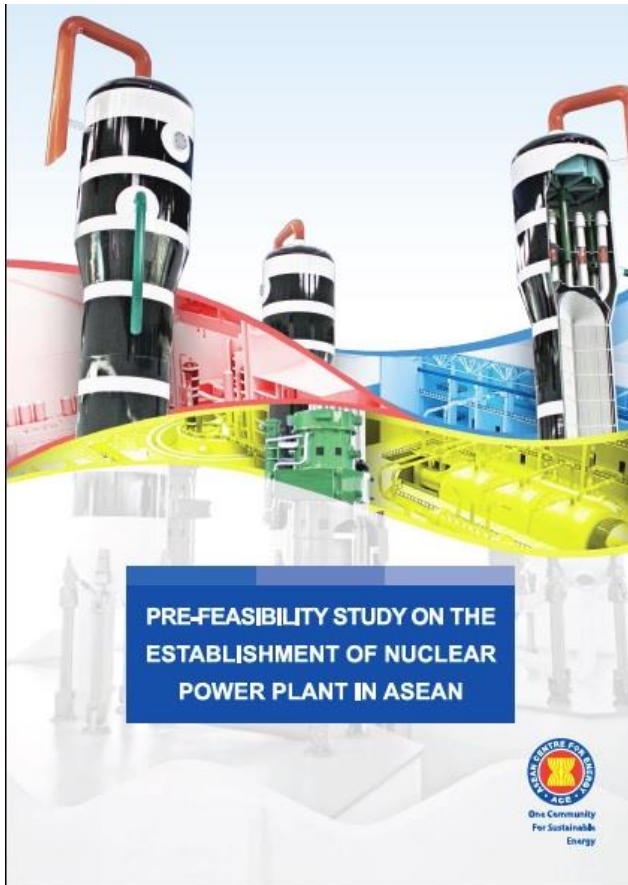


### OBS4

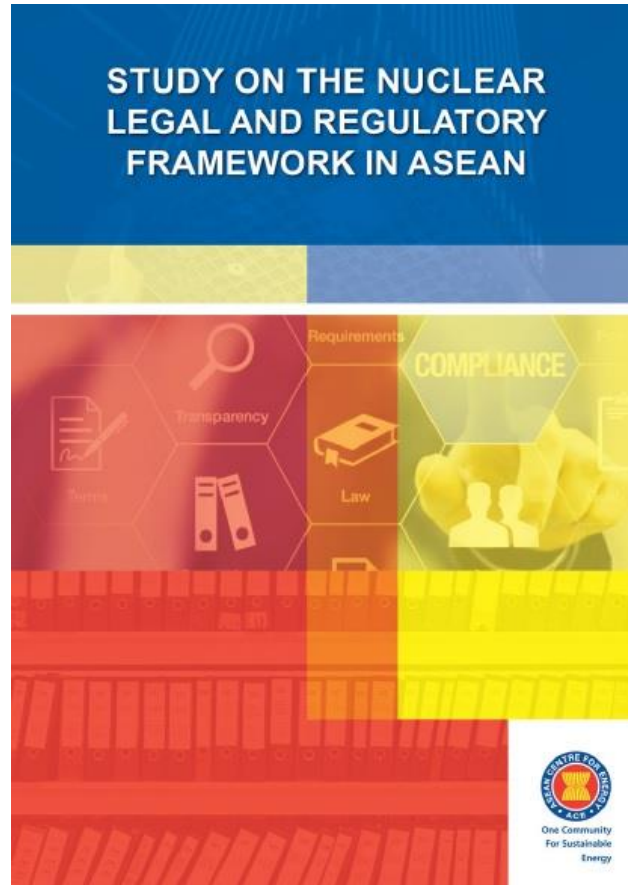
Enhance Human Resource Capabilities on Nuclear Science and Technology for Power Generation

10. Research and development, education, and training
11. Capacity building utilising the facilities of established nuclear institutions
12. Secondment/educational opportunity on nuclear energy technology for power generation
13. Practical training activities

# ACE Initiatives on Civilian Nuclear Energy



The study provides information on the **current status and milestones** of nuclear energy programmes in the ASEAN Member States (AMS).



The study analyses **nuclear regulation status** in five selected Member States; Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam.



The factsheet provide information on **energy security, climate change and environment, nuclear safety, radiation,** and **nuclear waste.**



# Potential of Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) Deployment towards a Low-Carbon ASEAN Economy

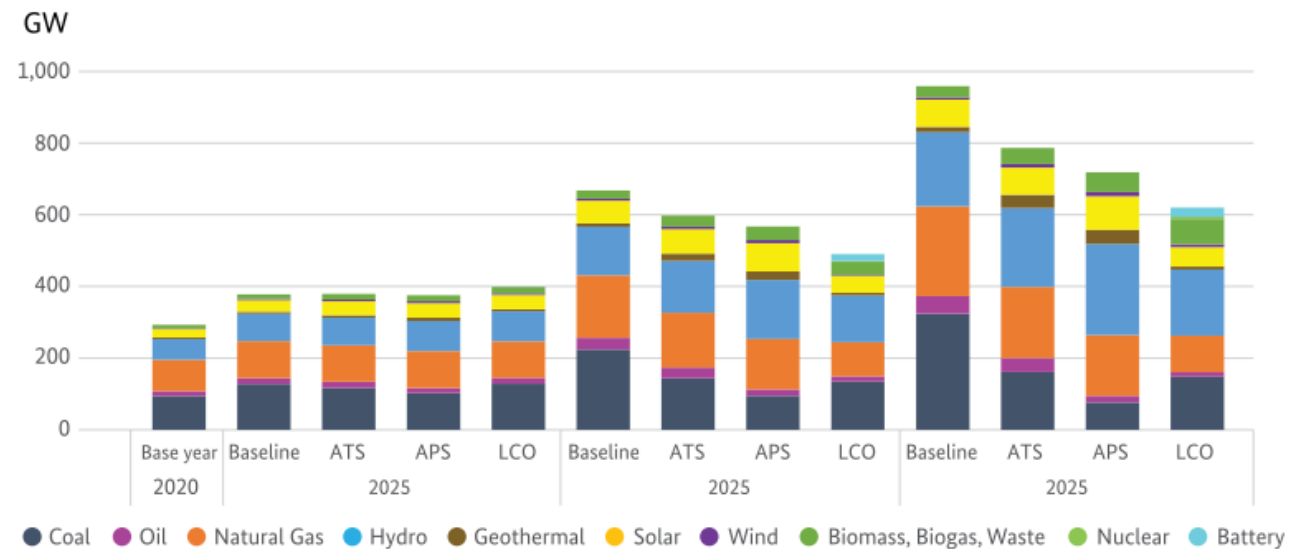


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# Findings of 7<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Energy Outlook (AEO7)

- Nuclear energy is still considered **one of the options** to ensure energy transition in the region while ensuring energy transition towards a low-carbon economy.
- AEO7 presented the potential deployment of nuclear power in the region under the **Least-cost optimization (LCO)** scenario.
- The preference for nuclear was observed based on the high energy content of the nuclear fuel, offering **lower costs for the electricity generated**.
- In the LCO scenario, ASEAN will have its **first operational nuclear power plant in 2034**, in which nuclear deployment can reach up to **5.2 GW in 2050** with the Philippines and Singapore as potential AMS adopters.

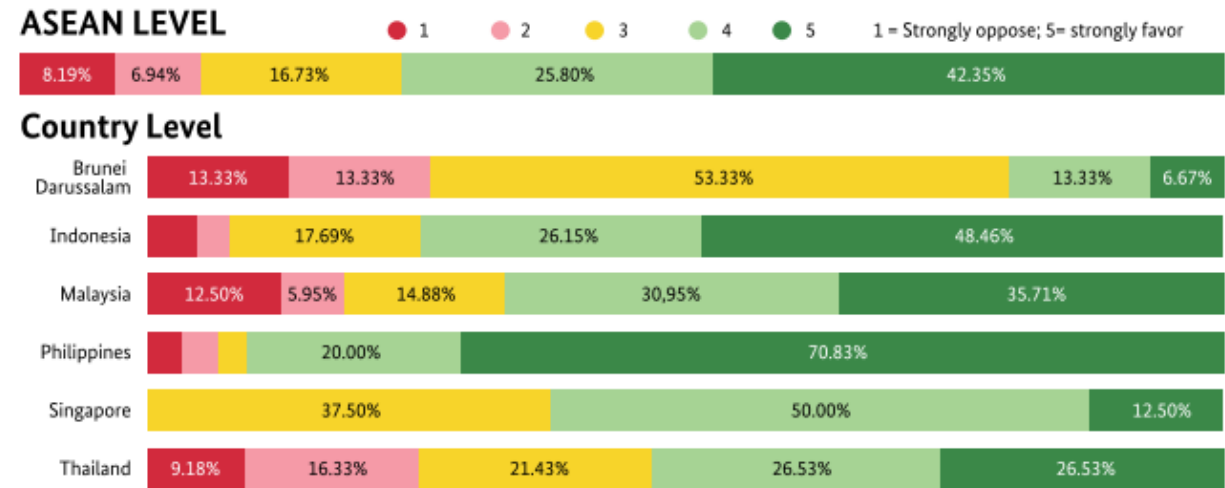
Figure 3.23 ASEAN Installed Power Capacity by Fuel Across Scenarios



# ASEAN Public Perception and Acceptance

- Most respondents from member countries **positively perceive using nuclear energy** for power generation in the country, wherein 42% strongly favours NPP deployment.
- Main reasons to support the NPP are that it guarantees the **security of the energy supply** (36%) and contributes to **preventing climate change** (32%).
- Some respondents reject NPP deployment in their country due to the **possibility of a serious accident** (48%) and the uncertainty of the **radioactive waste disposal method** (29%).

Figure 4.16 Civilian Nuclear Energy Public Survey in ASEAN



# Challenges and Barriers to SMRs Implementation in the Region



## Safety and Waste Disposal

- As the ASEAN region consists of one of the richest and most diverse biospheres in the world, the **selection of a potential disposal site** can remain a large issue.
- Safe nuclear disposal sites could take on the form of old and used mining **repositories that are capable of refurbishment and repurposing**.
- Waste could be injected deep beneath the earth's surface at **uninhabited, small ASEAN islands**, such that radiation contamination with the surrounding environment could be limited as much as possible.



## Financing

- Challenges faced in the **financial aspect of the implementation of SMRs can vary**, depending on its design, site location, operating principle, and technological infrastructure.
- Funding for the construction of SMRs can come from **several structures**, such as public (government), private (corporate), or vendor structures, and the funding structure will determine the ownership of the SMR plant.
- The currently ongoing **ASEAN Taxonomy for Sustainable Finance** may also consider and assess nuclear energy, and particularly SMR, as the potential sustainable energy source in the region



## Legal and Regulatory Framework

- Improving and/or establishing a **regulatory framework and infrastructure suitable for the regulation of SMRs** will be crucial for ASEAN.
- In the case of SMR, there will be new aspects to be considered from the perspective of the legal and regulatory framework, especially those related to **offsite activities**.
- **Pre-licensing** will allow early engagement and agreement of scope/submissions throughout the process.
- SMR designers and vendors should be encouraged to **contact and communicate safety design and safety regulatory issues with the regulatory body** before the license application.

# Conclusions and Way Forward

- SMR technology may play an essential role in the global **decarbonization effort**, and even more so in the ASEAN region that aims to advance its **energy transition efforts** within the upcoming decade.
- SMRs may **complement renewable energy infrastructure** networks in ASEAN such as solar plants and hydropower facilities or even **revamping coal fired power plants** into a nuclear plant.
- **Ensuring secure containment when storing and disposing of nuclear fuel** is a persisting challenge when new nuclear power plants are proposed to be constructed.
- Further study should be done on the **potential of using SMR as industrial heat and microreactors for electric charging station** to explore its use to decarbonize industrial and transportation sectors.
- Proper **funding schemes** are scarce, and even more so for a **standard guideline on legislative issues**.
- ASEAN Energy agencies could work together with investors representing private energy development and utility companies to construct a bipartisan **cooperative financing scheme**, such that benefits can be enjoyed by both mutual parties.
- Strengthening regional cooperation, by **leveraging ASEAN cooperation** will be very crucial in advancing AMS capability on SMR legal and regulatory framework.





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Centre for Strategic  
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# Net-Zero ASEAN Needs Nuclear Energy

**Dr Victor Nian**  
**Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer**

29 November 2022



# Overview

The Centre for Strategic Energy and Resources (CSER) is an independent think-and-do tank with a global headquarters in Singapore.

## **What we do:**

We build enabling ecosystems to accelerate energy transition and platforms for communicating strategic issues in energy and sustainability in Asia.

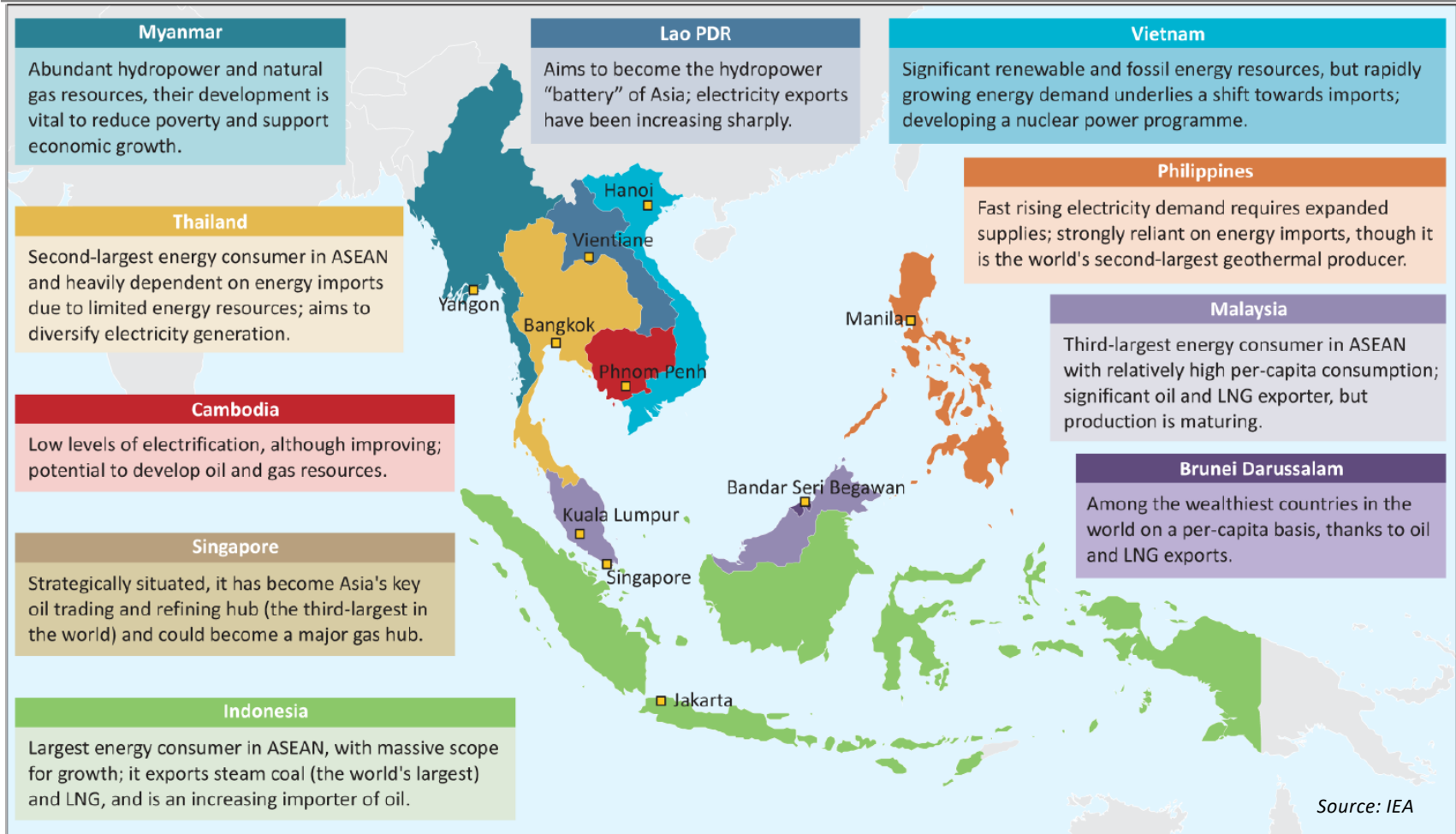
## **What we believe:**

“Knowledge and innovation without borders.”

## **What we value:**

- Network of experts from 50+ countries and organisations.
- Independent, evidence-based, and unbiased views.
- Innovative practical and nationally appropriate solutions.

# ASEAN energy landscape



# The “technical potential” for renewables and the reality

## IEA's Projections



Hydropower - 150 GW



Bioenergy - 90 GW



Wind - tens of gigawatts in Vietnam and the Philippines



PV and CSP - minimum grid connection

## The Reality

Difficulty in establishing interconnection

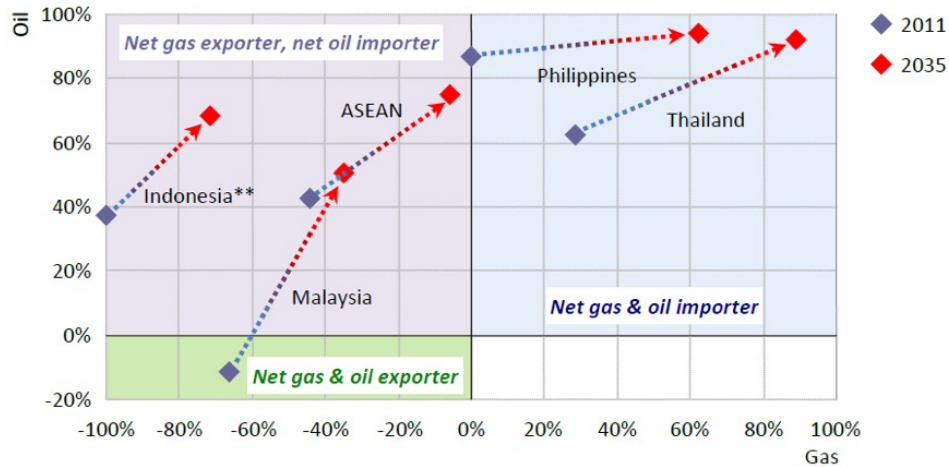
Limited access to affordable and advanced technologies

Intermittency and unpredictable climatic conditions

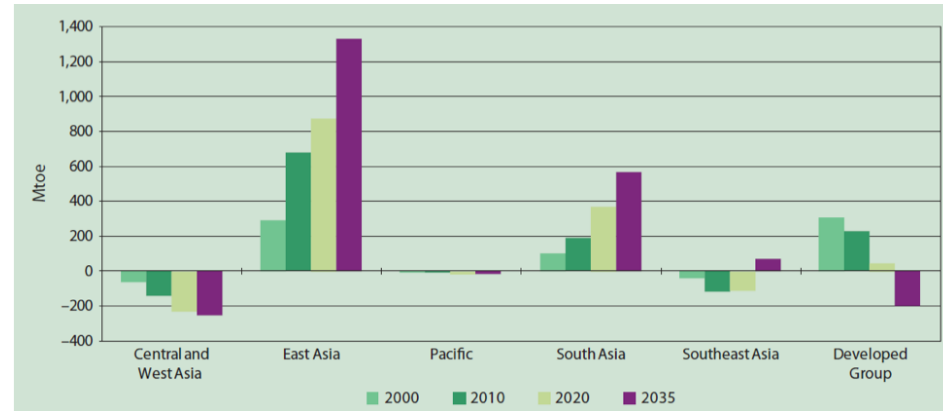
Geographical dependency – hydropower and geothermal

No viable option to diversify the base-load supply

# The "Net Energy Importer" Prediction



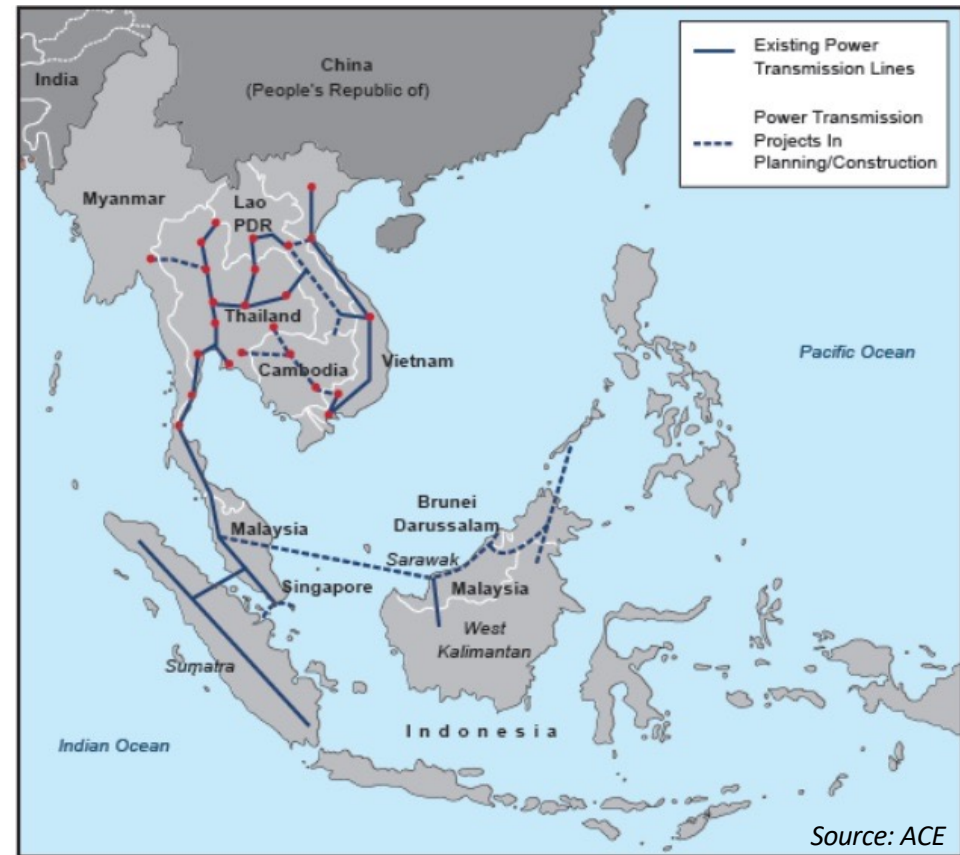
IEA's Projection



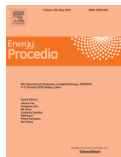
ADB's Projection

# ASEAN Power Grid (APG) Initiative

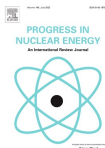
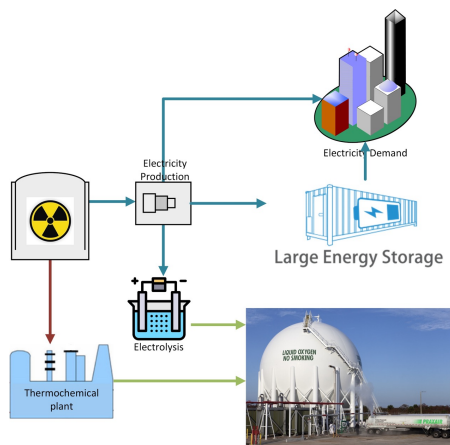
- LTMS-PIP: enable access to carbon-free electricity from Laos
- Opportunities:
  - Matching green electricity supply with energy hungry megacities and industrial clusters
  - Moving towards a regional integrated market framework for electricity trade
- Challenges:
  - An equitable and justified regional energy market framework
  - Geopolitical and other external factors impacting the security, reliability and affordability of APG



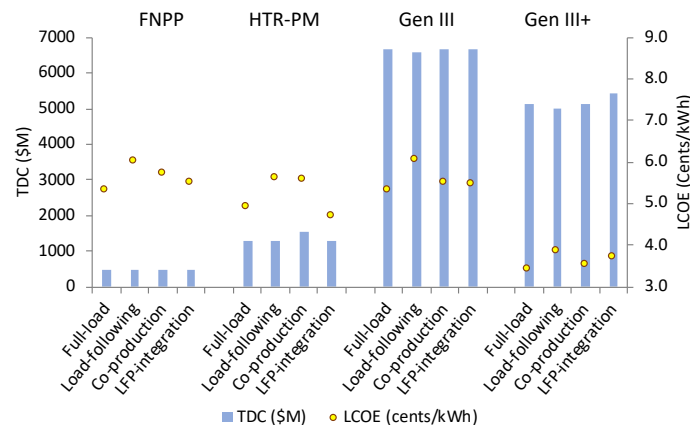
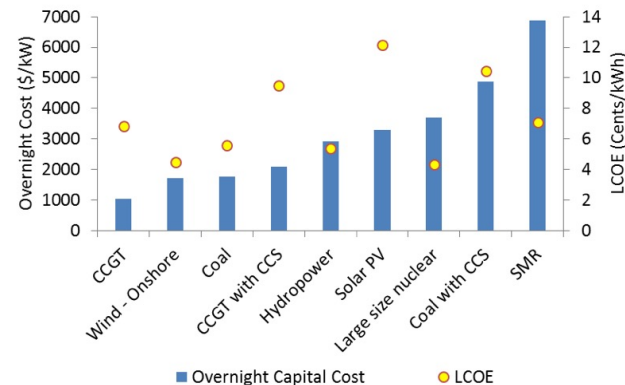
# Economics of nuclear energy



Nian & Hari 2017, *Incentivizing the Adoption of Nuclear and Renewable Energy in Southeast Asia, International Conference on Applied Energy 2016.*



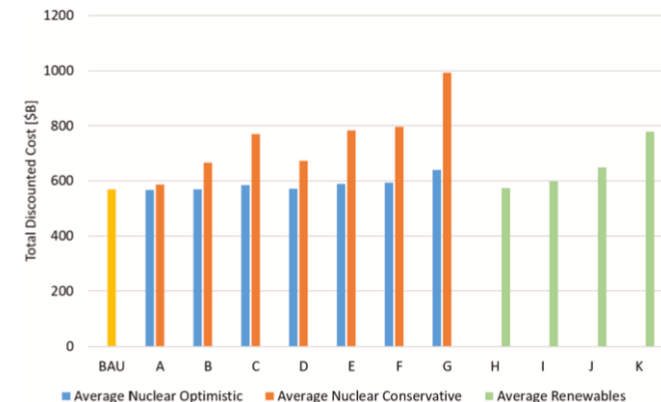
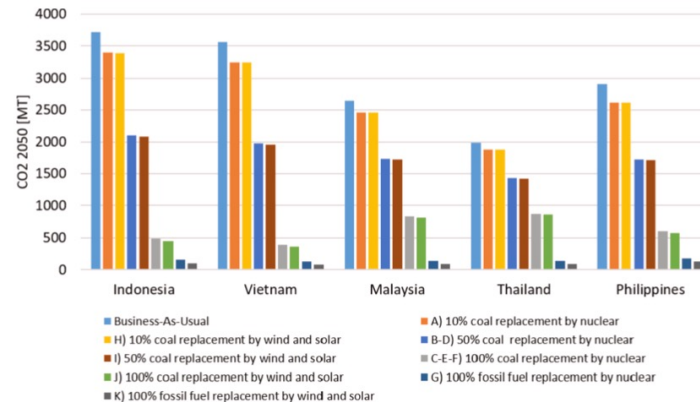
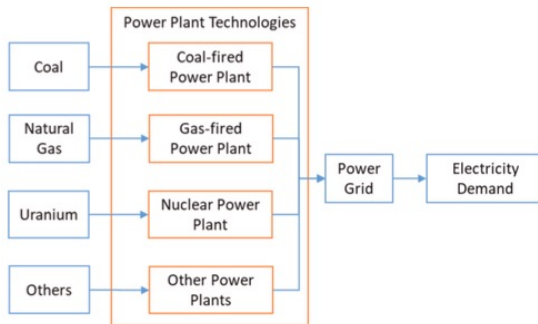
Nian & Zhong (2020). *Economic feasibility of flexible energy productions by small modular reactors from the perspective of integrated planning. Progress in Nuclear Energy. Vol 118. 103106.*





# Studies of nuclear energy for a net-zero ASEAN

- Scenario analysis using CSER in-house LCA-TEA modelling tool for a whole-system level modelling analysis.
- Case Studies on comparing the cost to achieve carbon neutrality with nuclear or renewables in five selected ASEAN countries
- Conclusion: nuclear is a cost-competitive carbon-free baseload technology for ASEAN

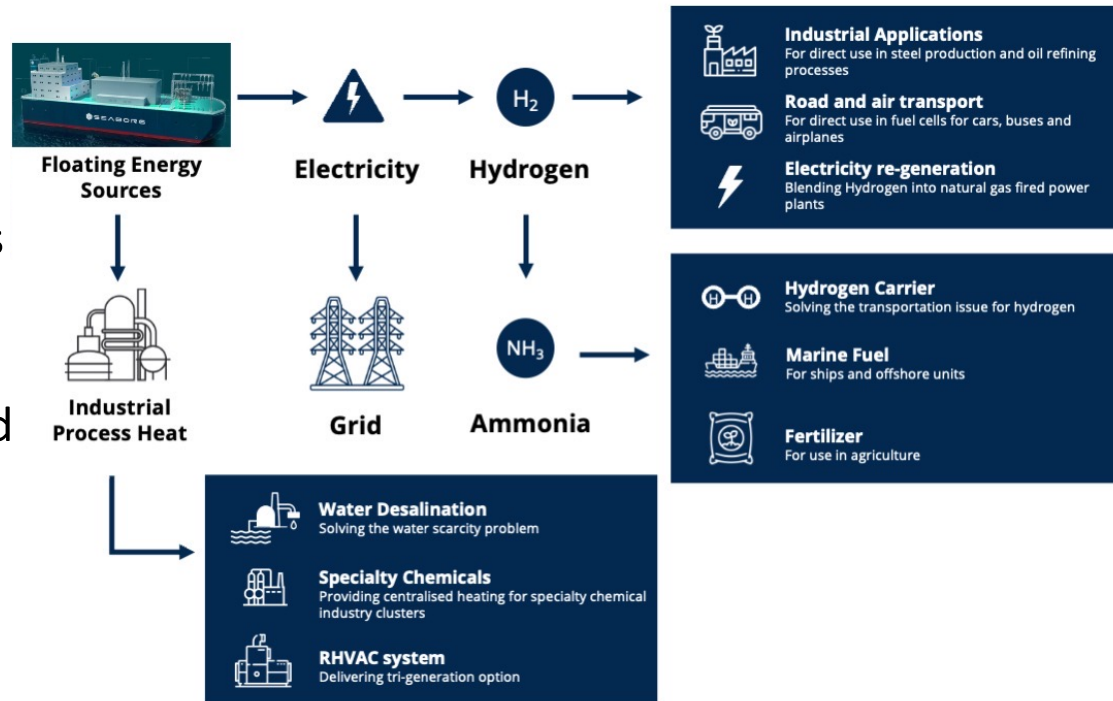


Nian et al. (2022), *Policies toward net-zero: Benchmarking the economic competitiveness of nuclear against wind and solar energy*, Applied Energy, Volume 320, 119275.

# Offshore floating multi-utility complex (FMUC) enabled by floating nuclear energy

## A CSER's example of an enabling ecosystem

- Harvest heat and power from high quality sustainable offshore energy sources
- Enable multiple and flexible use cases and business models across multiple value chains
- Improve economics, sustainability and resilience of energy
- Drive new policy and regulatory development to accelerate energy transition



Initial concept of floating multi-utility complex: <https://www.greendkinsea.com/post/an-ecosystem-approach-to-maritime-decarbonisation-in-asean>

# Critical success factors for ASEAN

- Recognise the need for a regional approach in safety, security and safeguards in developing sustainable and responsible national civilian nuclear programmes.
- Take a technology- and vendor-neutral approach when evaluating new build options through consultation with international experts, technical institutes, and agencies like the IAEA.
- Communicate the pros and cons with a good degree of transparency to key stakeholders and in a way the general public to ensure maximum support and public trust.
- Conduct studies on cross-sectoral use cases for advanced nuclear power technologies to become an integral part of future national strategies in sustainable development.



## **Latest CSER Policy Brief**

“Accelerating nuclear energy developments towards a net-zero ASEAN”

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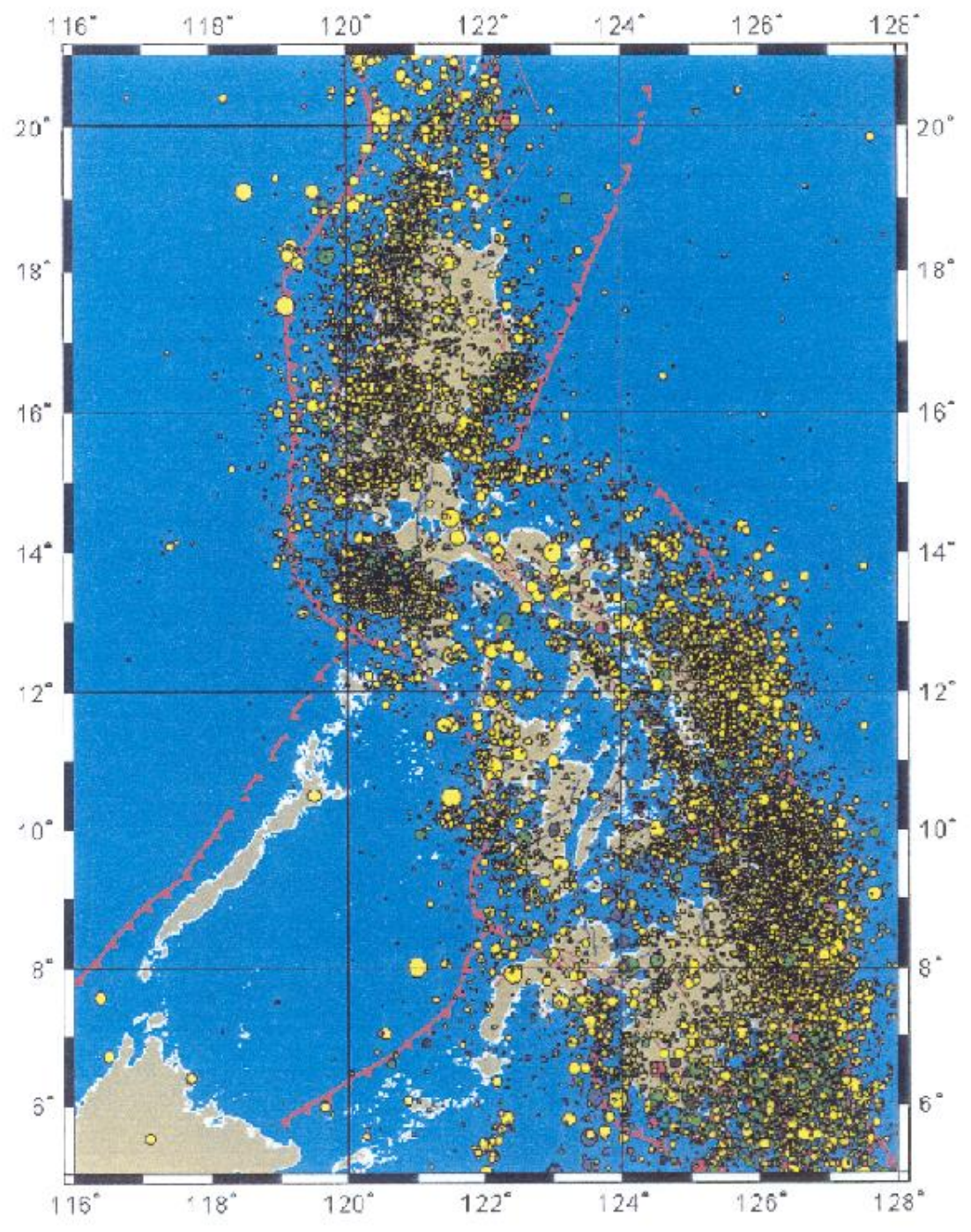
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# Nuclear Power: in the Philippines?

Dr. Carlo Arcilla

Director, PNRI



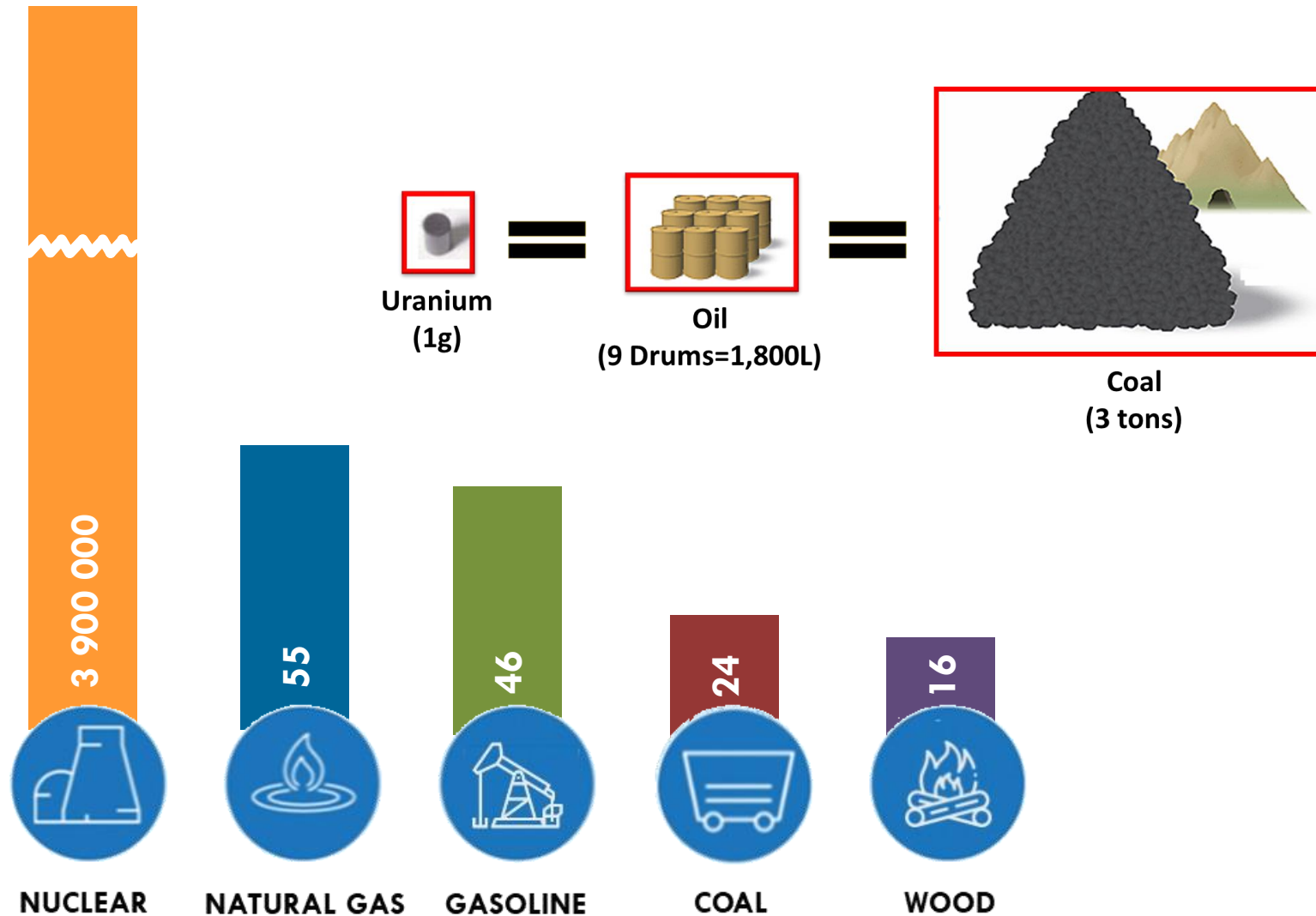


# Disasters in Philippines

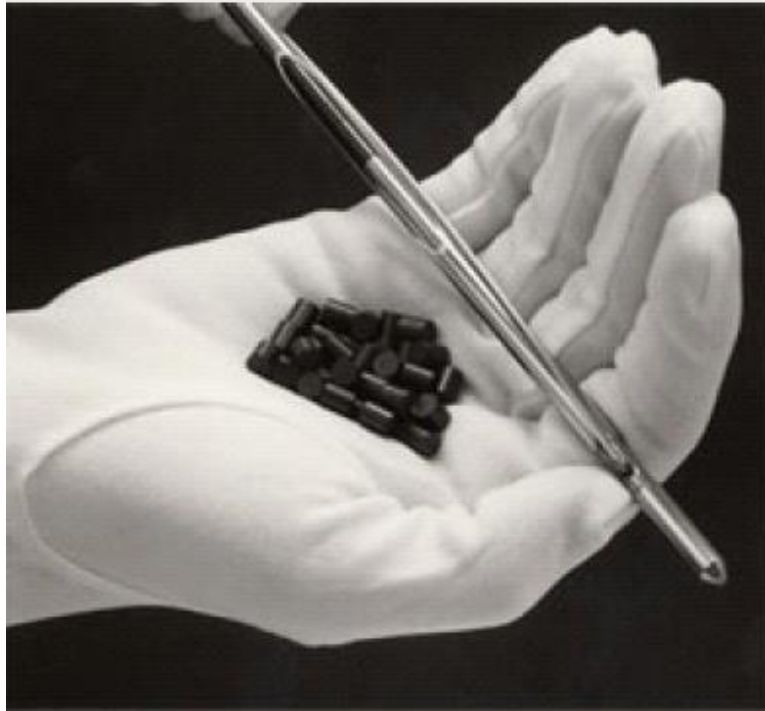
- Typhoons (20 a year)
- Volcanoes
- Tsunami
- Earthquakes
- Floods
- **politicians**



# Energy density (MJ/kg) by energy source



## Nuclear Fuel: Small volumes, high energy contents



- 1 pellet produces the energy of 1.5 tonnes of coal
- Each pellet produces 5000 kWh

# CAPACITY FACTOR BY ENERGY SOURCE

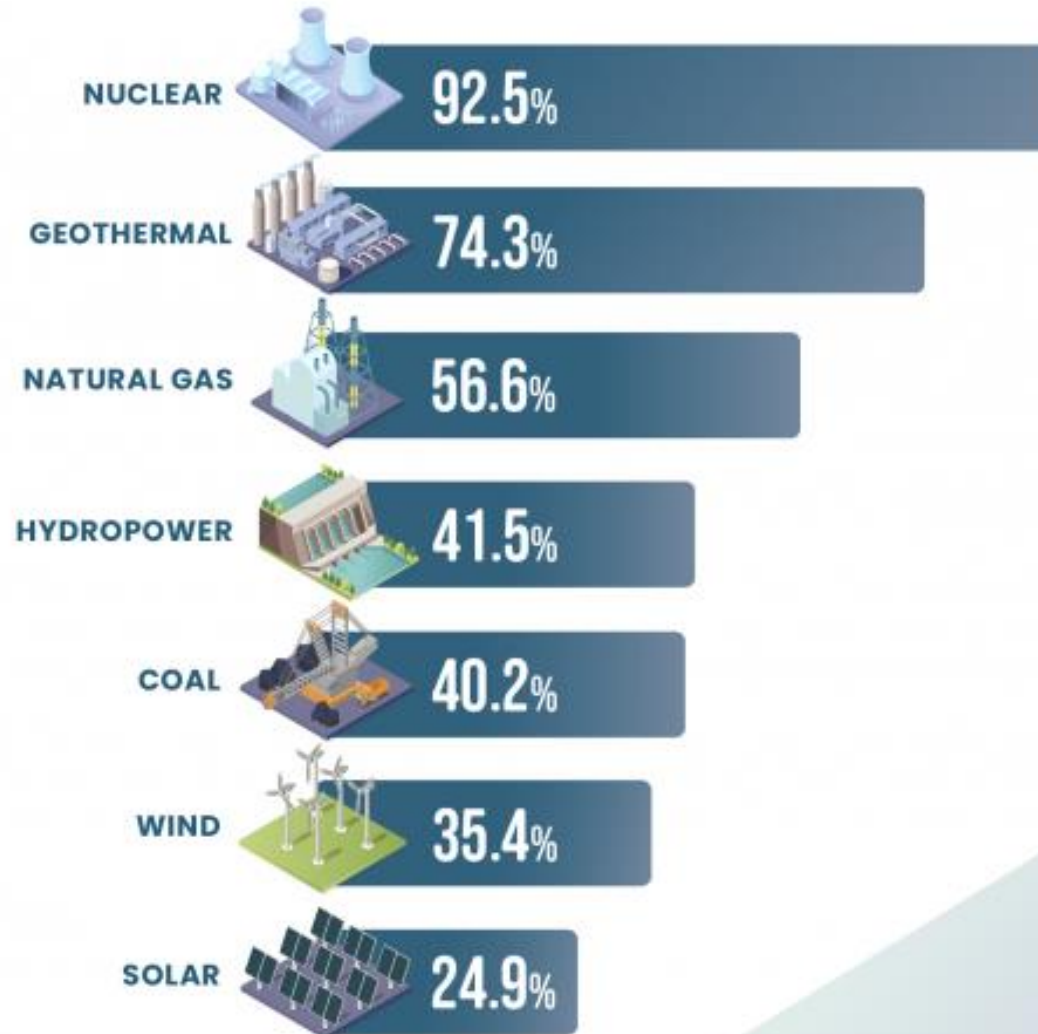
## Capacity Factor by Energy Source in 2020

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



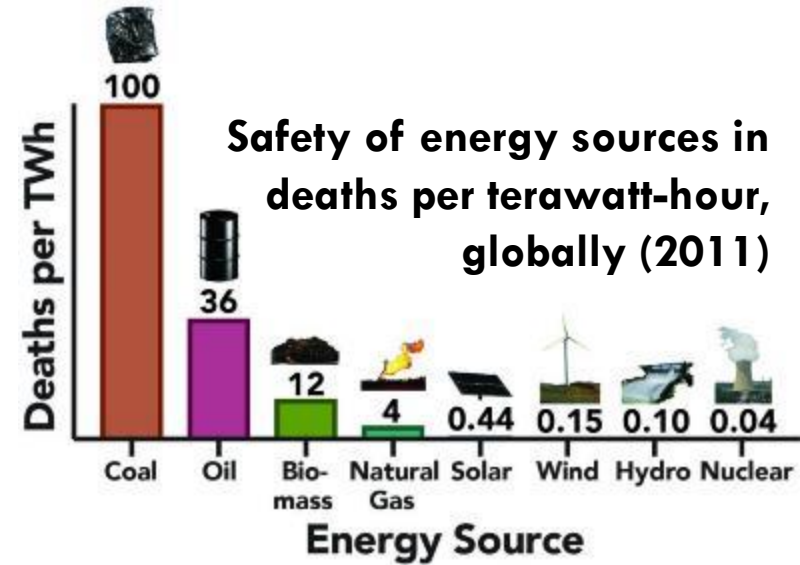
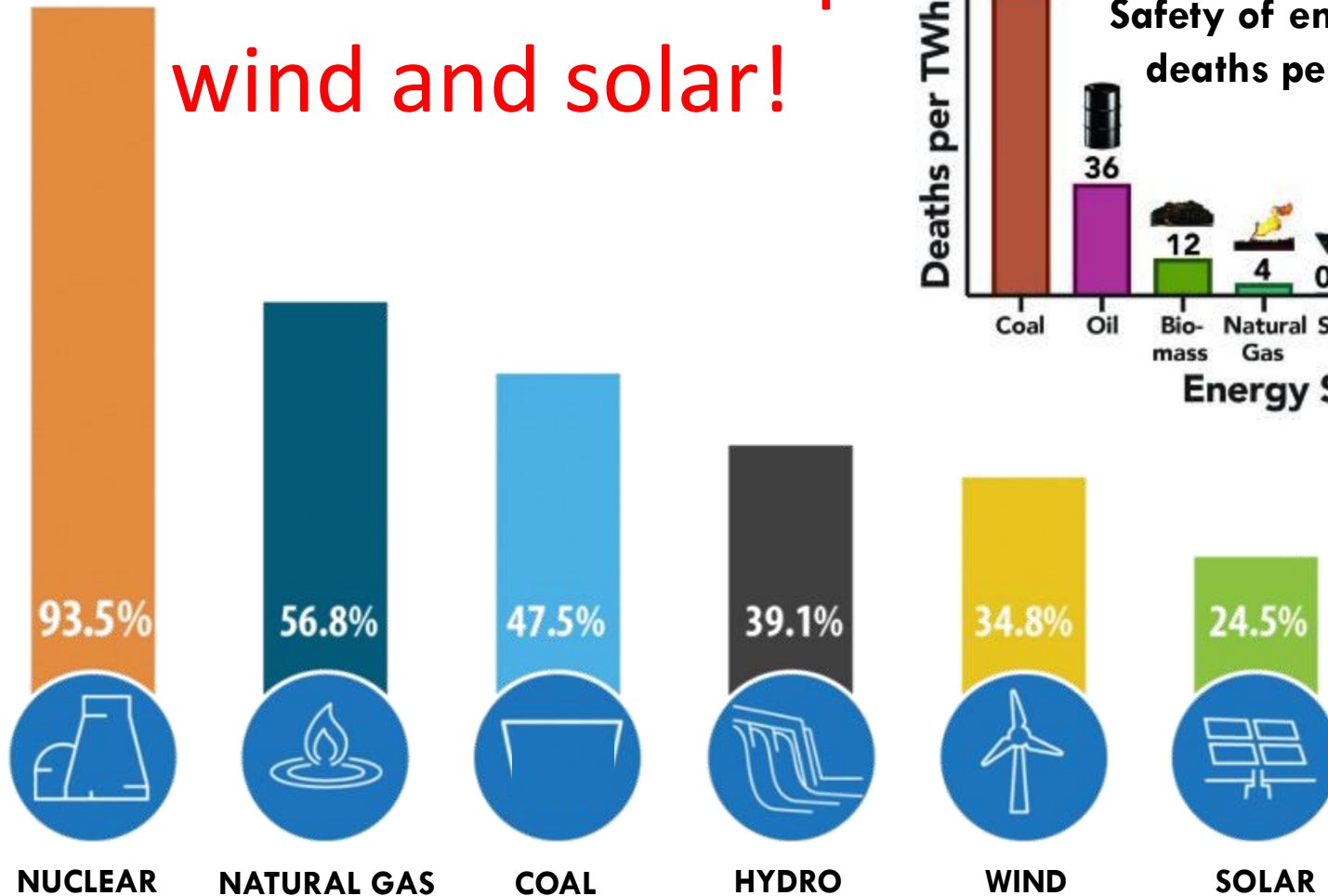
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# Capacity factor and safety by energy source

Nuclear can backup  
wind and solar!



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2019

# Not about either, or – **balanced mix is needed**

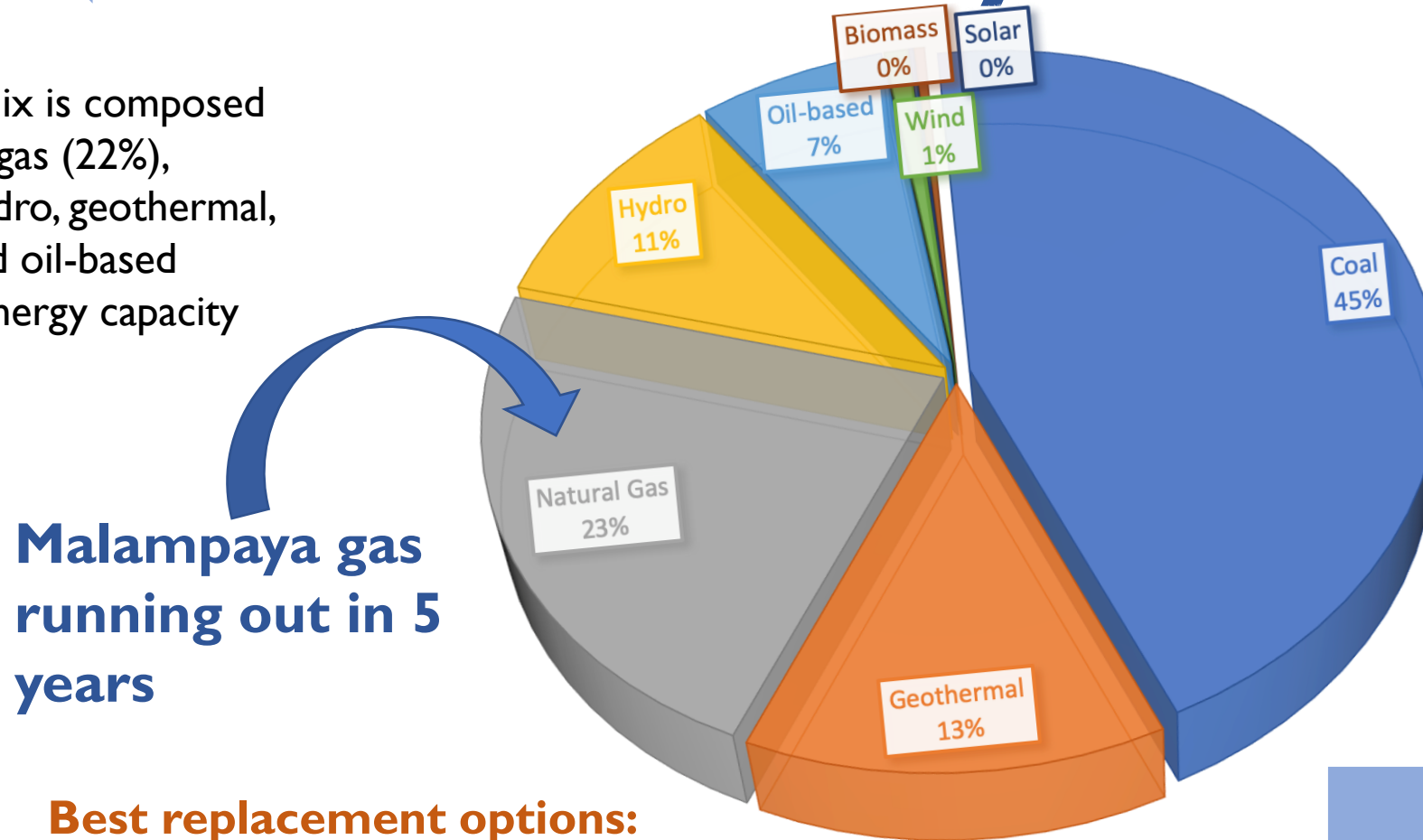
## **It is not about either or**

It is not possible to deliver energy without negative consequences. It is all about finding a balance that is acceptable and providing the lowest possible total footprint. No single energy source can solve the climate challenge alone, and a power mix consisting only of renewables will, in addition to having practical and economic challenges, bring unnecessarily large negative consequences for nature and the environment. A constructive climate debate therefore requires an understanding of each energy source's impact on climate, environment, health and economy. Hopefully, the work I have done, with good help from geophysics student Wouter Bell Gravendeel, and documented in four different articles, can contribute in the right direction.

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# PHL Electricity Mix

The current energy mix is composed of coal (47%), natural gas (22%), renewable energy (hydro, geothermal, wind, solar) (24%), and oil-based (6.2%) with current energy capacity at 23GW



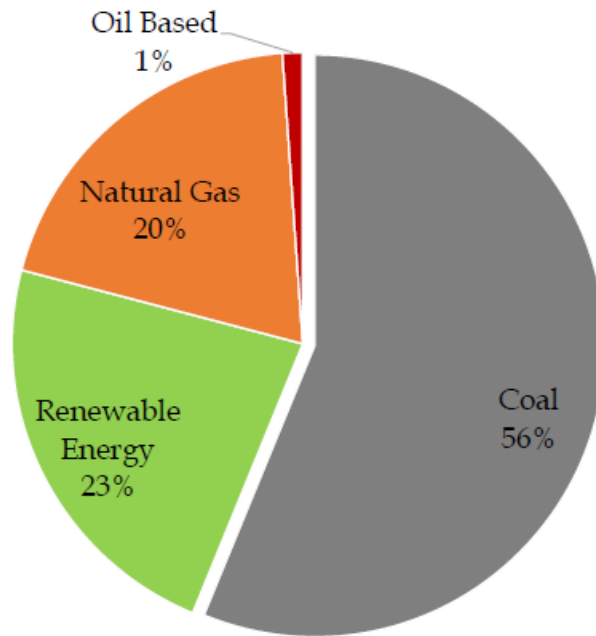
**Malampaya gas running out in 5 years**

**Best replacement options:  
Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) along  
with Nuclear Energy**

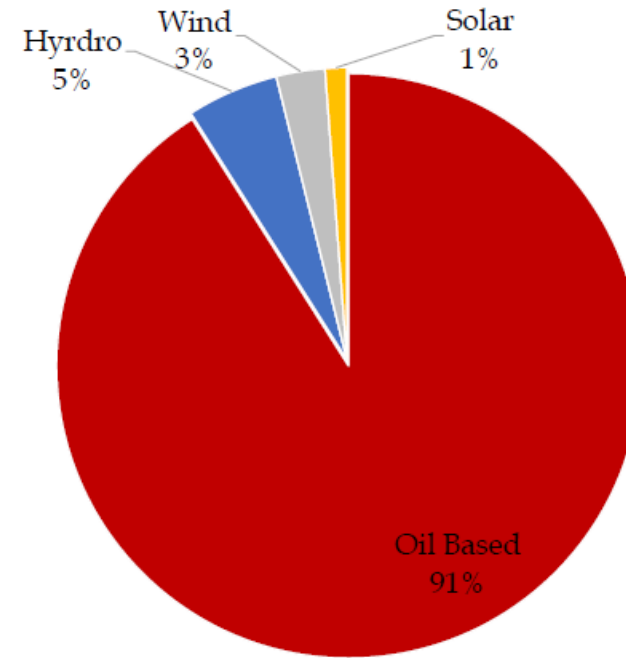
# THE REALITY CHECK

## Energy Mix

2022 Gross Energy Generation Mix -  
Main Grid (1<sup>ST</sup> Quarter)



2020 Energy Generation Mix for Off-Grid



16/08/2022

# LNG prices from \$10M to \$281M in one year- 2020-2021!

## (Malampaya supplies 40% of Luzon power)



Caloy Arcilla

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And Malampaya, supplying 40% of Luzon's power is running out in a few years...



AFR.COM

**A cargo ship of LNG costs \$281m. It was just \$10m in 2020.**

Last year, demand for liquefied natural gas had sunk so much that dozens of cargo loads simp...



# Why Nuclear ?

**A median Filipino family pays more than 10% of its monthly income for electricity!**

High electricity costs **could be** reason why 79% of PHL population supports nuclear power (DOE Survey, May 2019)

**Nuclear is competitive with gas and coal but small volume favors energy security**

# SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY

If nuclear is unsafe why does USA have nearly 100 NPP, supplying 20% of its electricity, operating close to 60 years?

# EXECUTIVE ORDER 164

Signed by President Rodrigo Duterte on 28 February 2022

## NUCLEAR ENERGY PROGRAM

STARTS WITH THE INCLUSION OF NUCLEAR POWER IN THE ENERGY MIX

DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR POWER INFRASTRUCTURE

### E.O. 164 | ADOPTING A NATIONAL POSITION FOR A NUCLEAR ENERGY PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Executive Order No. 164, s. 2022 is the first step in the Milestones Approach of the International Atomic Energy Agency which includes 19 infrastructure issues that require specific actions in every phase.



# NATIONAL POSITION ON NUCLEAR ENERGY

First requirement of a country embarking on a nuclear power program

- The most significant government action on nuclear since the construction and stoppage of the Bataan Nuclear power plant in the 1980's



MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 164

**ADOPTING A NATIONAL POSITION FOR A NUCLEAR ENERGY PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, Section 1, Article XII of the Constitution adopts the general economic policy of a more equitable distribution of opportunities, income and wealth, including the promotion of industries that make full and efficient use of human and natural resources, and which are competitive in both domestic and foreign markets;

**WHEREAS**, the updated Philippine Development Plan 2017 to 2022 recognizes a balance among energy tariffs, service reliability and environmental soundness of different technologies in ensuring energy supply flexibility and security, and improving electric grid performance and asset utilization;

**WHEREAS**, to provide for a strategic direction of the State's energy requirements, the Philippine Energy Plan 2018 to 2040 supports a technology-neutral approach for the optimal energy mix to ensure energy security and improve the reliability, adequacy and efficiency of energy needed to supply the demands of an upper middle income economy;

**WHEREAS**, the competitive position of nuclear energy is recognized and the experience of highly developed countries shows that nuclear power can be a reliable, cost-competitive and environment-friendly energy source;

**WHEREAS**, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has prescribed *Guidelines on Building a National Position for a Nuclear Power Program* under IAEA Nuclear Energy Series NG-T-3.14 (2016), which identifies significant components thereof, such as but not limited to national policy development, energy analysis and planning, pre-feasibility study, and the engagement of the public and relevant stakeholders;

**WHEREAS**, the State has committed to a multi-stakeholder involvement in developing the country's National Position for a Nuclear Energy Program and shall at all times abide by the international standards on safety, security and safeguards on peaceful development of nuclear energy;

THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

# PRESIDENTS WANT NUCLEAR POWER



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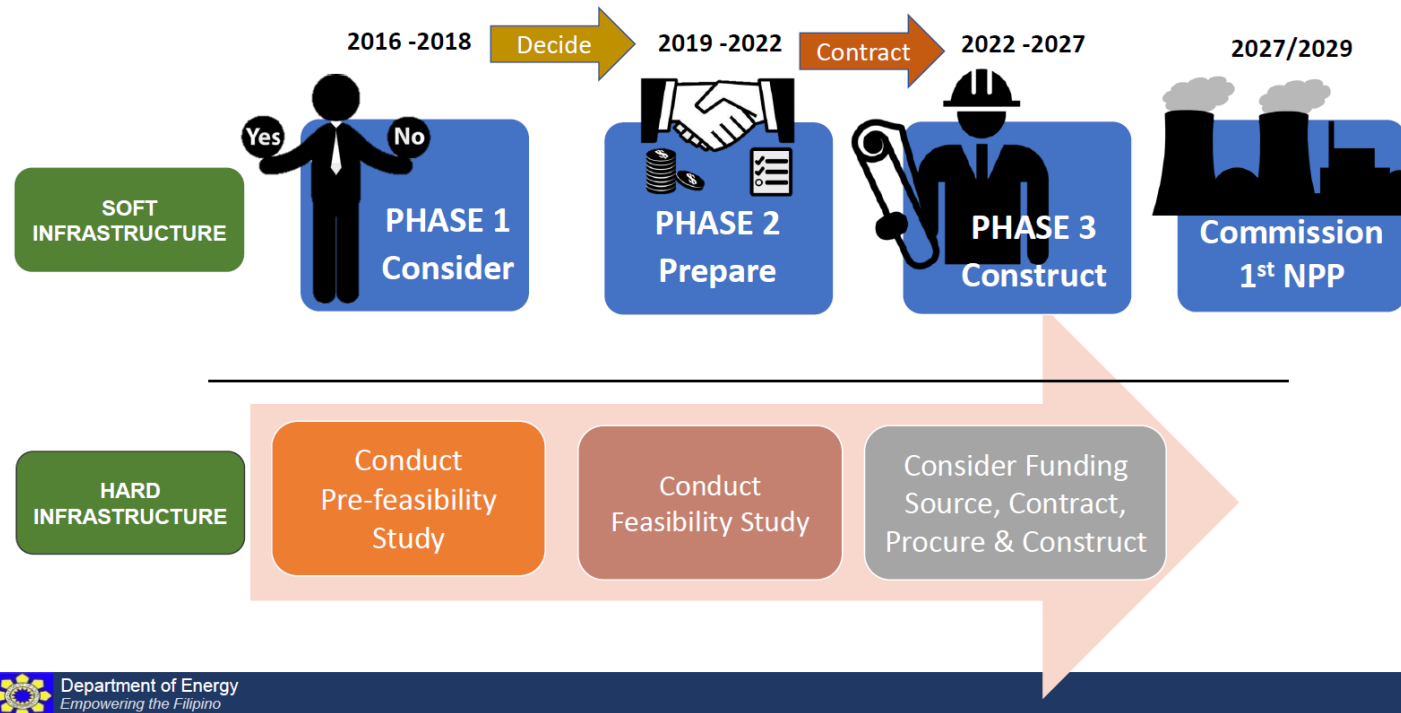
**Duterte hopes next administration will look into use of nuclear power**

"We're not yet dito sa nuclear level but I hope the next administration would at least explore n..."



# OUTLINE (IAEA MILESTONES APPROACH)

## Roadmap of the Philippine Nuclear Power Program



# ACTIVITIES

## Integrated Nuclear Infrastructure Review

- Identification of the 19 infrastructure issues outlined the following cornerstones:
  - **Policy**
  - **Legislative Framework**
  - **Public Acceptability**
  - **Alignment with International Standards**

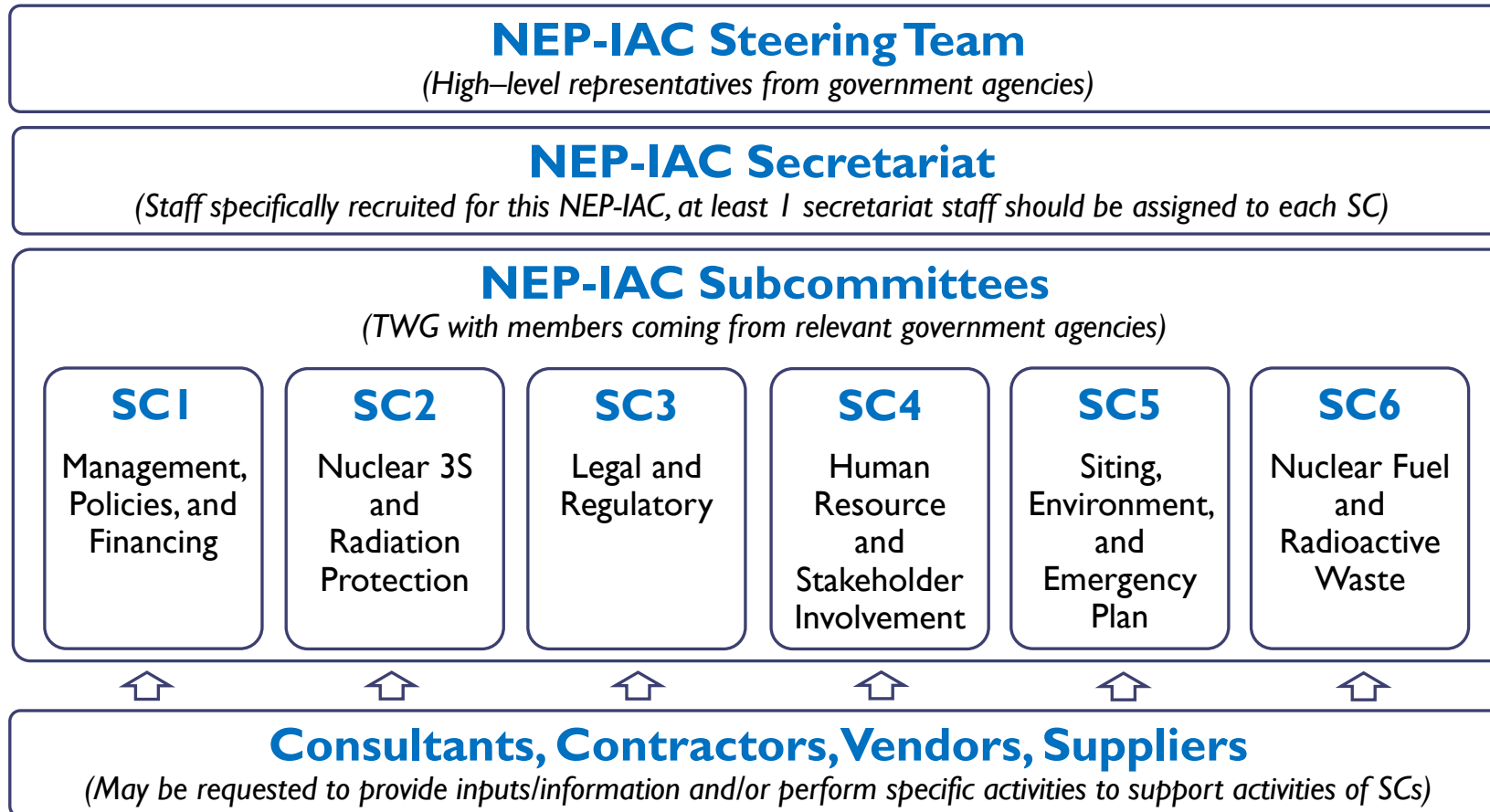
## Integrated Work Plan

- A total of 19 activities were identified for the years;  
10 activities for 2020, 9 activities for 2021.
- The largest part of the activities relates to the
  - **National Position**
  - **Legal and Regulatory Framework**
  - **Human Resource Development**
  - **Stakeholders Involvement**



# NEP-IAC STRUCTURE

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# INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY: ATOMS FOR PEACE



# Special Congressional Committee on Nuclear Energy approved; proposed by Cong. Sandro Marcos



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## House creates special panel on nuclear energy

The lower house elected Rep. Mark Cojuangco (Pangasinan) as the chairperson of the 25-mem...

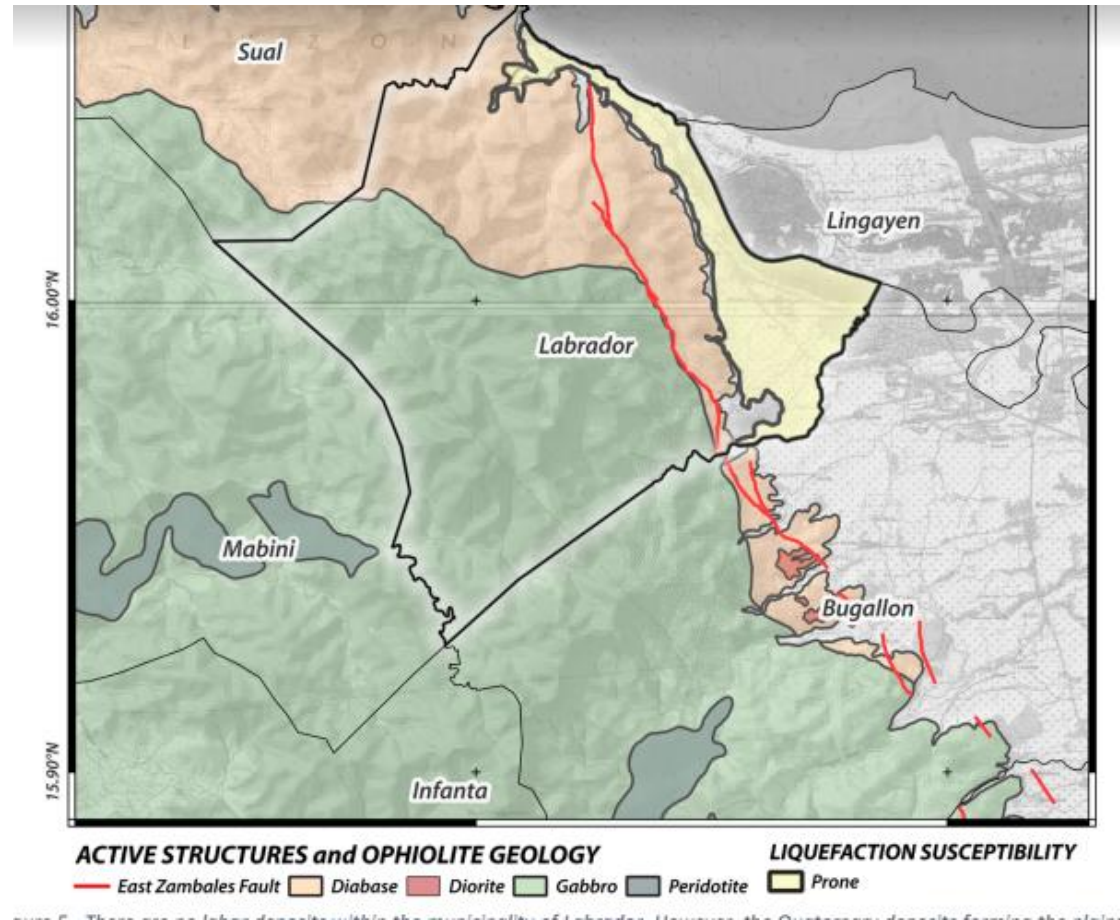
# Passage of nuclear law to be championed by Congressman Mark Cojuangco, chair of new Congressional Committee on Nuclear Energy

[https://youtu.be/\\_JpqfBn1AzI](https://youtu.be/_JpqfBn1AzI)

The Urgency and Imperative of Nuclear Electricity for the Philippines



# Pangasinan Town unanimously asking a Nuclear Plant to be sited in their vicinity!



# Site exclusion report following IAEA GUIDES

## **PRELIMINARY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT SITING REPORT**

*For the Municipality of Labrador, Pangasinan*

Selection of sites for nuclear installations requires extensive interdisciplinary studies encompassing geological, hydrological, environmental, engineering, social, and radiological impact assessments. These are described in several safety guidelines set by the international agency that governs nuclear facilities – the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). The Philippines is one of the member states under this agency that benefit from these safety guidelines. Construction of nuclear power plants also falls under the siting for nuclear installation, and the considerations and general criteria are broadly explained in one of their publications on Safety Standards for Site Survey and Site Selection for Nuclear Installation under Specific Safety Guide (SSG) No. 35 (SSG-35) [1]. Under this guide, there are five stages relating to the safety considerations for the site of a nuclear installation, and the first step is the site survey process. In this site survey stage, large regions of interest are investigated to find potential



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Addressing Challenges Together

PNRI research reactor team after complete nuclear fuel loading. First TRIGA subcritical reactor worldwide. PROUDLY PINOY!!



# PNRI restarts nuclear research reactor after 34 years

**Safety, Security and Safeguards**



# Small Modular Reactor Definition

Advanced Reactors that produce typically up to 300 MWe, built in factories and transported as Modules to sites for Installation as demand arises.



LARGE, CONVENTIONAL REACTOR  
700+ MW(e)



SMALL MODULAR REACTOR  
Up to 300 MW(e)



MICROREACTOR  
Up to ~10 MW(e)



**Small:** in size, comparing to traditional reactors.

**Modular:** factory-manufactured, installed onsite.

**Reactor:** energy generation via nuclear fission.

# SMR 10-year Deployment Horizon





# Bataan Nuclear Power Plant



# Bataan Nuclear Power Plant

- Built at cost of US\$ 2.3 billion
- Alleged corruption by 1<sup>st</sup> Marcos government AND Westinghouse Corporation
- Completed but closed nearly 35 years ago, mainly due to "safety reasons"--not 1 watt produced
- 3 exact operating models for more than 30 years – Korea, Slovenia and Brazil
- **Situated close to (or on) a “dormant” volcano and a fault – the recurring reason given why the plant was mothballed**













<b>Soviet</b>	<b>West</b>
<b>Converted weapon plant design</b>	<b>Built to commercial power plant</b>
<b>No containment (warehouse type building structure)</b>	<b>Containment (steel, air gap, concrete wall)</b>
<b>Graphite (flammable, fire)</b>	<b>Superalloys (meltdown)</b>
<b>Military civil management performed illegal experiment on a Civil power plant</b>	<b>Commercial plant not subject to equipment experimental trials</b>
<b>Closed system</b>	<b>International peer review</b>
<b>Positive reaction coefficient</b>	<b>Negative reaction coefficient</b>



Korea has an EXACT copy of the BNPP Westinghouse  
Designed-plant that has been in operation since 1983

- no major accidents
- cost US \$1 billion (compared to US 1.2 billion for BNPP)
- BNPP incorporated safety design lessons learned from  
Three Mile Island accident; KORI 2 did not
- Korean power rates are approximately half that of RP
- Korean Plant recovered in 7 years (lesser in RP)
- (note that \$2.3 billion cost of Philippine nuclear plant is  
due to interest payments and absence of  
revenues from power generation)
- Korean nuclear engineers confident BNPP  
can be operated again



No Fear – Korea now has 23 NPP  
has about half our electric rates



# Research institute: South Korea offered to rehabilitate Bataan Nuclear Power Plant

By CNN Philippines Staff

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**BNPP URANIUM FUEL WOULD LAST  
18 MONTHS--IF BNPP WERE A 620 MW  
COAL PLANT:**

**coal**

**50 Panamax ships**

Importation cost = USD 600 million



**nuclear**



**1 jeepney**

USD 20 million

# Is there a Fault **Beneath** the Bataan Nuclear Power Plant?

A systematic study using  
Electrical Resistivity,  
Seismic Refraction and  
Radon Gas Detection

By

Dr. Carlo A. Arcilla, Richard Jason Antonio

Mario Collado

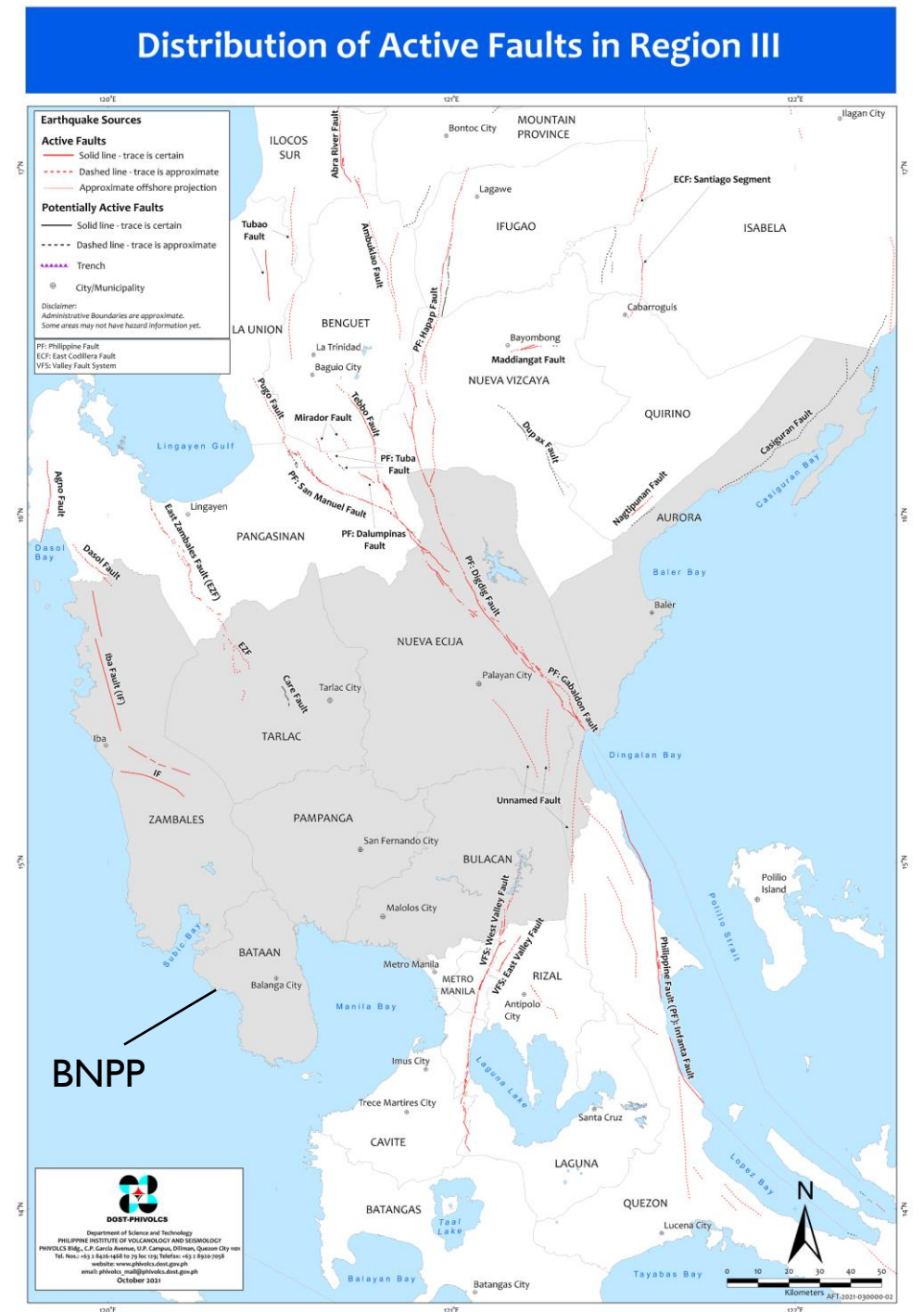
Benjamin Punay (RIP)

# This study only aims to test if the BNPP is located ON TOP of an active fault

- It does not seek to study location of faults BESIDE or CLOSE to the structure (covered by engineering design?)
- An active fault BENEATH the BNPP will condemn the structure immediately AND absolutely.

# Active Faults

- By definition, *active faults MUST have surficial manifestations* (e.g., stream displacements, damaged structures, etc.)
- The active fault map of the Philippines by PHIVOLCS **does not** list an active fault in the vicinity of the BNPP





# Examples of structures with faults beneath them



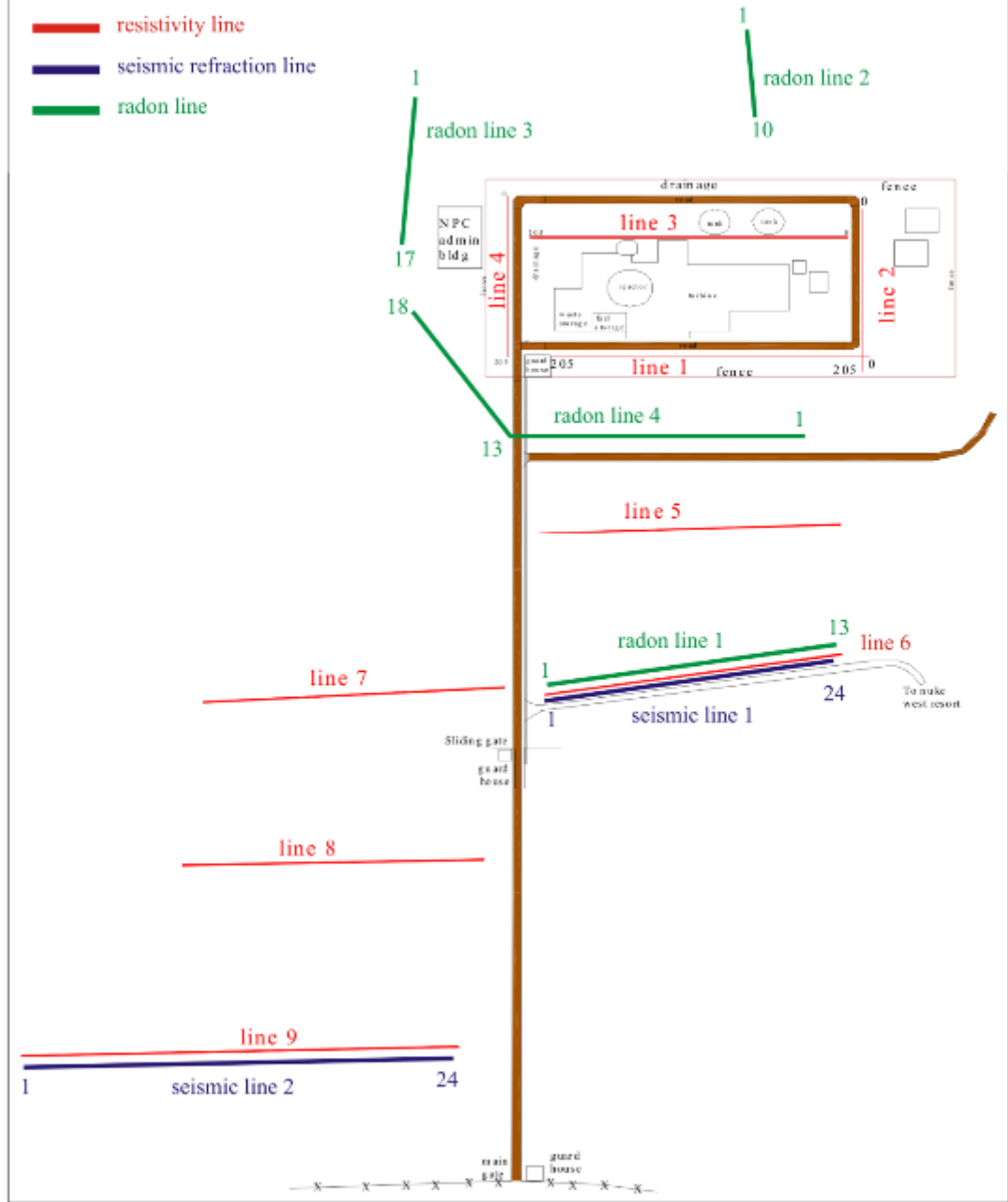




# Methods

- Electrical Resistivity (Mario Collado)
- Seismic Refraction (Benjamin Punay)
- Geochemical Fault detection by Radon gas survey (with Jason Antonio, Peter Zamora, Tina Petrache)

- resistivity line
- seismic refraction line
- radon line



# Field measurement





# Summary

- NINE (9) lines of electrical resistivity were laid out along the perimeter of the Bataan Nuclear Power Plant to determine if there is a fault beneath the building. Using close-spaced electrodes in a Wenner array, the four 2-D electrical resistivity sounding profiles show NO evidence of faults underneath the Bataan Nuclear Power Plant







The seismic refraction data strongly support the findings of the electrical resistivity surveys:

**No faults are detected  
beneath the BNPP**

Radon and Thoron  
soil gas testing:  
Geochemical detection of  
hidden faults  
(another independent test)

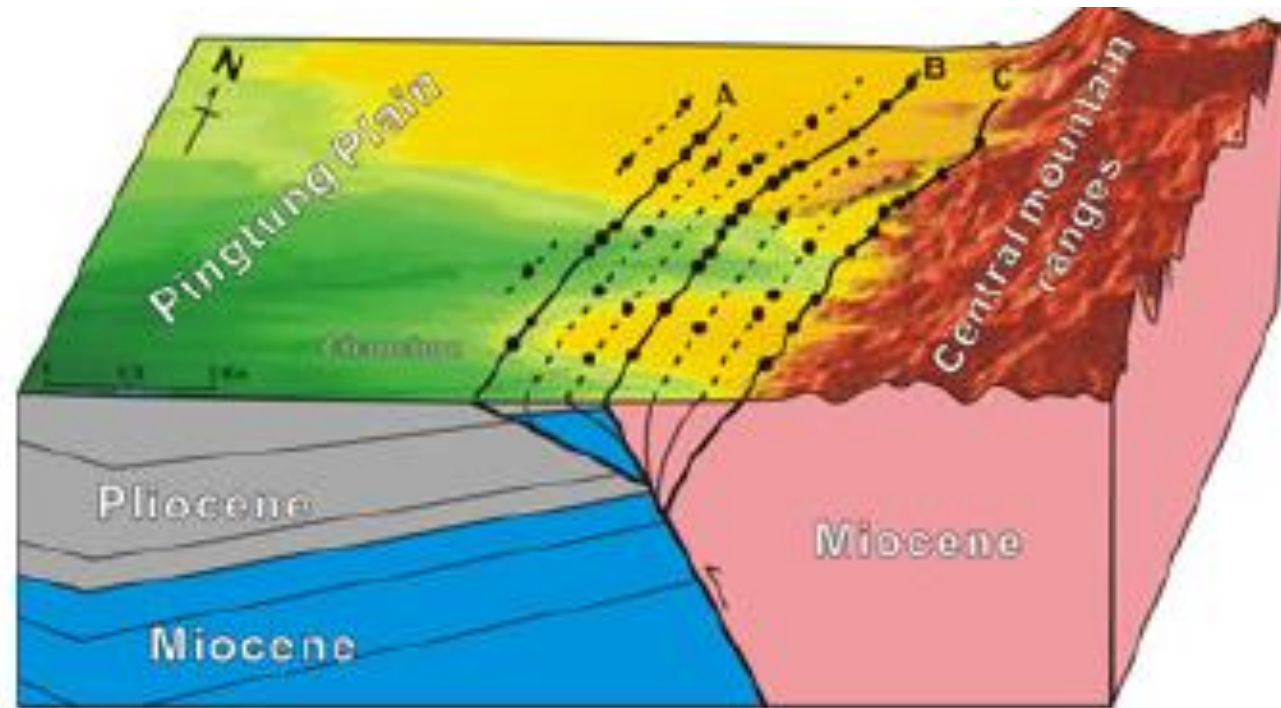
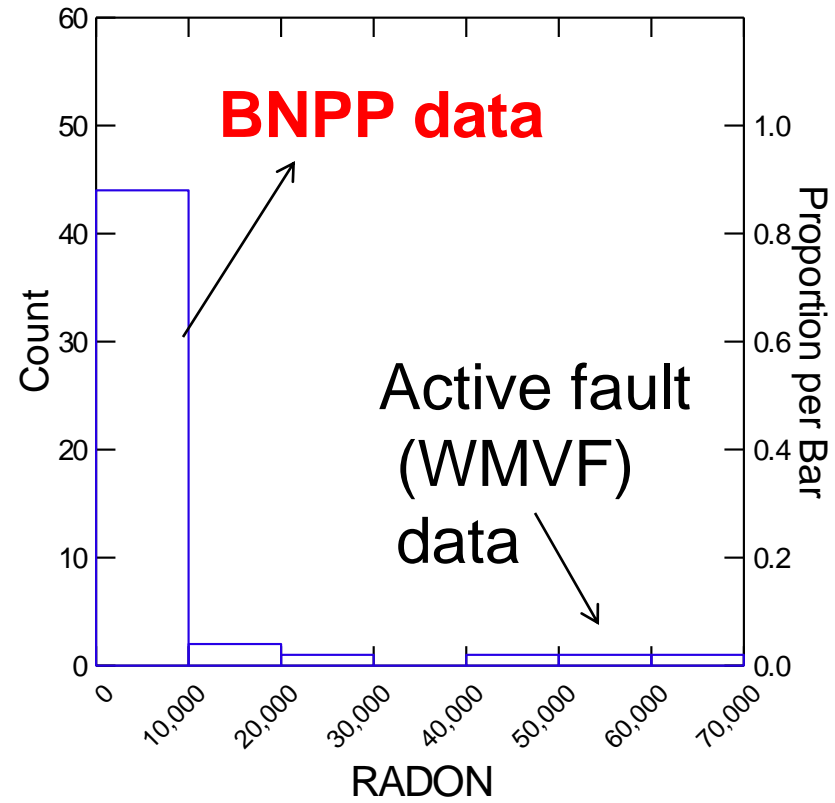


Fig. 5. Example for the delineation of the surface trace of a fault zone by soil gas survey in southern Taiwan (modified from Fu *et al.* 2005). Black circles indicate the sites with anomalous soil concentrations; those sites can delineate the surface traces of the faults/fractures.

Yang *et al.*, 2008







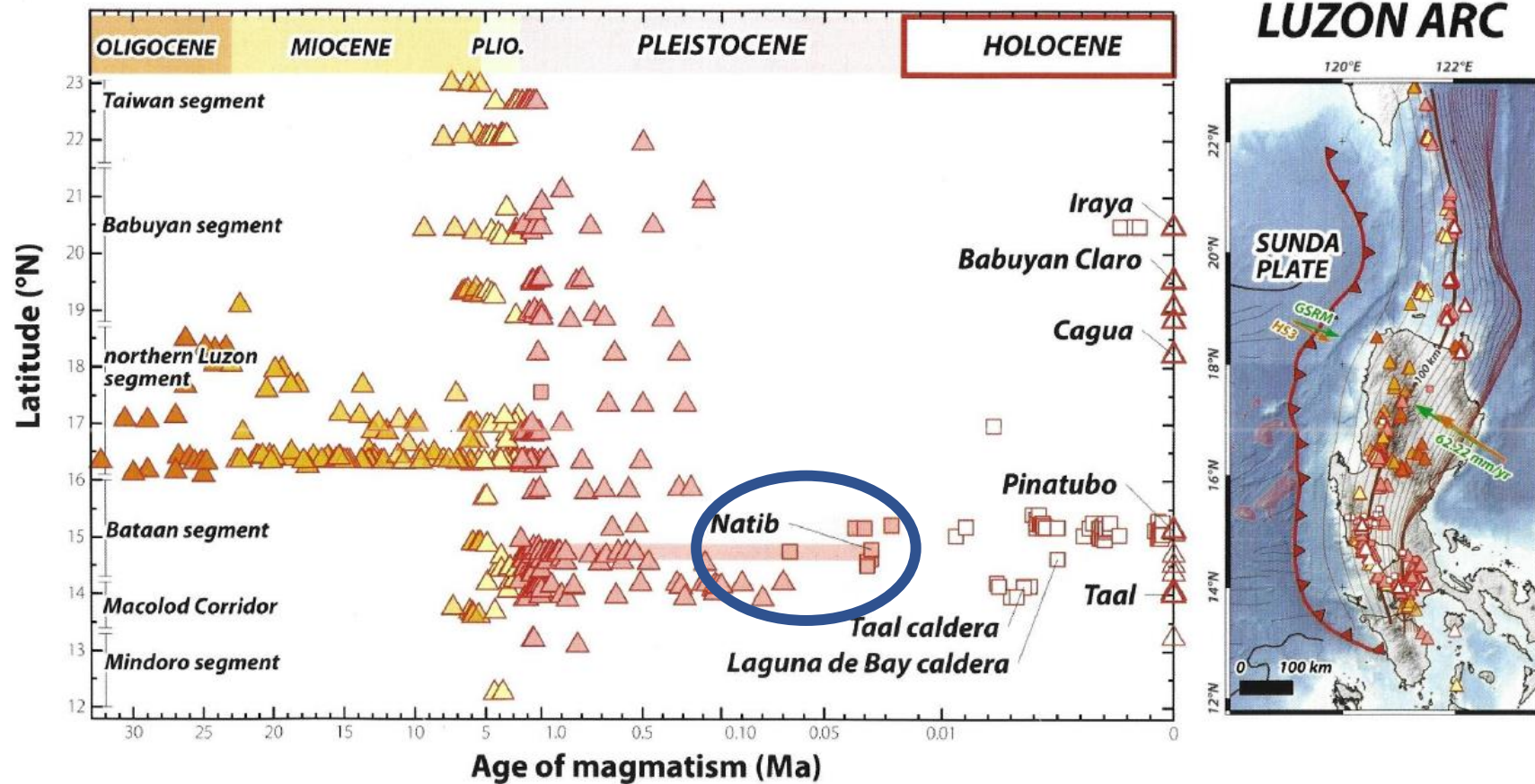
WMVF – West Marikina Valley Fault  
Arcilla et al, 1987



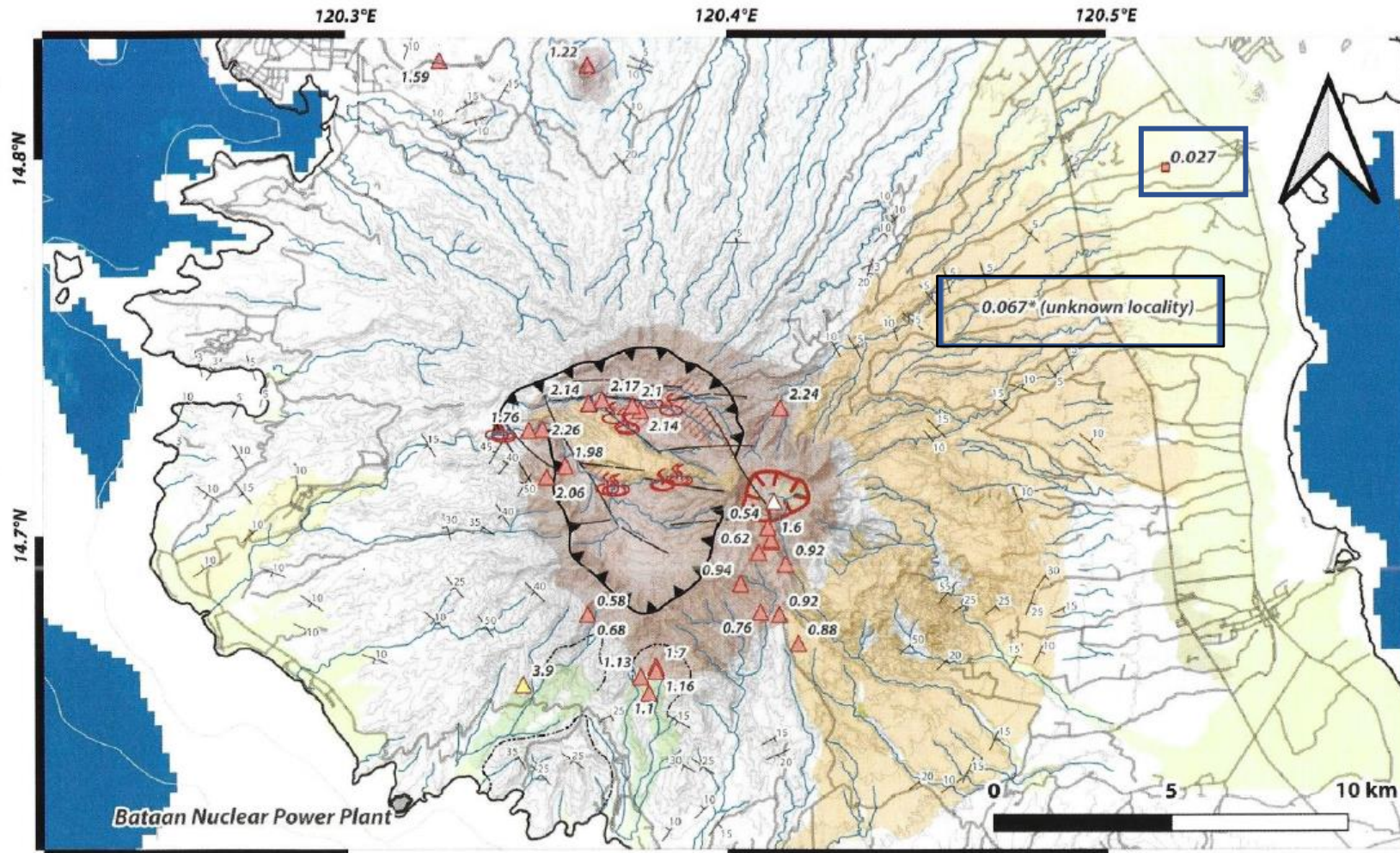
# Volcanic Risk

- Age of the volcano in question
- Pyroclastic flows from Mt Natib have been mapped very close to the BNPP
- ONLY TWO reliable age dates :
  - 27,000 ( $^{14}\text{C}$ , known location) and 67,000- 69,000 years (fission track) Currently searching and testing for charcoal from latest eruption.

# Ages of Philippine Volcanoes

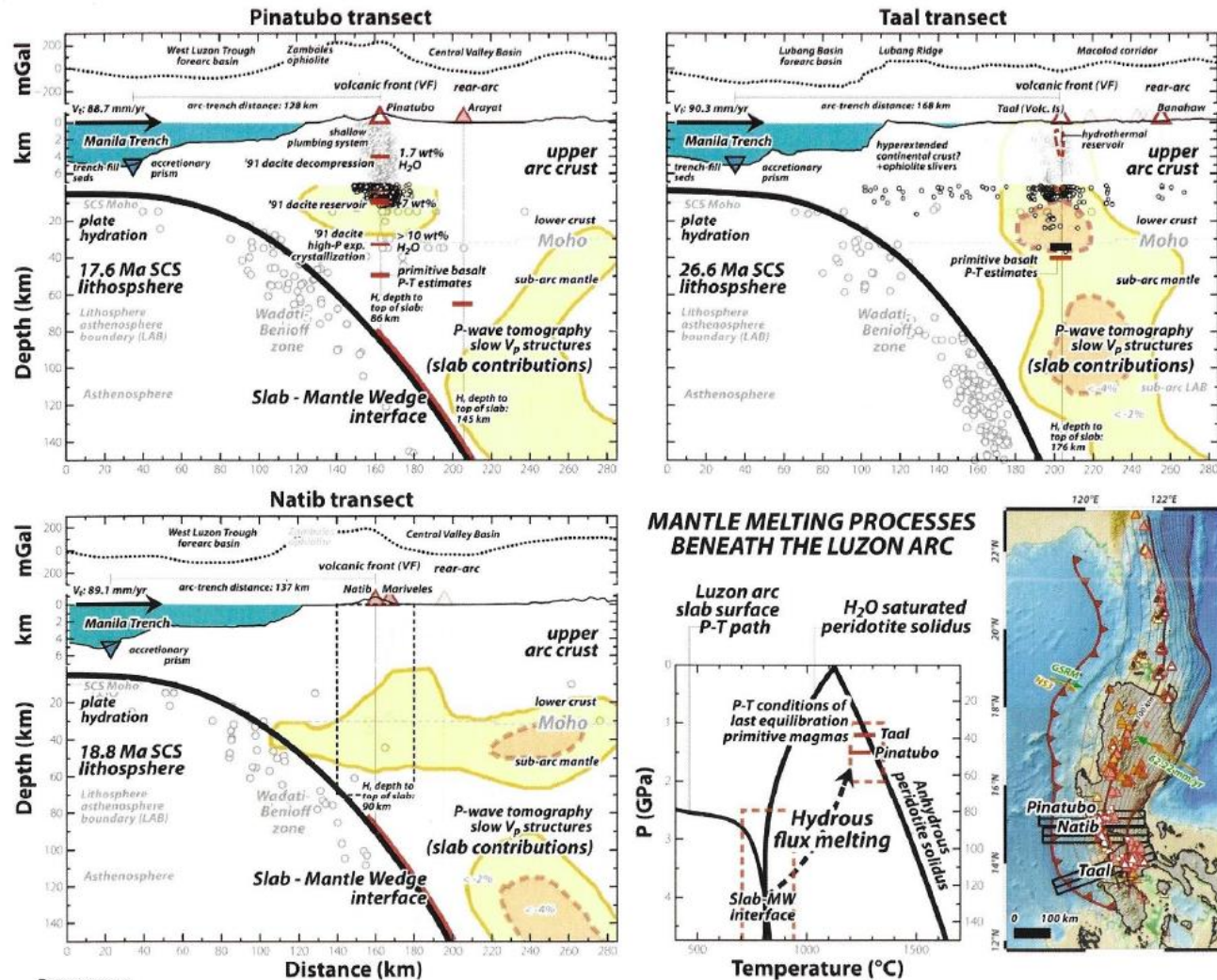


# Mt. Natib volcanic age and geology



- |                                 |                                |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| — road network                  | Mt. Natib crater               | Holocene surficial deposits, alluvium and beach deposits                    |
| thermal spring                  | Natib caldera structure        | prob. Quaternary lahar-mudflow exposed as boulder fields                    |
| altered ground                  | <b>14C age-dated locality</b>  | Quaternary weakly consolidated sed. rocks (pyroclastics-derived)            |
| strike and dip of bedding (MGB) | Pleistocene (1.05 - 0.012 Ma)  | Quaternary weakly consolidated pyroclastic units                            |
| — caldera faults (PNOC)         | <b>K-Ar age-dated locality</b> | Quaternary moderately consolidated sed. rocks incl. lacustrine deposits     |
| - - - slide scarp               | Pleistocene (1.05 - 0.012 Ma)  | Tertiary-Quaternary pyroclastics incl. volcanic breccia, lapilli tuff, tuff |
|                                 | Pliocene (5.33 - 2.58 Ma)      | Tertiary-Quaternary intercalated lava flows-pyroclastics                    |

# No volcano seismicity beneath Natib, vis-à-vis very active seismicity beneath Pinatubo and Taal



Data sources:  
 Slab depths- Hayes et al. 2018, Elevation- Sandwell and Smith 2014, Free-air gravity- Bonvalot et al., 2012, Seismicity- Ramos et al. 1999, You et al. 2013, Engdahl et al. 2020, Seismic tomography and magnetotellurics - Sevilla 2011, Alanis et al. 2015, Subduction seafloor ages- Seton et al. 2020, Crustal and lithospheric thickness - Bosana et al. 1995, Laske et al. 2013, Alfonso and Salajegdeh 2019, SU-PSP plate velocity- DeMets et al. 2010, Petrologically-derived P-T conditions - Arcilla 1998, Rutherford and Devine 1996, Scaillet and Evans 1999, Prouteau and Scaillet 2003, Borisova et al. 2005, Peridotite solidi: Hirschmann 2000, Till et al. 2011, Grove et al. 2012, Slab P-T path: Syracuse et al. 2010

# Manila and Clark would not have passed risk criteria imposed by earthquake and volcanic factors!

- If we follow the (defective) reasoning for closing the Bataan Nuclear Power Plant, then the cities of Manila and Angeles (Clark) should have never been built in the first place.

## Closure of nuclear facility was very painful economically

- Single largest debt item of the Philippines
- A poor country until April 2007 paying \$180,000 per day just on interest payments
- Resulted in crippling power failures in the 1990s with untold economic losses
- Crippling power failures opened floodgates to maze of independent power suppliers which has made power very expensive

# COMPARING HISTORICAL GDP AND GDP GROWTH RATES WITH A COUNTERFACTUAL THAT ASSUMES BATAAN NUCLEAR POWER PLANT OPERATION, 1988-1993 (JOSEF, 2022)

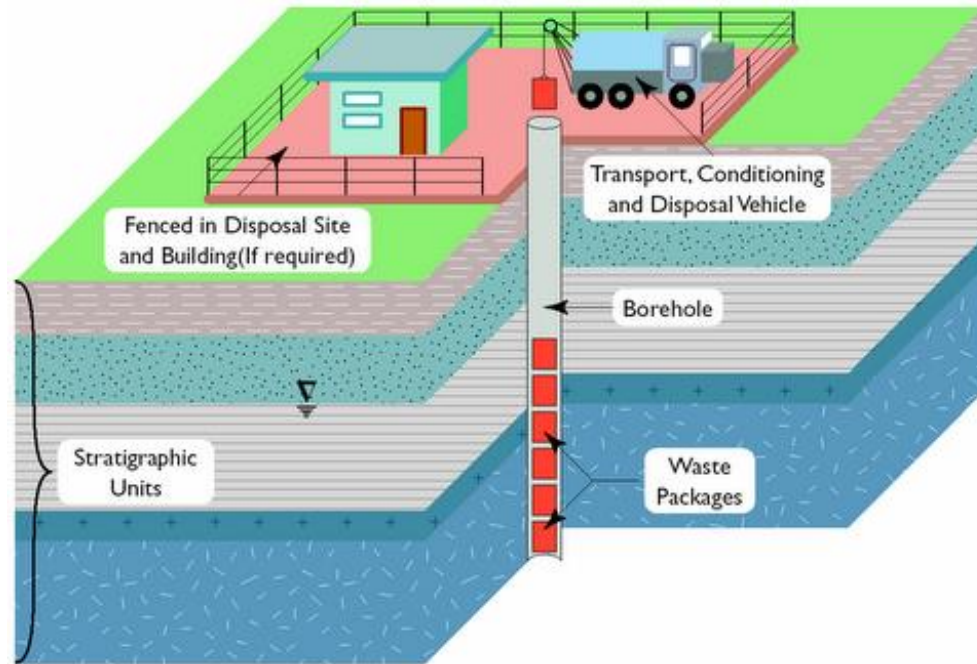
Table 2. Comparing historical GDP and GDP growth rates with a counterfactual that assumes Bataan Nuclear Power Plant operation, 1988–1993.

<b>Year</b>	<b>GDP growth rate</b>	<b>GDP in constant prices (PhP, base year 2018)</b>	<b>Counterfactual GDP growth rate</b>	<b>Counterfactual GDP in constant prices (million pesos, base year 2018)</b>	<b>Actual GDP in US\$ (million)</b>	<b>Counterfactual GDP in US\$</b>
1988	6.8	4,813,453.58				
1989	6.2	5,112,143.35	6.2	5,112,143.35	42,575.18	42,575.18
1990	3.0	5,267,397.42	5.0	5,367,750.52	44,311.59	45,155.81
1991	-0.6	5,236,934.24	3.0	5,528,783.04	45,417.56	47,948.63
1992	0.3	5,254,614.29	3.0	5,694,646.53	52,976.34	57,412.69
1993	2.1	5,365,818.07	4.0	5,922,432.39	54,368.08	60,007.87

Source of basic data: *World Bank (2020)*.

# Nuclear Waste Management

## Borehole technologies



- PHL has technology to drill >2km deep boreholes (from geothermal industry)
- Place waste inside boreholes and plug with bentonite, which will prevent nuclides from reaching surface and groundwater
- Select an isolated island as borehole site which can adequately store ALL future waste SAFELY.

Nuclear waste: Achilles heel of nuclear has technological solution for PHL – deep boreholes



# Deep borehole disposal in an isolated island



# Challenges

- How to integrate nuclear harmoniously with coal, LNG and other energy players; new nuclear build MUST HAVE electricity buyers
- SMR ownerships should be shared with electric cooperatives to lower electricity costs
- Stakeholder concerns about locating new nuclear power plants “in their backyards”
- Mitigating regulatory and legislative challenges
- Rapid expansion of depleted nuclear human resource base

# THE CHALLENGES UNDER THE PRESENT POWER INDUSTRY LANDSCAPE

- EC Franchise are expiring
- Astronomical Cost of Power
- Frequent Power Outages



16/08/2022

July 2022 Residential Power Rates (according to MSEAC President)

1. [REDACTED] CO - P19.0072 (w/ VAT)
2. [REDACTED] - P13.0364 (VAT inclusive)
3. [REDACTED] - P14.9255 (inclusive of VAT)
4. [REDACTED] - P18.7778 (VAT included)
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# Nuclear Program Needs an Empowered

## **Nuclear Energy Program Implementing Organization**

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- Strong political will and leadership to forge nuclear program
- Sufficient nuclear contribution to lower electricity rates
- Needs teamwork between DFA and NEPIO in dealing with vendor countries and their regulations
- Nuclear law passage and amendment of laws (e.g. EPIRA) to allow nuclear into the energy mix
- Negotiations with countries to explore Malampaya extension to buy time for nuclear

# Availability of scholarships for PhD in nuclear science and engineering

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**'The prospects of Small Modular Reactors  
in Indonesia'**

***Geni Rina Sunaryo***

New Nuclear Watch Institute

Zoom Platform, Tuesday 29 November 2022, 09:00 - 10:30 UK time

# DR Geni Rina Sunaryo



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*University of Tokyo, Japan*

**1990** Master, Nuclear Engineering, Fac Engineering  
*University of Tokyo, Japan*

**1984** Bachelor, Akademi Kimia Analisis, Bogor

**2014 – 2020** Director, Center for Nuclear Reactor Safety & Technology, BATAN

**2020 – 2021** Principal Researcher, Center for Nuclear Reactor Technology and Safety, BATAN

**2021 – present** Principal Researcher, Research Center for Nuclear Reactor Technology, BRIN

## Content of Presentation:

1. Indonesian Energy Policy (ESDM)
2. RDE & PeLUITs Lesson Learned
3. Prospect of SMR in Indonesia as Cogeneration NPP  
Option Strategy for Developing Industry for Indonesia



# INDONESIA'S COMMITMENT TO REDUCE Carbon emission

## PRESIDENT'S DIRECTIVE



**UNFCCC - COP21, DECEMBER 2015**

Reducing GHG emission for 29% or 41% (by international assistance) by 2030 based on NDC.



**COP 26, 2 NOVEMBER 2021**

Indonesia will be able to **contribute faster to the global Net-Zero Emissions.**



**G20  
Presidency**

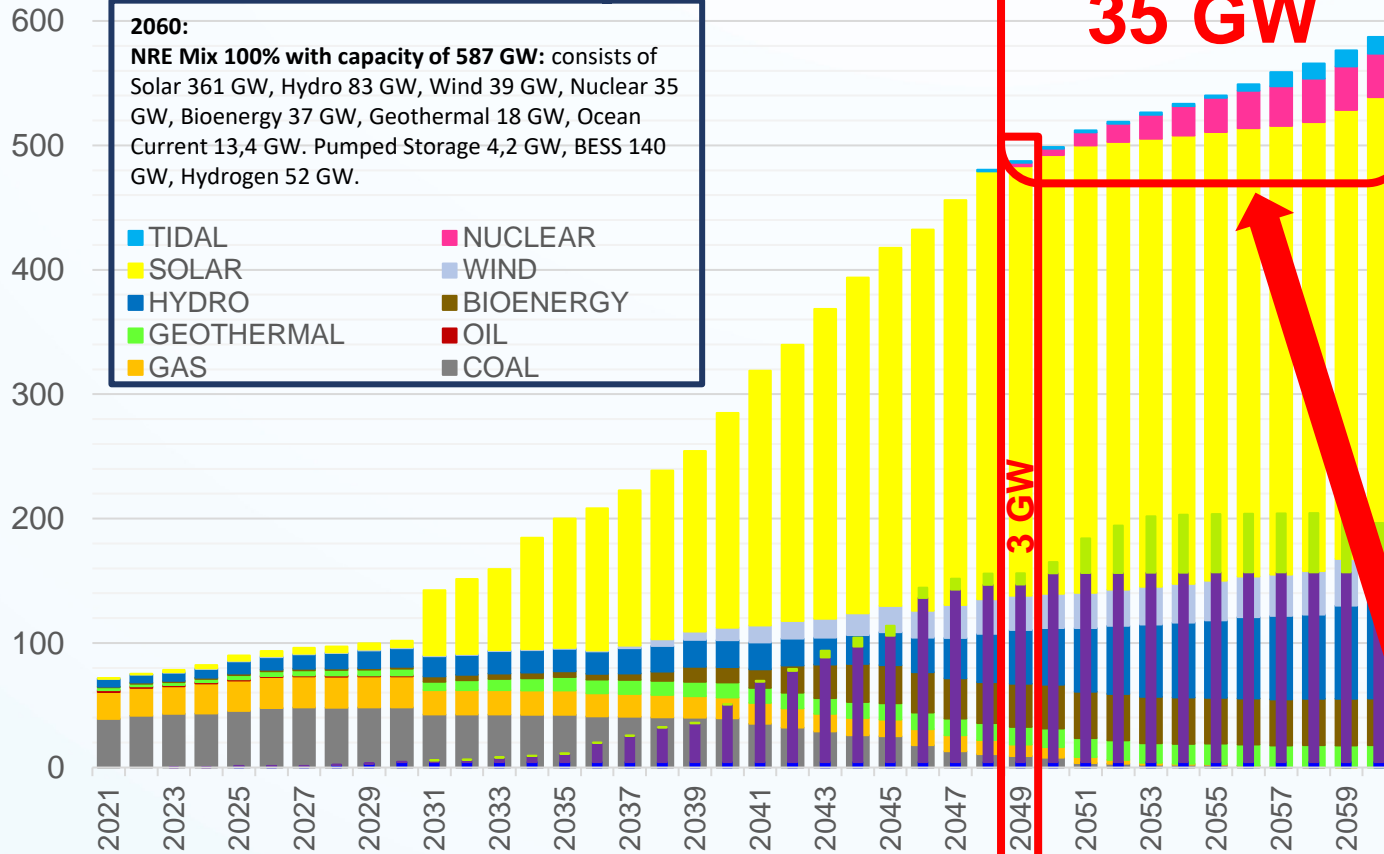
**“Recover Together,  
Recover Stronger”**

The focus of Indonesia's G20 Presidency lies on 3 main issues:

1. Inclusive Global Health,
2. Digital-Based Economic Transformation,
3. **Transition Towards Sustainable Energy.**

# ELECTRICITY SUPPLY PLAN

Kapasitas : Giga Watt



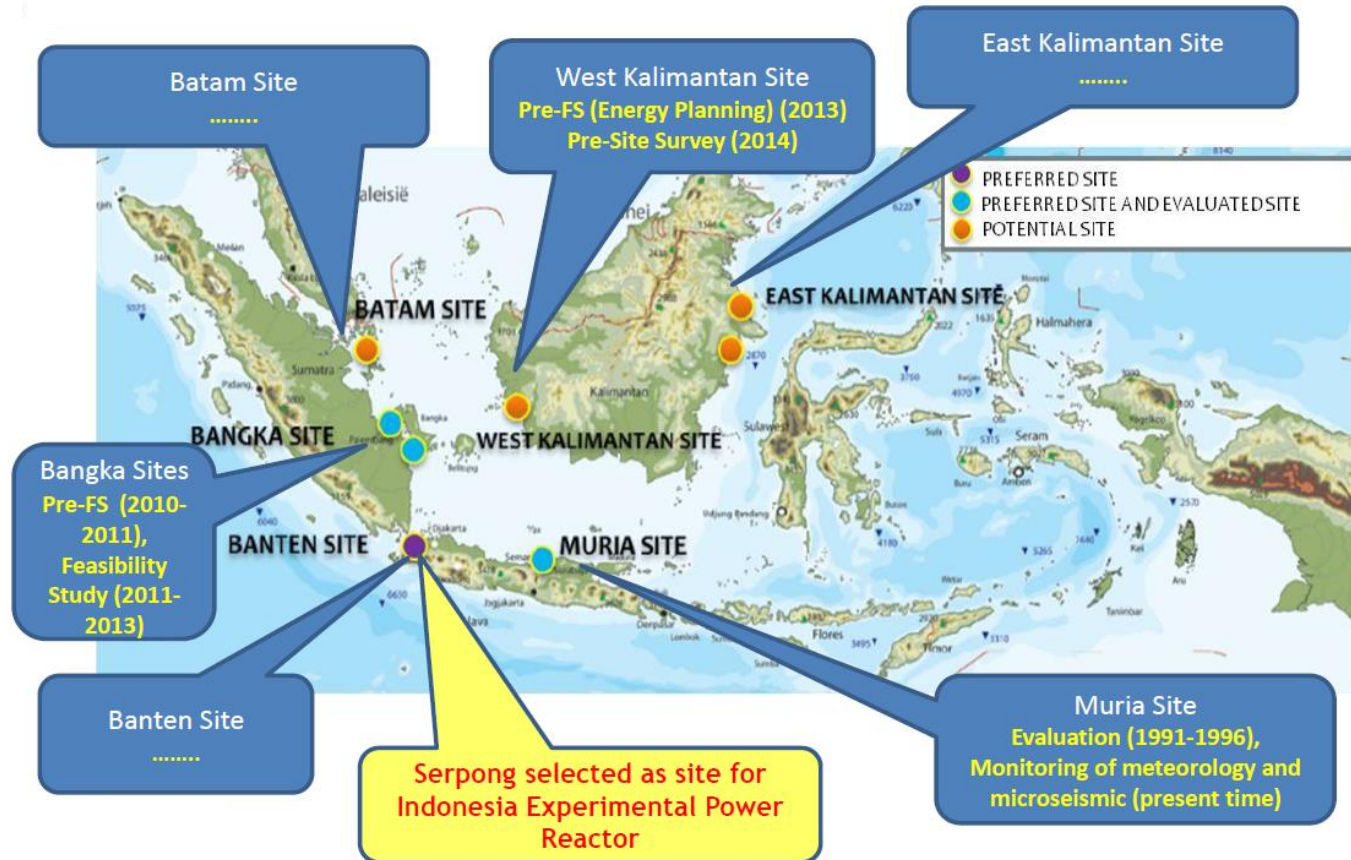
- Coal/Gas PP:** No additional CFPP unless contracted/under construction. PLN CFPP will be retired earlier than asset revaluation. IPP CFPP retired after PPA ends. Gas PP retired after 30 years (residual < 1 GW, CFPP: 2057, Gas PP: 2054)
- NRE:** Additional power plant after 2030 will only come from NRE. Starting from 2035, will be dominated by Variable Renewable Energy (VRE) in form of Solar PP, followed by Wind PP and Ocean Current PP in the following year.
- Geothermal PP:** Maximized up to 75% of potential.
- Hydro PP:** Will be maximized and sent to load center in other islands. Serves to balance VRE power plants.
- STORAGE:** Pumped storage start in 2025, Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) massively used in 2021. Hydrogen will be utilized gradually starting from 2031 and massively by 2051.
- Nuclear PP:** Online to the grid in 2049 to maintain system reliability and will reach 35 GW by 2060.



**High Electricity Demand Area  
Scale Up for High Electricity Generation**

**Low Electricity Demand Area  
SMR Development**

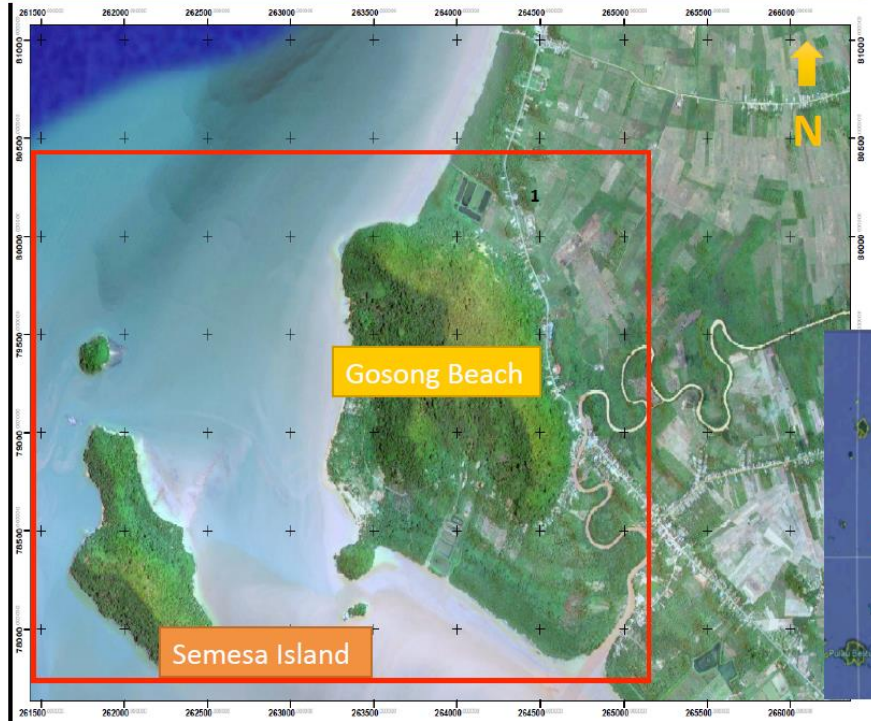
# Kegiatan FS & PRA-FS beberapa lokasi di Indonesia



# What SMR considered?

# Preliminary Site study in West Kalimantan

## Gosong Beach, West Kalimantan



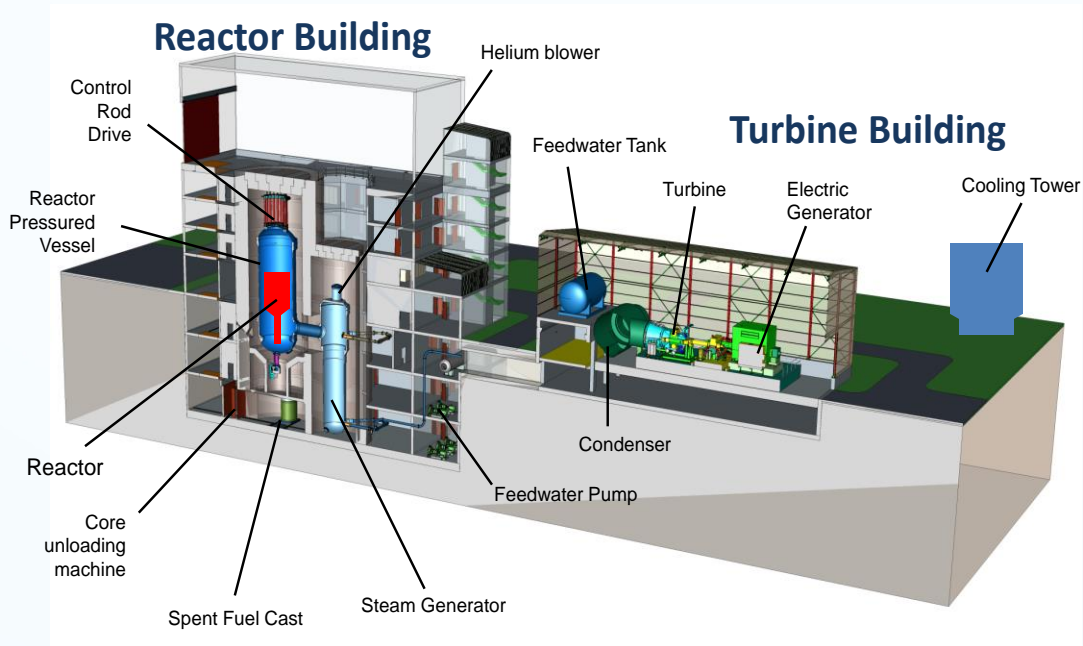
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# RDE 10 MWt

## Non-Dieselization?



## Former BATAN/BRIN's Role as R&D Institution

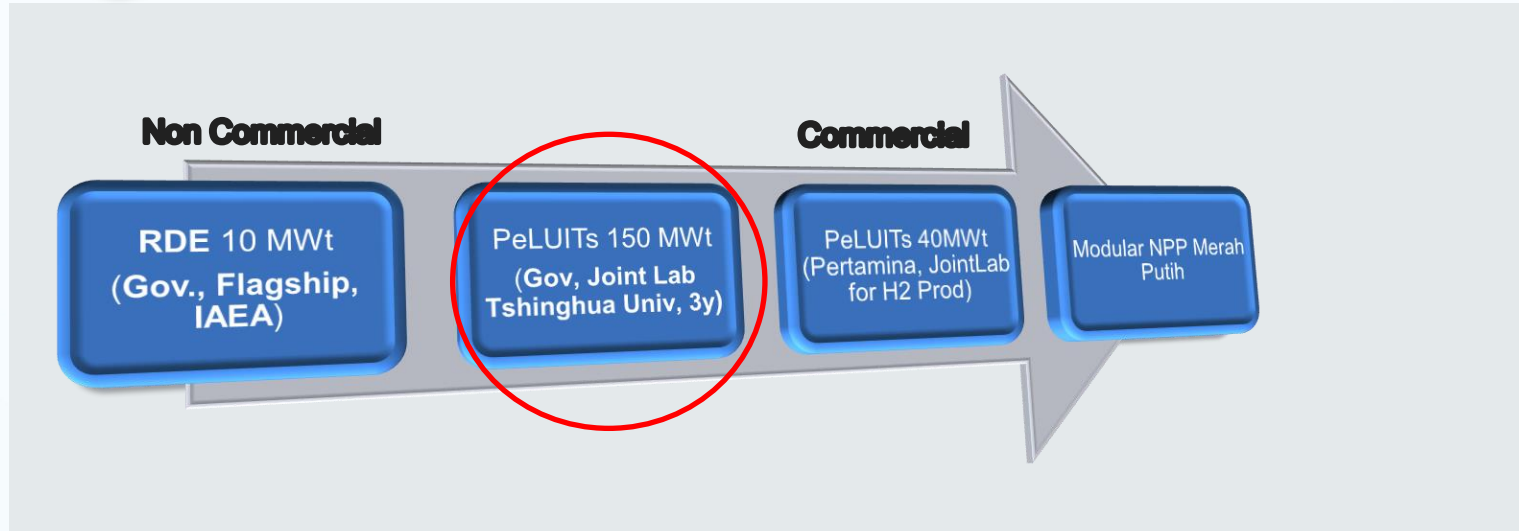
**Former  
BATAN/BRIN**

- 1. Build a strong Human Resources on Nuclear Energy**
- 2. Act as Technical Supporting Organization**
- 3. Nuclear Reactor Technology Co-developer**



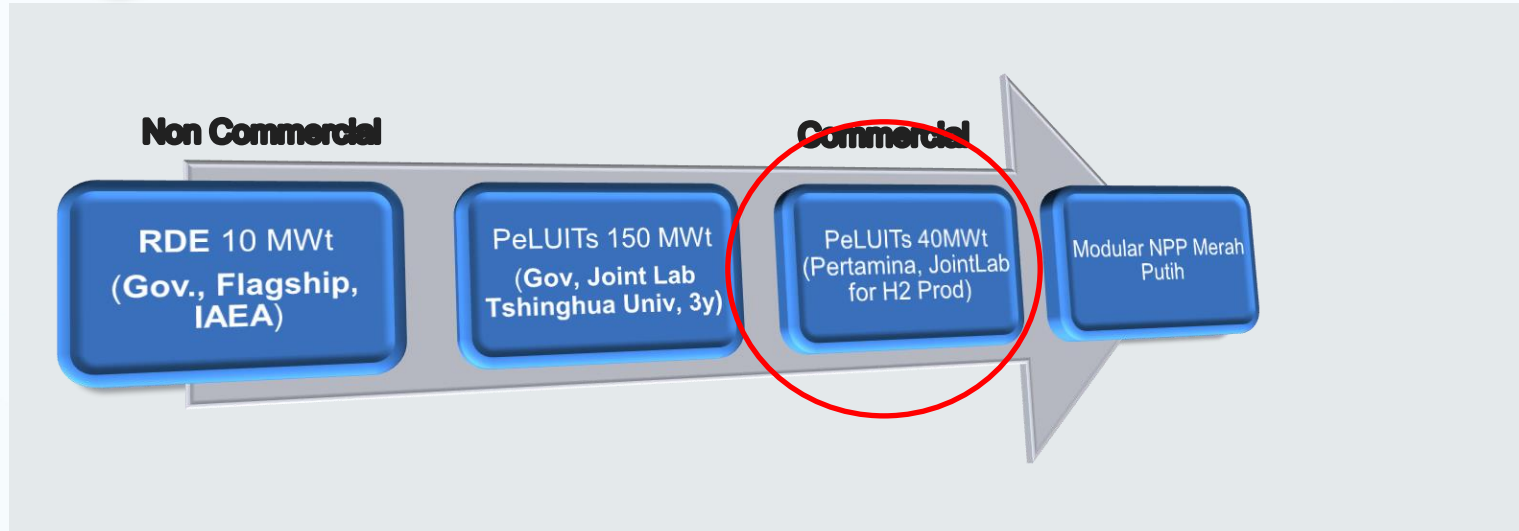


# Design development Strategy

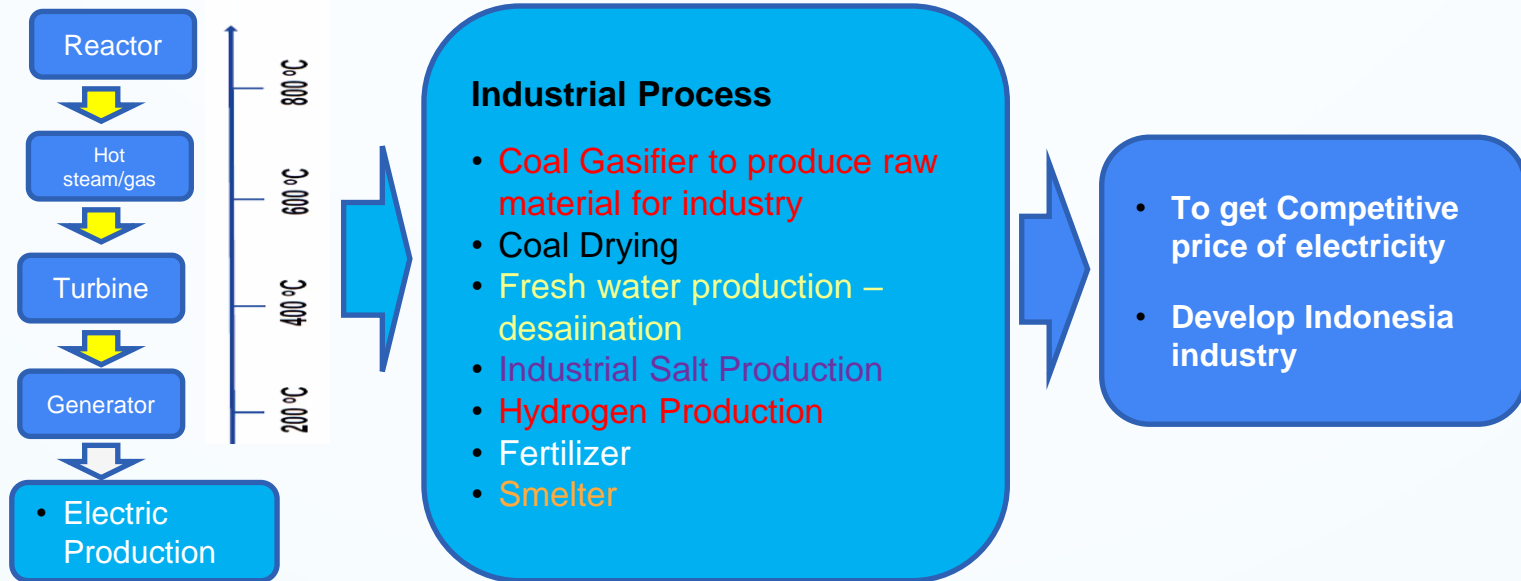




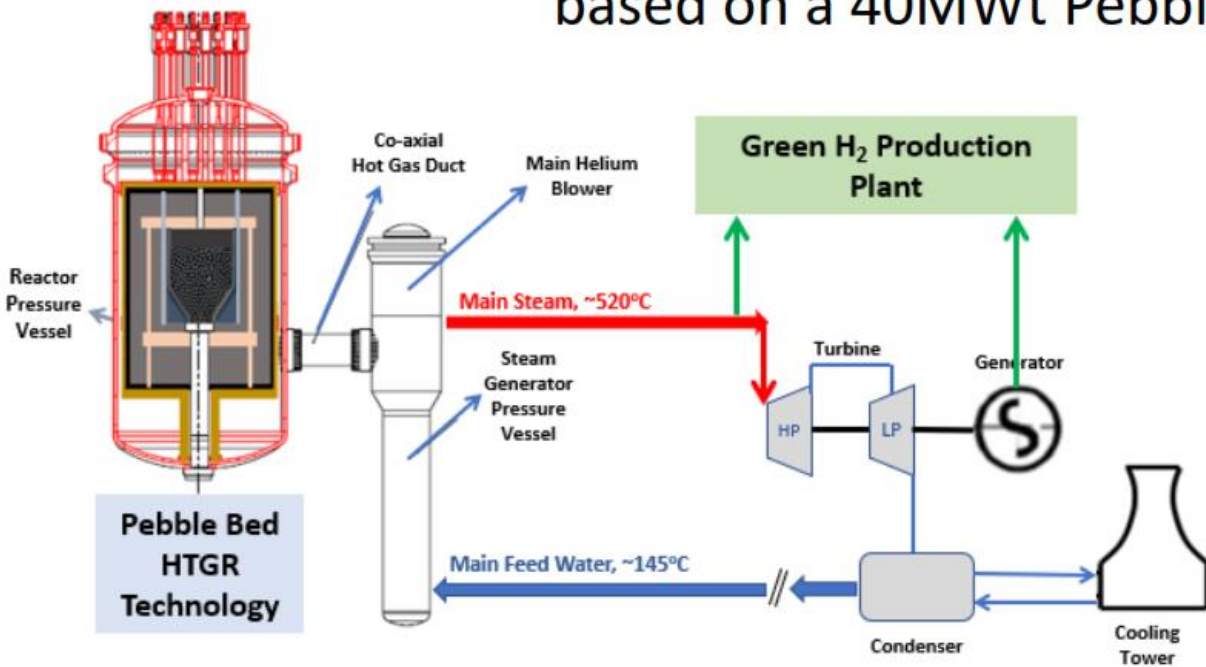
# Design development Strategy



# Co-generation Potential markets



## Develop a **Zero Emission Hydrogen Production System** based on a 40MWt Pebble Bed HTGR

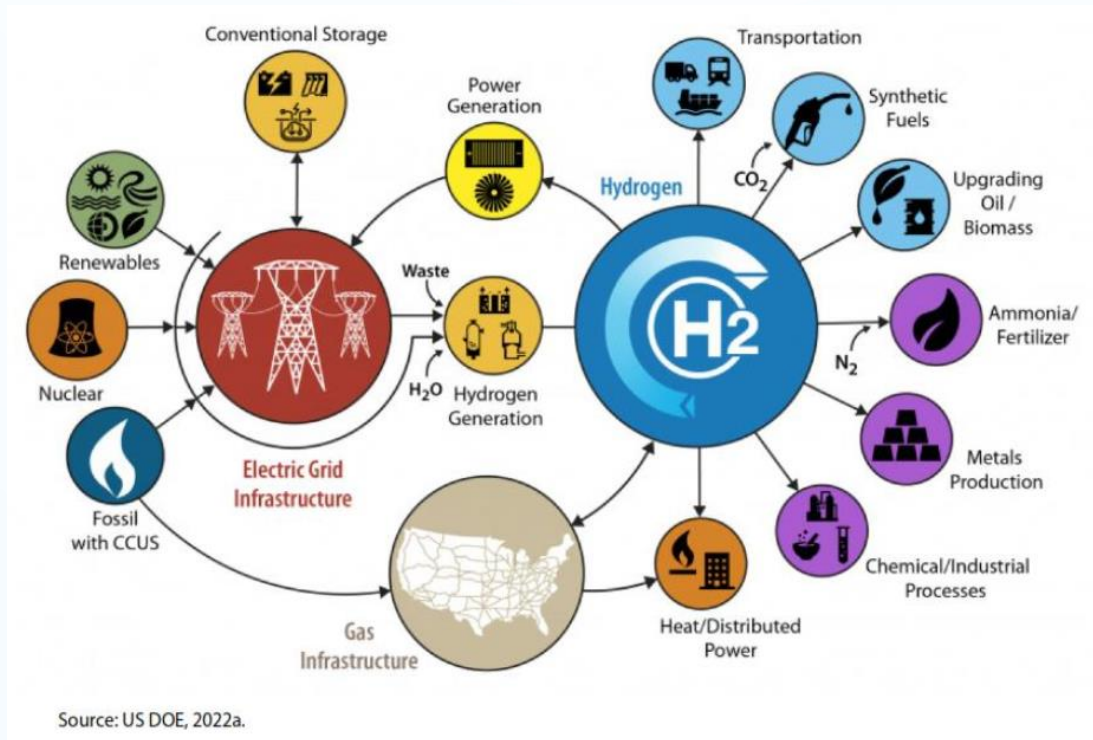


### System Performance Target:

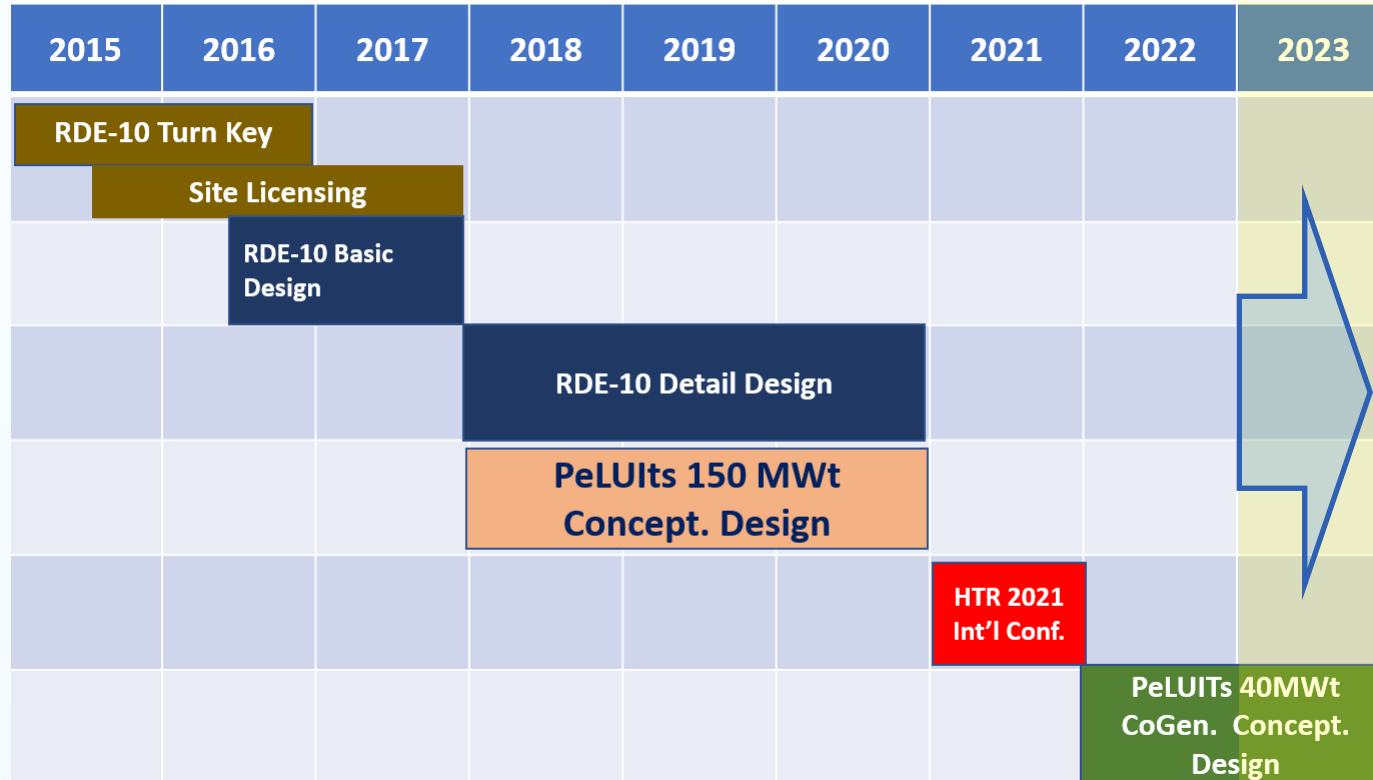
Produce a 2.72k tonnes/year  
ZeroEmission-H<sub>2</sub>  
with a cost below **5 USD/Kg.**

**You're Cordially  
invited to joint the  
collaboration.**

# Why H<sub>2</sub>?



## 2. HTGR Based, Design Activities





**High Electricity Demand Area  
Scale Up for High Electricity Generation**

**Low Electricity Demand Area  
SMR Development**



The world's first floating nuclear power plant Akademik Lomonosov

Floating Nuclear Power Plants (FNPP) Akademik Lomonosov with two small modular reactors (two KLT-40S reactors, with capacity 35 MWe each)

- Generating electricity and heat
- Commissioned in 2019 in Russia's northernmost town of Pevek
- The total capacity of the FNPP is up to 77 MW of electricity and 146 Gcal/h (300 MW) of heat
- With a displacement of 21,500 metric tons, 140 meters long and 30 meters wide.
- Its design life is 40 years; the repair interval is 12 years.





Rosatom First onshore SMR based on the same **RITM-200N** SMR will be deployed in 2028, in the northern Russian region of Yakutia.

- The plant will supply power to a gold mining facility at the Kyuchus gold deposit.
- The construction site has been selected, and the work is ongoing to design the plant.
- Two years of engineering surveys are coming to an end – application documents for the site license received a positive opinion from environmental experts, and erection of a construction camp began.
- Detailed design will be submitted for a site license by the year end.

## **RITM-200S** Rosatom's second floating nuclear power plant

- consisting of four floating units based on RITM-200S nuclear reactor is under construction.
- The power capacity of a two-reactor FPU will be 106 MWe.
- Same dimensions as Akademik Lomonosov for each unit. However, the turbine will be more powerful. Dedicated to generate electricity only.
- A smaller crew compartment since some of the functions will be relocated onshore.
- Another difference is absence of the refueling area – reactors will be refueled at Atomflot's naval base in Murmansk in a manner similar to nuclear icebreakers.
- Status : Orders for key components have already been placed with manufacturers.
- The first two FPUs are expected by the end of 2026 with the remaining two to be ready by mid-2031.
- RITM is a tried-and-tested, Rosatom flagship SMR technology, which is installed at three latest operating icebreakers. Small modular reactors from the RITM series are built on the back of 4 generations (equivalent to more than 400 reactor-years) of experience developing and operating icebreaker fleet reactors.
- It is being built for the Baimskaya ore zone in Russia, which is a mining project that has the world's largest deposits of copper and gold, which is going to be explored for 40 years.

Rosatom microreactor is called **SHELF-M**.

- It has an electrical capacity of up to 10 MW, a long refueling cycle of 8 years and design life of 60 years. Such reactors are fully factory built and installed on-site. They can be quickly shipped to and removed from site. They are so small that could be transported by a truck.
- The detailed technical design of the reactor systems and equipment for the first small nuclear power plant with SHELF-M reactor will be finalized by the end of 2024.
- The first plant is expected to be put in operation in 2030.

# CONCLUSION

- **RDE, PeLUITs 150 and 40MWt**, are the Indonesia SMR activities as BEST Lesson Learned on enhancing Capability of Human Resources - as a Techn Providers and TSO for NPP.
- Nuscale, Akademik Lomonosov, RITM-200N, RITM-200S, SHELF-M are most considered as SMR cogeneration - **INDUSTRIAL COGENERATION PLANT**, as a smart approaching strategy for developing Green industry in Indonesia – to achieve NZE at 2060.

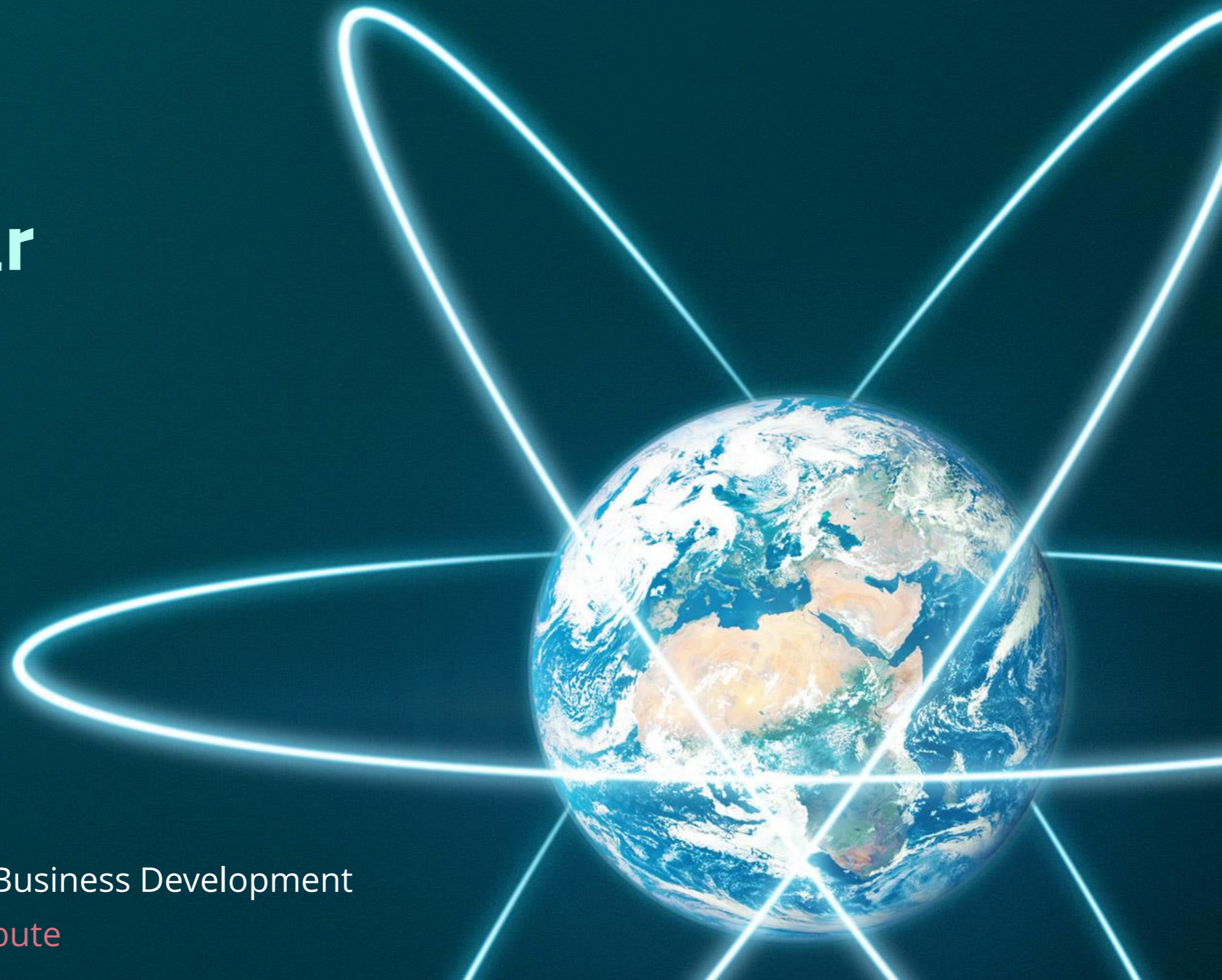


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**120+ employees**

25 nationalities

HQ in Copenhagen, Denmark

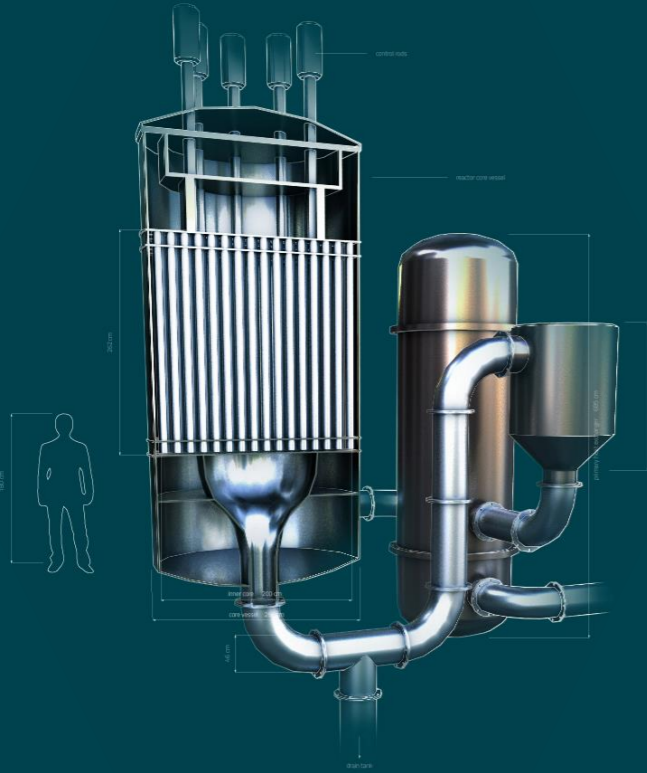
Business offices in South Korea & Singapore

**Partnerships** with shipyards, nuclear players and heavy industry

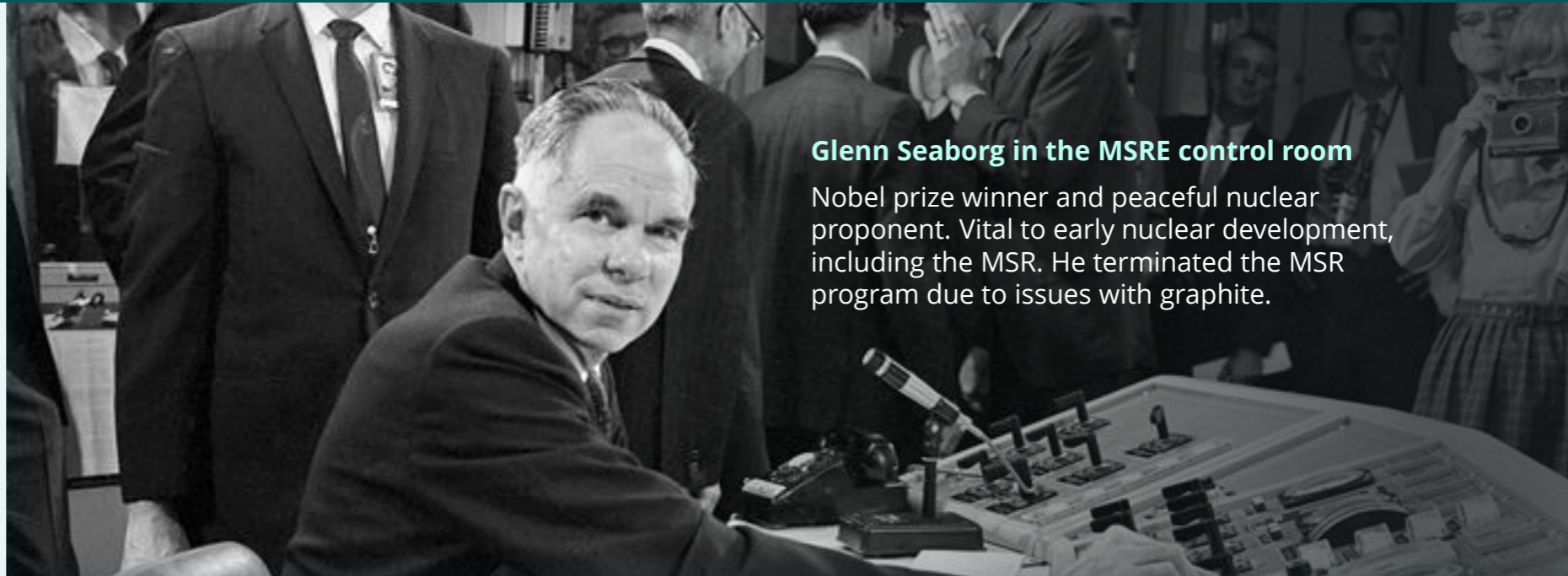
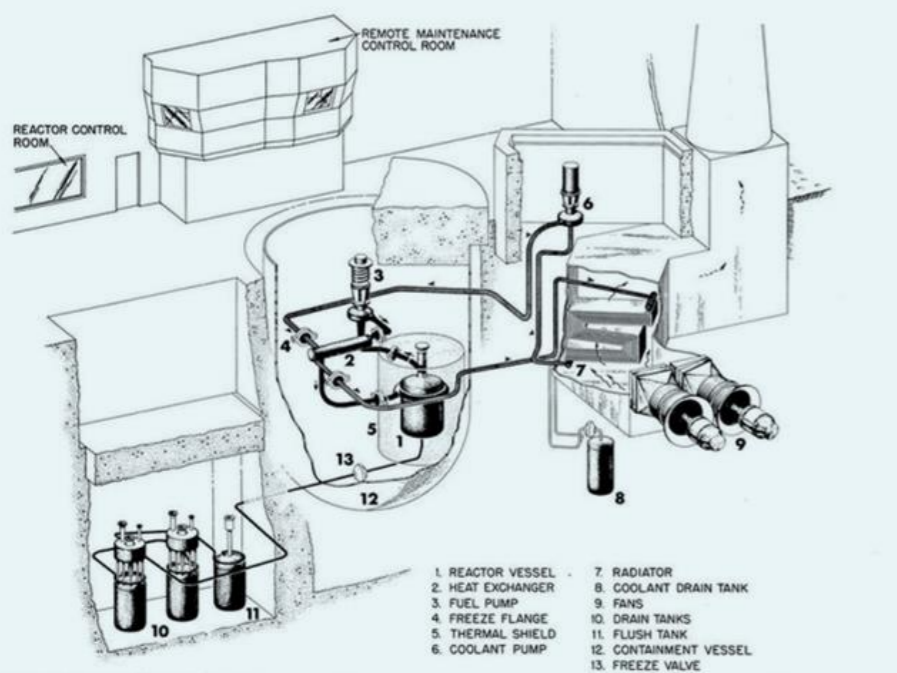
# Scalable next-generation nuclear on power barges

## Developing **The Compact Molten Salt Reactor**

- Small modular nuclear reactor
- Mass produced
- Deployed on barges
- 200-800 MWe Power Barges
- +88% Capacity Factor
- Inherent safety characteristics due to the properties of the salt



# Molten salt reactor technology is nothing new



## Glenn Seaborg in the MSRE control room

Nobel prize winner and peaceful nuclear proponent. Vital to early nuclear development, including the MSR. He terminated the MSR program due to issues with graphite.

## 1st MSR

Operated for a few weeks in 1954 at Oak Ridge National Lab, USA.

## 2nd MSR

Operated for a year and a half during 1965-1969 at Oak Ridge National Lab, USA.

## 3rd MSR

Operated 1970-1971, China (first ever Chinese nuclear reactor).

**But it was never commercialised...**



## A new solution to an old problem

**MSRs were never commercialized.**

**Graphite** was used as a moderator.



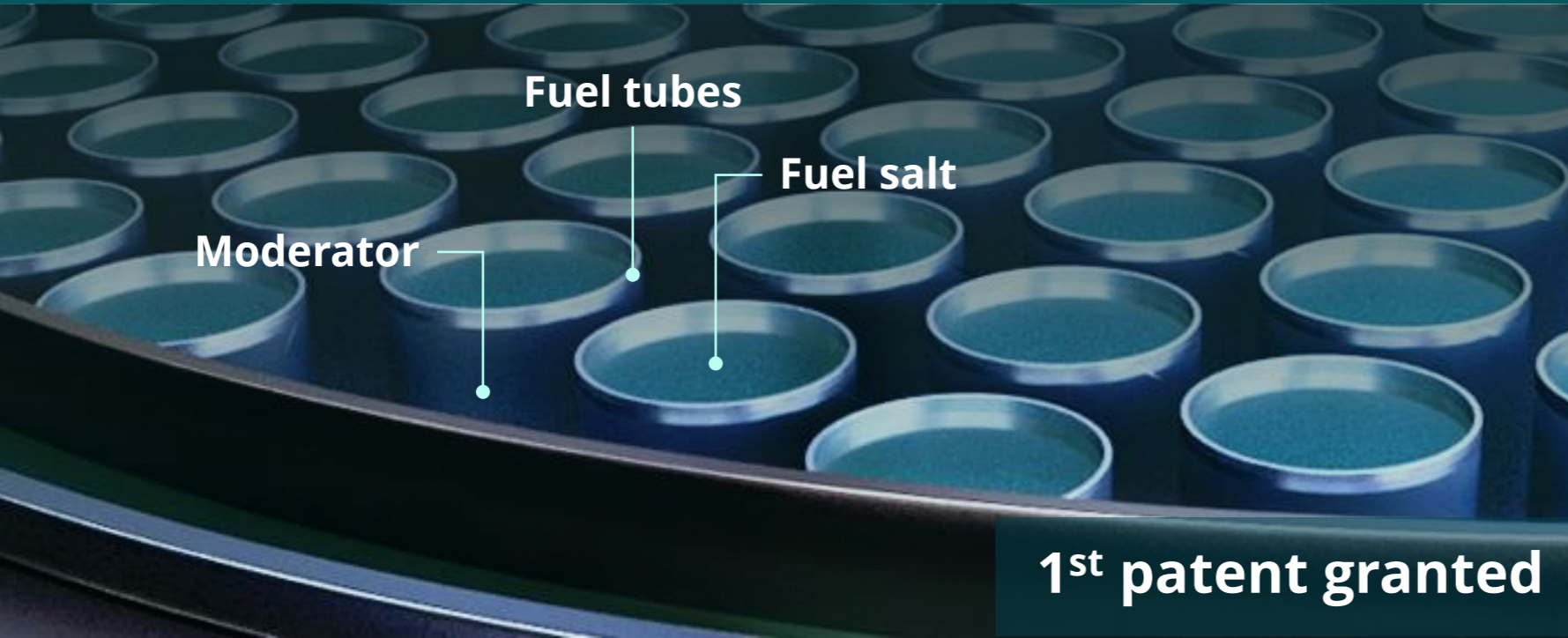
Encountered graphite **cracking** under irradiation.

Seaborg's **proprietary moderator** avoids the use of graphite and gives us a **unique** compactness in the design.



# The Seaborg Solution

Liquid moderator



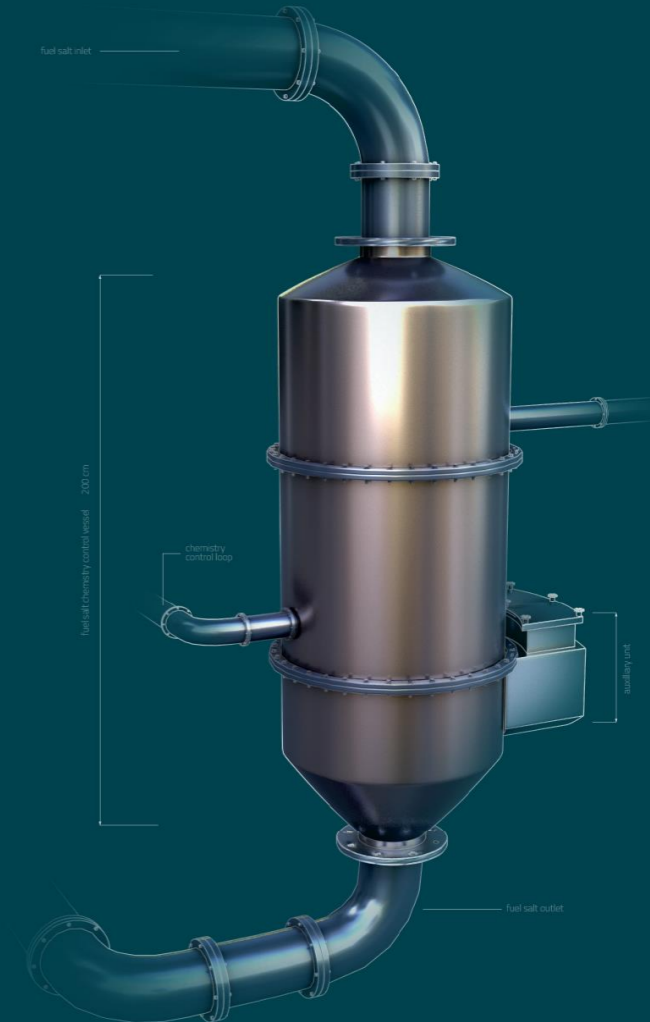
**NaOH**

(sodium hydroxide)

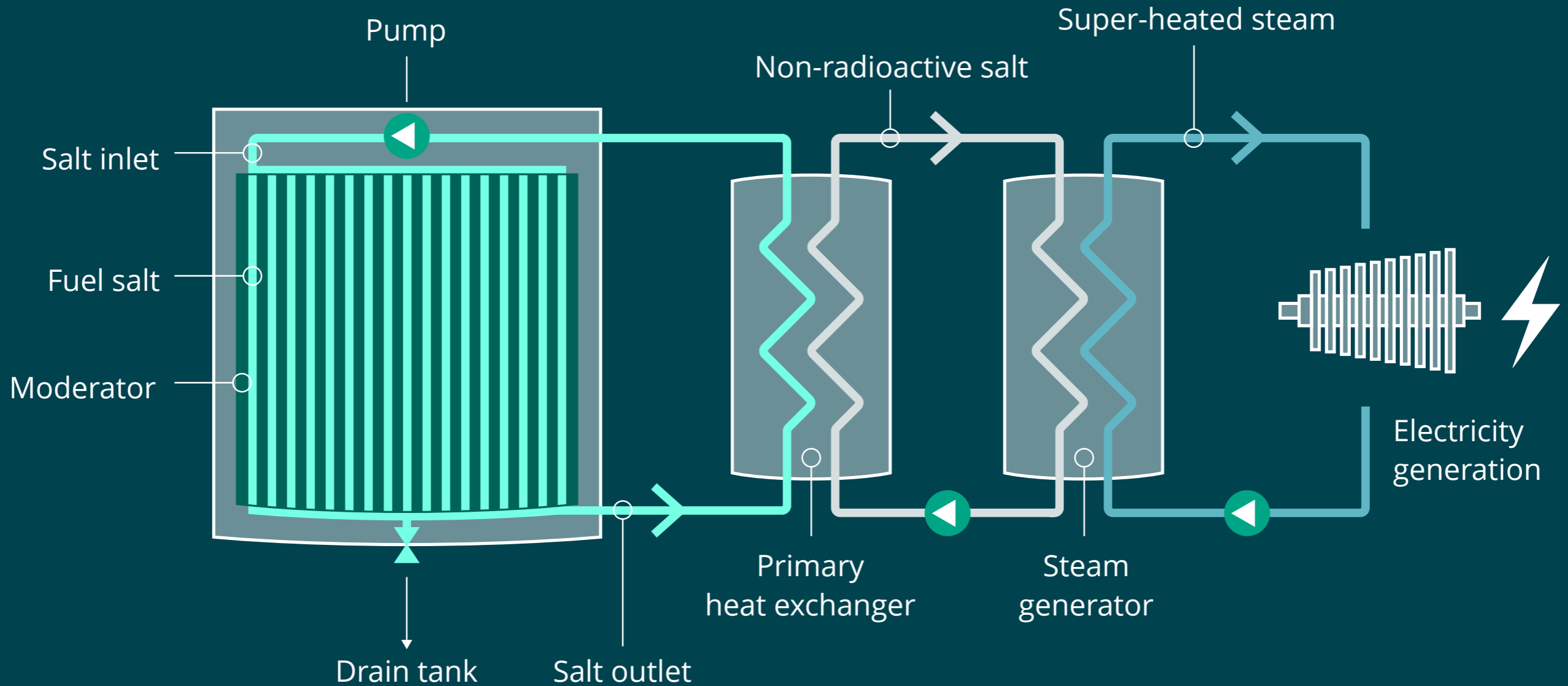
Applied in:



## Chemistry control unit



# The Compact Molten Salt Reactor

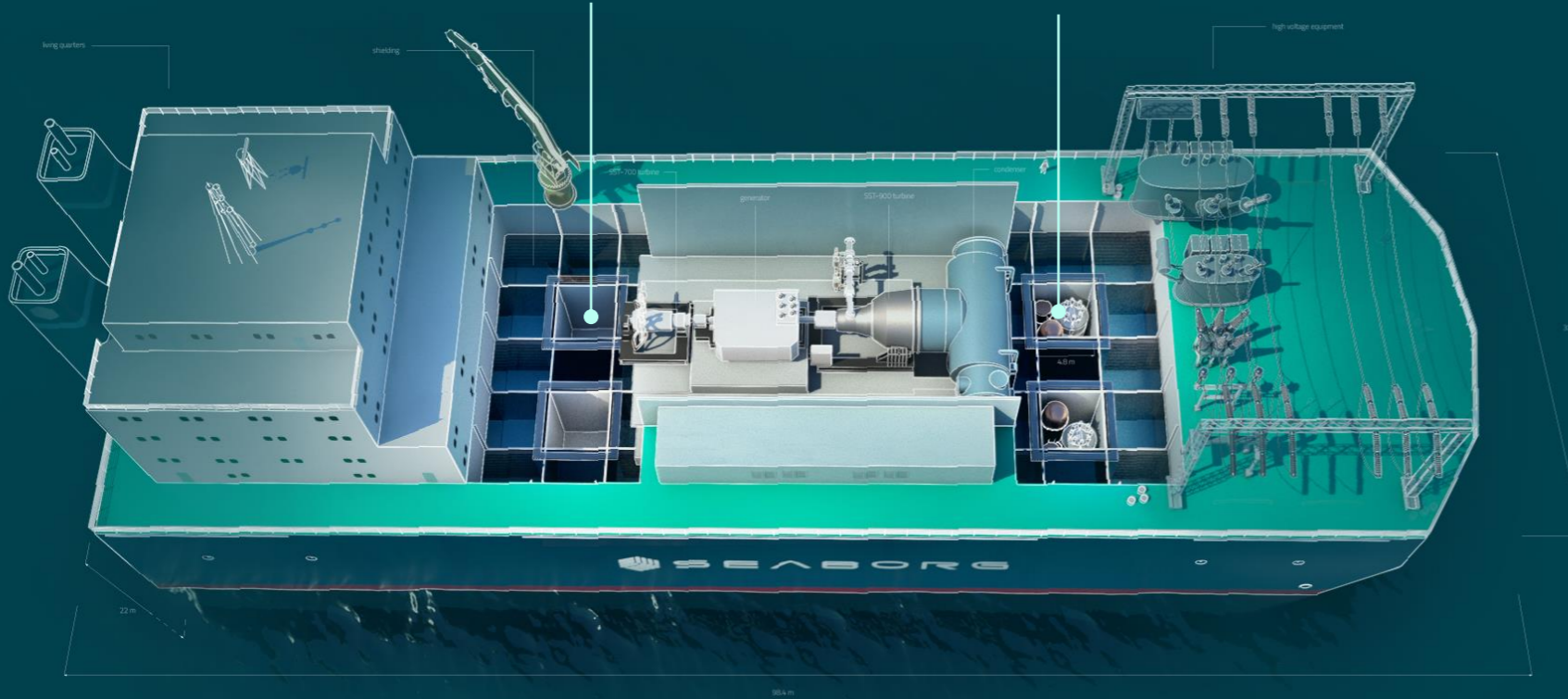


# Inside the Power Barge

24 years operational life time

Two empty CMSR compartments for the **second 12-year fuel cycle**

Two CMSRs for the **first 12-year fuel cycle**



Accommodation  
Control centre

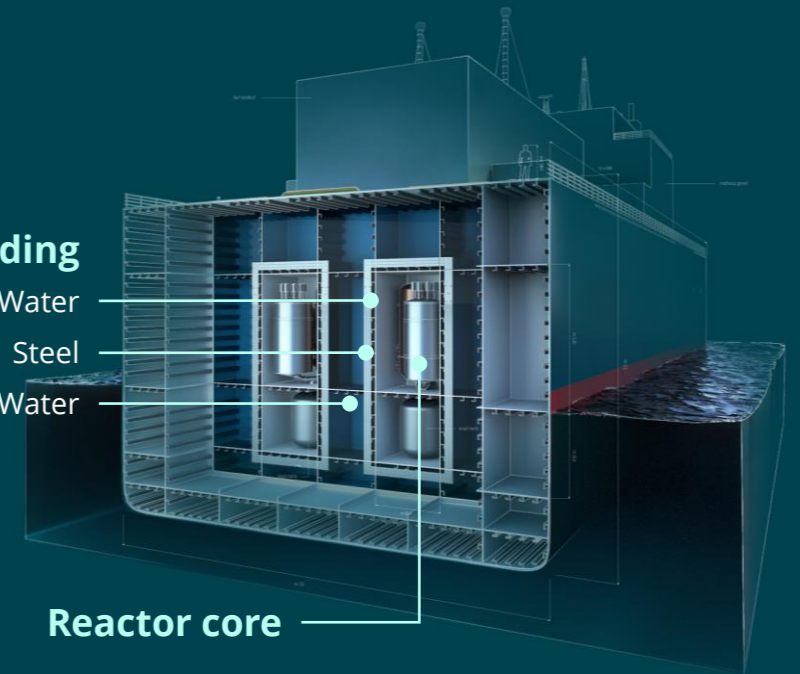
**Power module  
200 MWe**

HV substation

**Shielding**

Water  
Steel  
Water

**Reactor core**



# Delivering Energy

Centralised construction, worldwide distribution

## South Korea

Built and commissioned at Samsung shipyard



### Power Barge

Standardized modular production



### CMSR

2/4/6/8 CMSRs x 100 MWe each

## The world

Flexible deployment worldwide

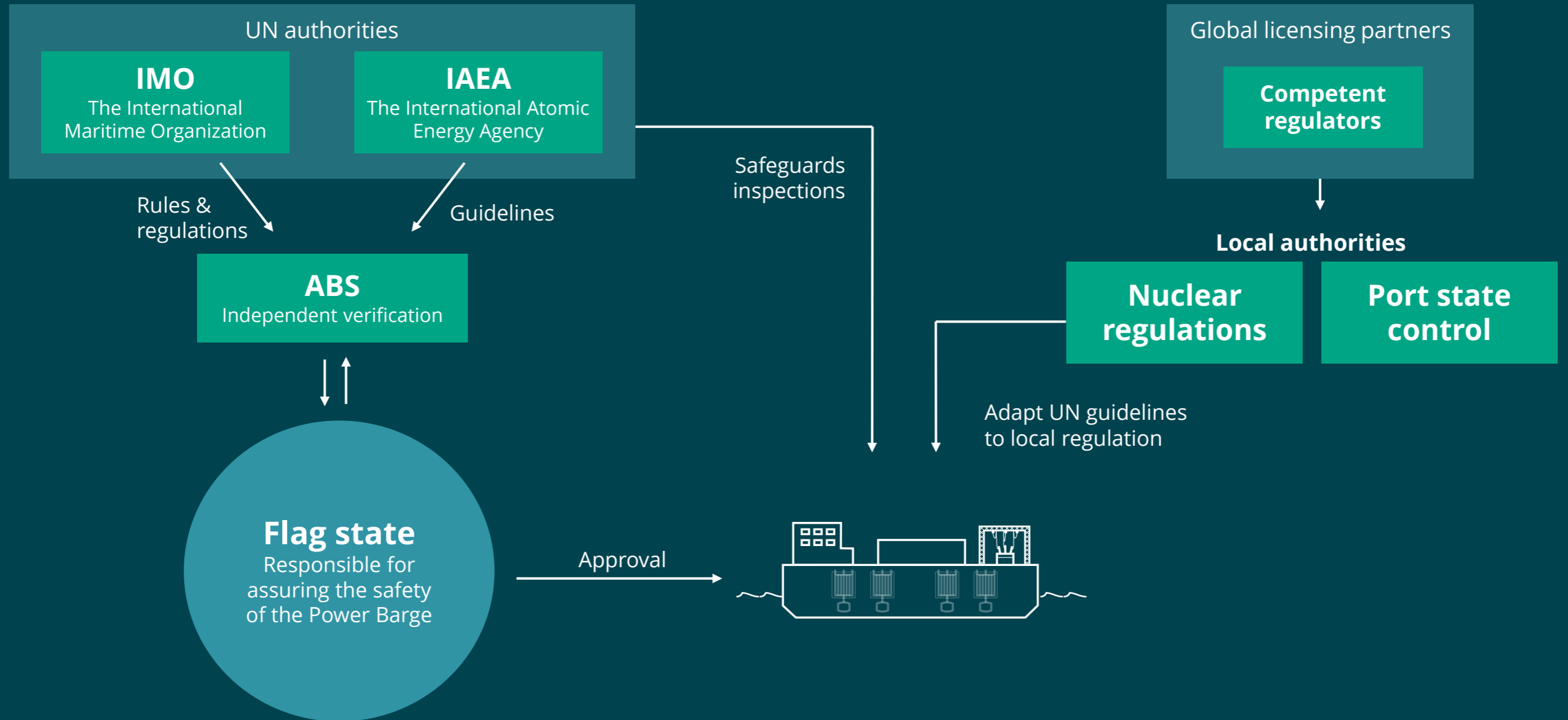


Tow to site of fully **tested** and **commissioned** Power Barge



24 year operational life cycle

# Maritime licensing approach





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**Thank you**

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