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# SMR Deployment in the Context of European Energy Transition

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A glowing Earth globe is positioned on the right side of the frame, set against a background of a sunset or sunrise over a body of water. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright, warm glow that transitions into a deep blue sky. The globe shows the continents and oceans, with a bright light source behind it, creating a lens flare effect.

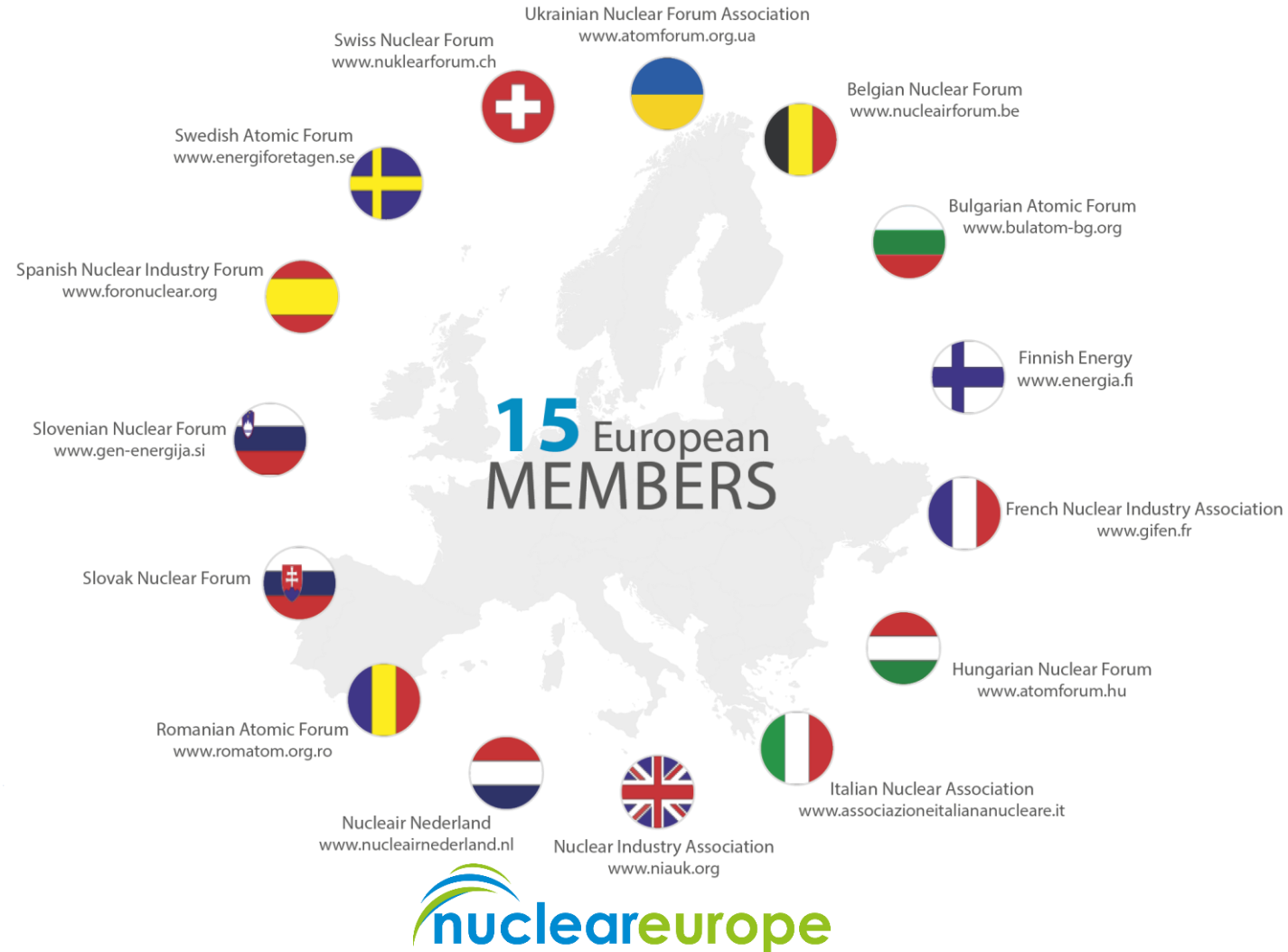
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# Membership

nucleareurope represents national nuclear associations



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# What does nuclear contribute to the EU's economy?

**100**  
Nuclear reactors in  
operation in the EU



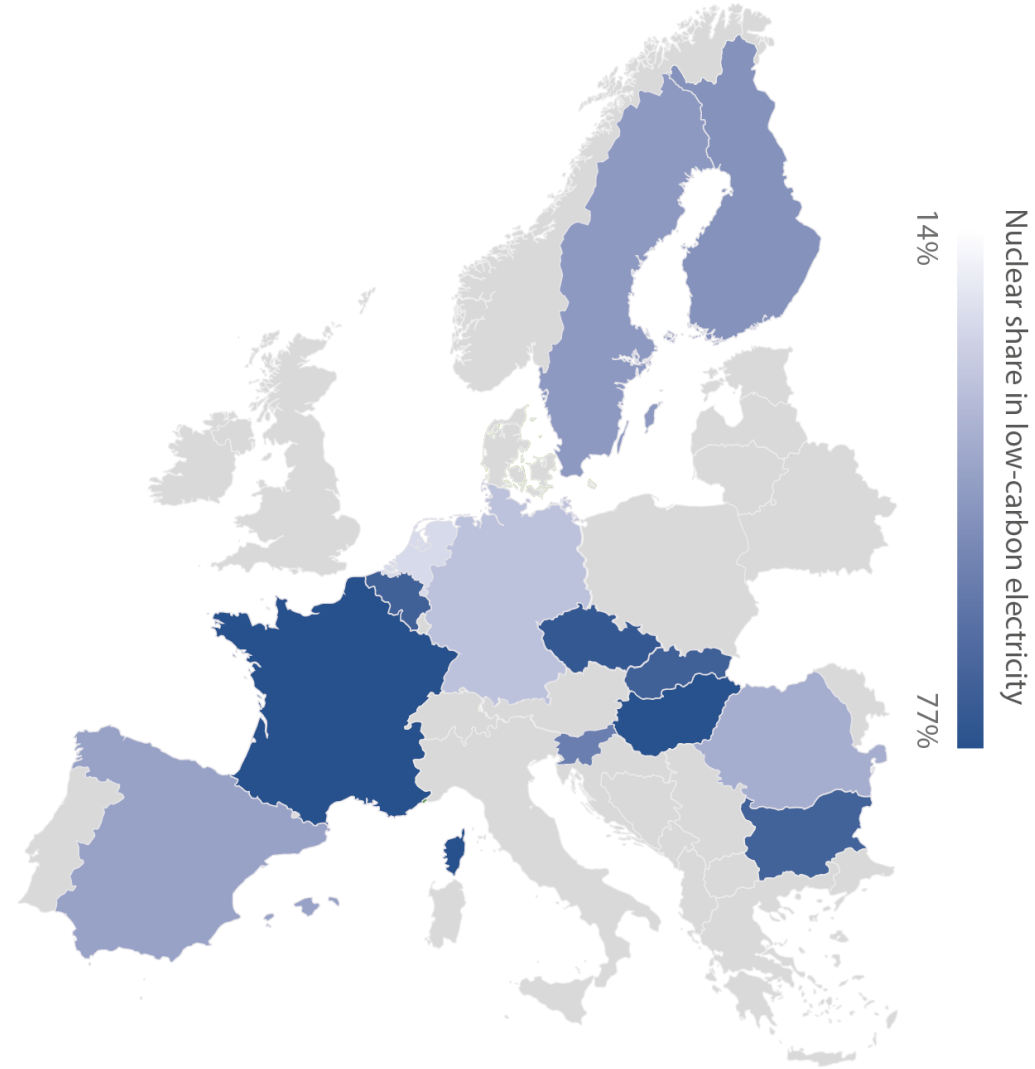
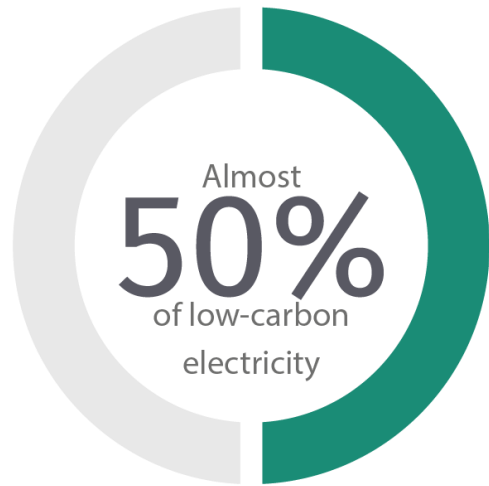
**1** million jobs

**€ 100**  
billion/year



**25%**  
of the electricity production

# Nuclear energy in the EU

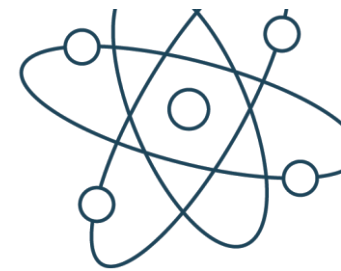


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# European Industrial Alliance on **SMALL MODULAR REACTORS**

**General Presentation (short)**



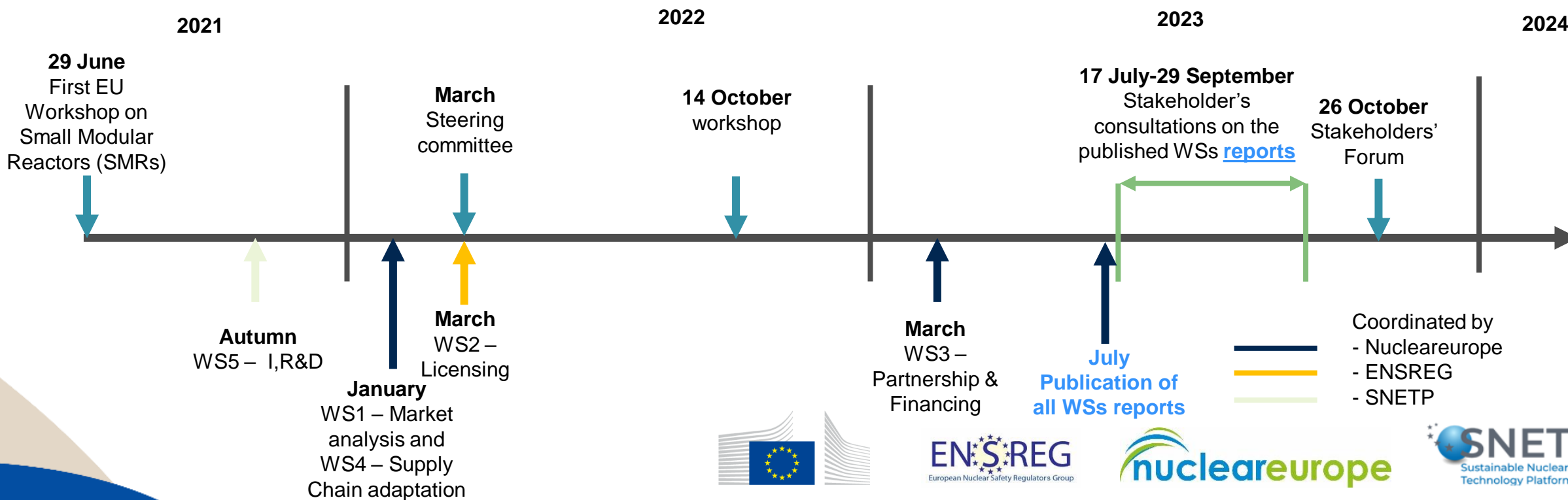
# European SMR pre-Partnership



## General objectives

- **Identify enabling conditions and constraints, including financial ones,** towards safe design, construction and operation of SMRs in Europe in the next decade and beyond in compliance with the EU legislative framework in general and to the Euratom legislative framework in particular.

## Timeline



# Outcome of the pre-Partnership European Industrial Alliance on SMRs: what for?



Accelerate SMRs' deployment (incl. for and with intensive end-users)



Ensure collaboration on SMR licensing across regulators



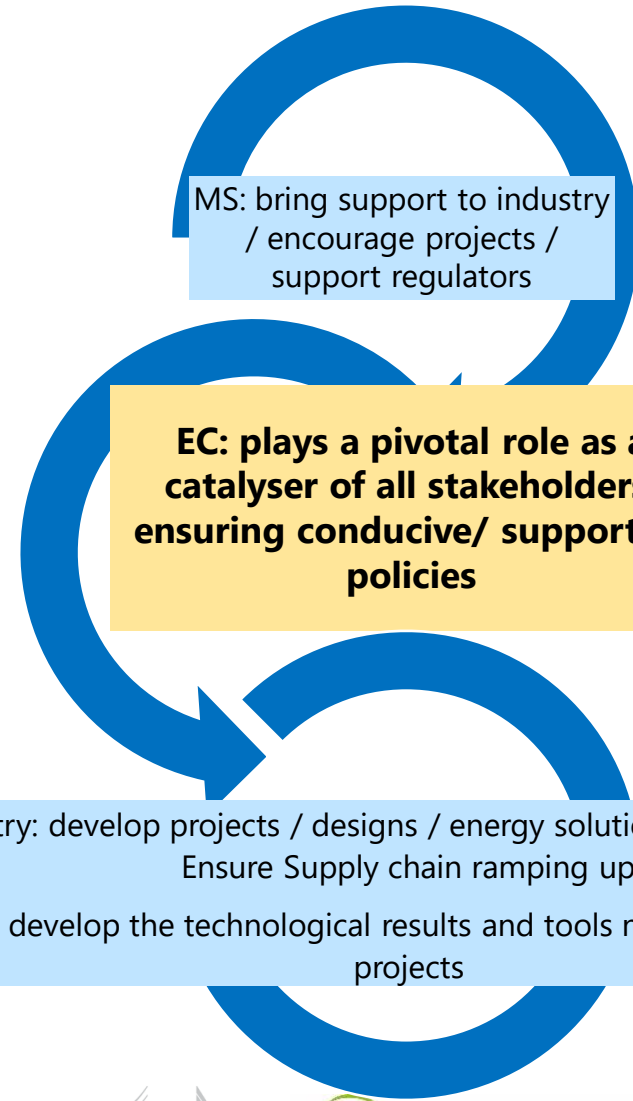
Bring together all stakeholders with a conducive framework @EU & national level



Ensure EU supply chain readiness (skills, capability & capacity)



Ensure R&D development and cooperation and prepare for the future with innovation



MS: bring support to industry / encourage projects / support regulators

**EC: plays a pivotal role as a catalyser of all stakeholders, ensuring conducive/ supportive policies**

Industry: develop projects / designs / energy solutions for end-users / Ensure Supply chain ramping up  
R&D: develop the technological results and tools necessary for these projects





## Industrial Alliance Main Objective

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The main objective of the European Industrial Alliance on SMRs **is to facilitate and accelerate the development, demonstration, and deployment of the first SMRs projects in Europe in the early 2030s**, by assisting emerging SMRs projects to reach the demonstration and deployment phase.



## Working Methods

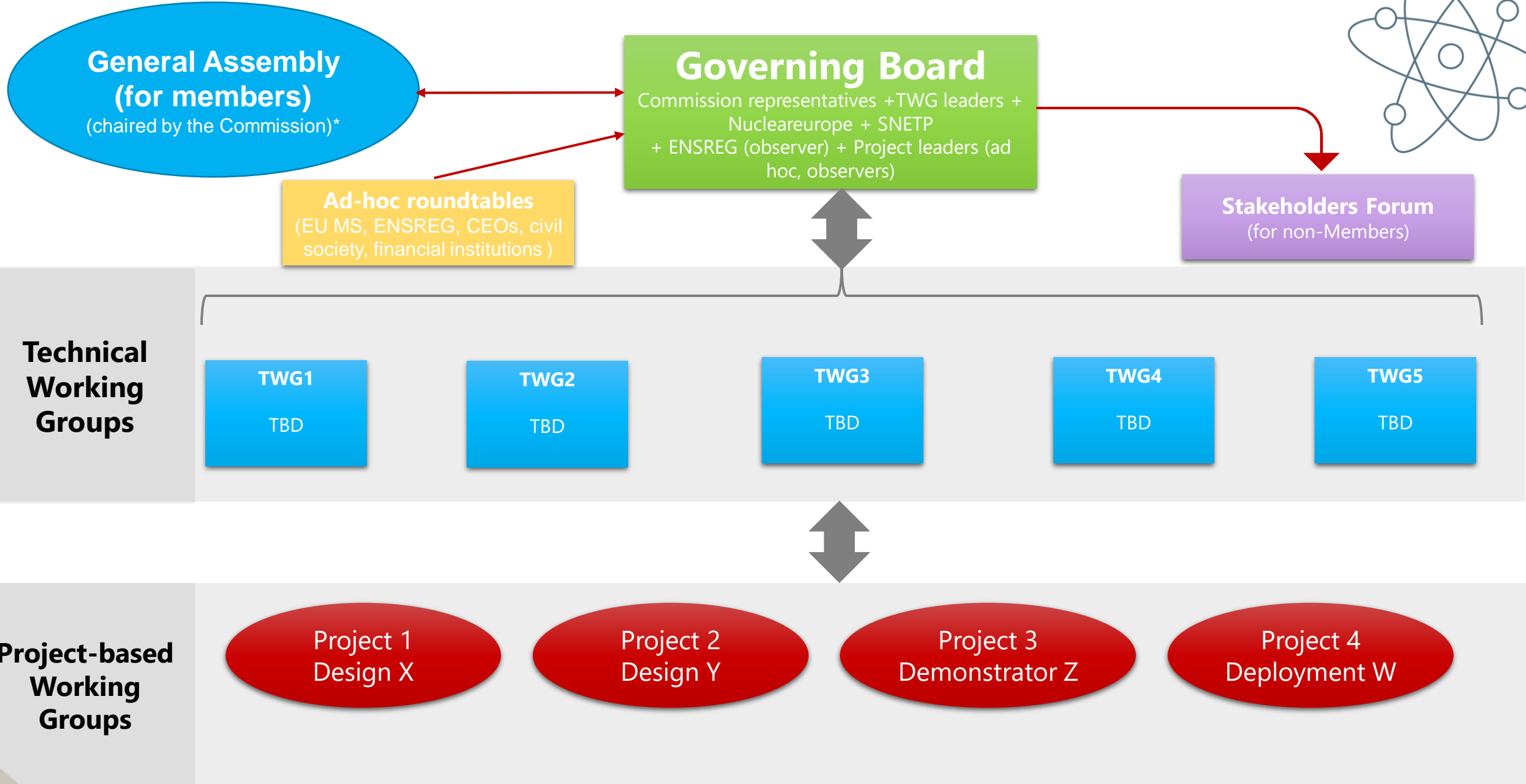
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The Alliance will **provide a framework for coordinating activities, preparing analytical studies, sharing best practices and developing and conducting joint actions aimed at fostering the deployment of SMRs in Europe.**

It will promote **collaborative actions between SMR project promoters**, public and private entities and associations, Member States, regions, social partners, regulators, research and technology organisations, education and training institutions, investors, civil society and NGOs.





\*: The three Commissioners for Energy, for Internal Market, and for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth will co-chair the General Assembly meetings.



# European Industrial Alliance structure



## Technical Working Groups

- Groups for policy reflection and action in important aspects for which further work is needed (project development, project finance, supply chain, financing, safety research, public engagement, waste management, etc.) or not yet touched upon.
- Will be nourished by projects' feedback experience and will disseminate best practices across projects
- Will directly interact with EU & National decision-makers.

## Project-based Working Groups

- Will be assisted under the SMR Alliance
- Will gather interested stakeholders through specific agreements.
- Depending on project nature & objectives, they could fall under different categories (IPCEIs, PPP, SRIA, etc,)
- Will run under strict commercial protection / non-disclosure agreements

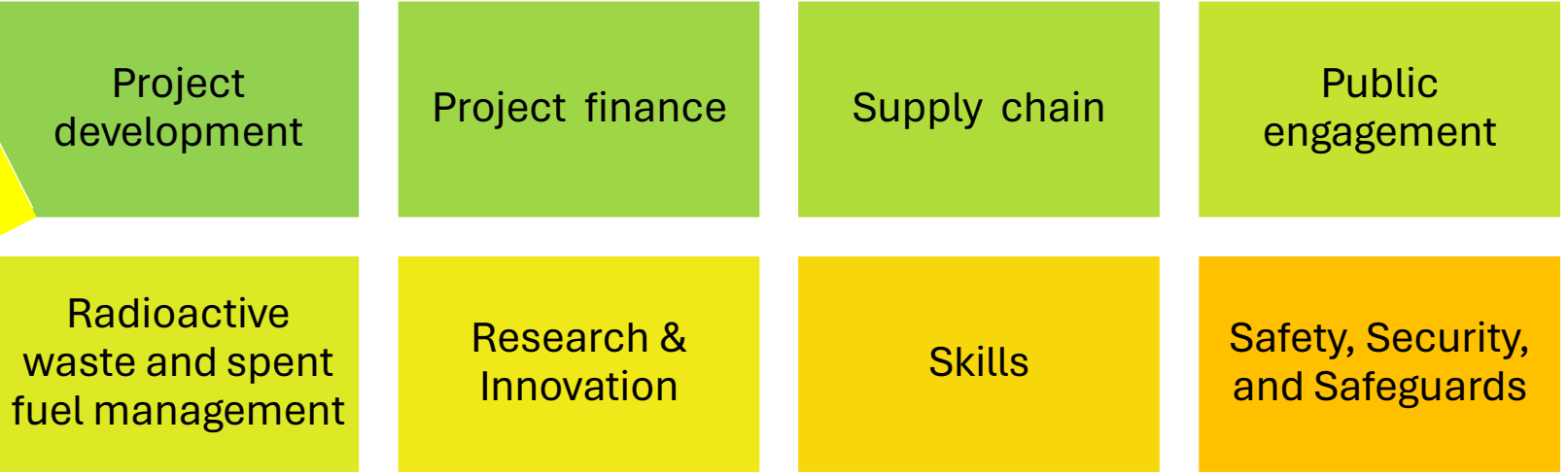




# Working Methods – Technical Working Groups



**INDICATIVE LIST**



- Technical Working Groups assigned tasks by the Governing Board.
- Stakeholder collaboration: developers, vendors, utilities, research institutes, financial institutions, supply chain representatives, training centres, and civil society.
- European Commission could provide technical support, including research on safety, security and safeguards for SMRs.
- Working Groups may meet multiple times a year.
- Administrative support provided by an entity designated by the industry in agreement with the European Commission.



# Tasks



The Alliance will elaborate a **Strategic Action Plan by Q1 2025** to deliver on the following tasks:

**Task 1:** The Alliance will **facilitate interactions** between vendors, project developers, suppliers, financial institutions, and investors **to explore investment possibilities and develop new cost-sharing financial models.**

**Task 2:** The Alliance will develop by **Q4 2024 technology roadmaps**

**Task 3:** The Alliance will promote **connections with potential end-users**

**Task 4:** The Alliance will **map and regularly assess the performance and completeness of the European supply chain**

**Task 5:** The Alliance will **map the availability of financial support, attract private investment, and facilitate the dialogue and matchmaking between producers and investors**



# Tasks



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**Task 6:** The Alliance will **identify and prioritise future needs for research, innovation, qualification, demonstration, and skills development** in cooperation with the SNETP to be addressed in the next European (including Euratom) and national R&D&I programmes

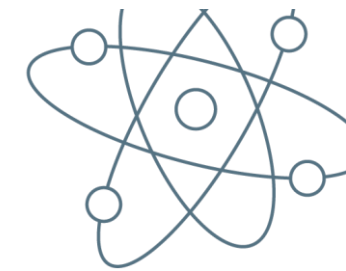
**Task 7:** The Alliance will **explore the skills and training needs for the SMR value-chain and suggest solutions to strengthen education, training, and skills development for a competent workforce.**

**Task 8:** The Alliance will **strengthen exchanges and contacts of project promoters with the European Nuclear Safety Regulators Group (ENSREG) and national regulatory authorities**

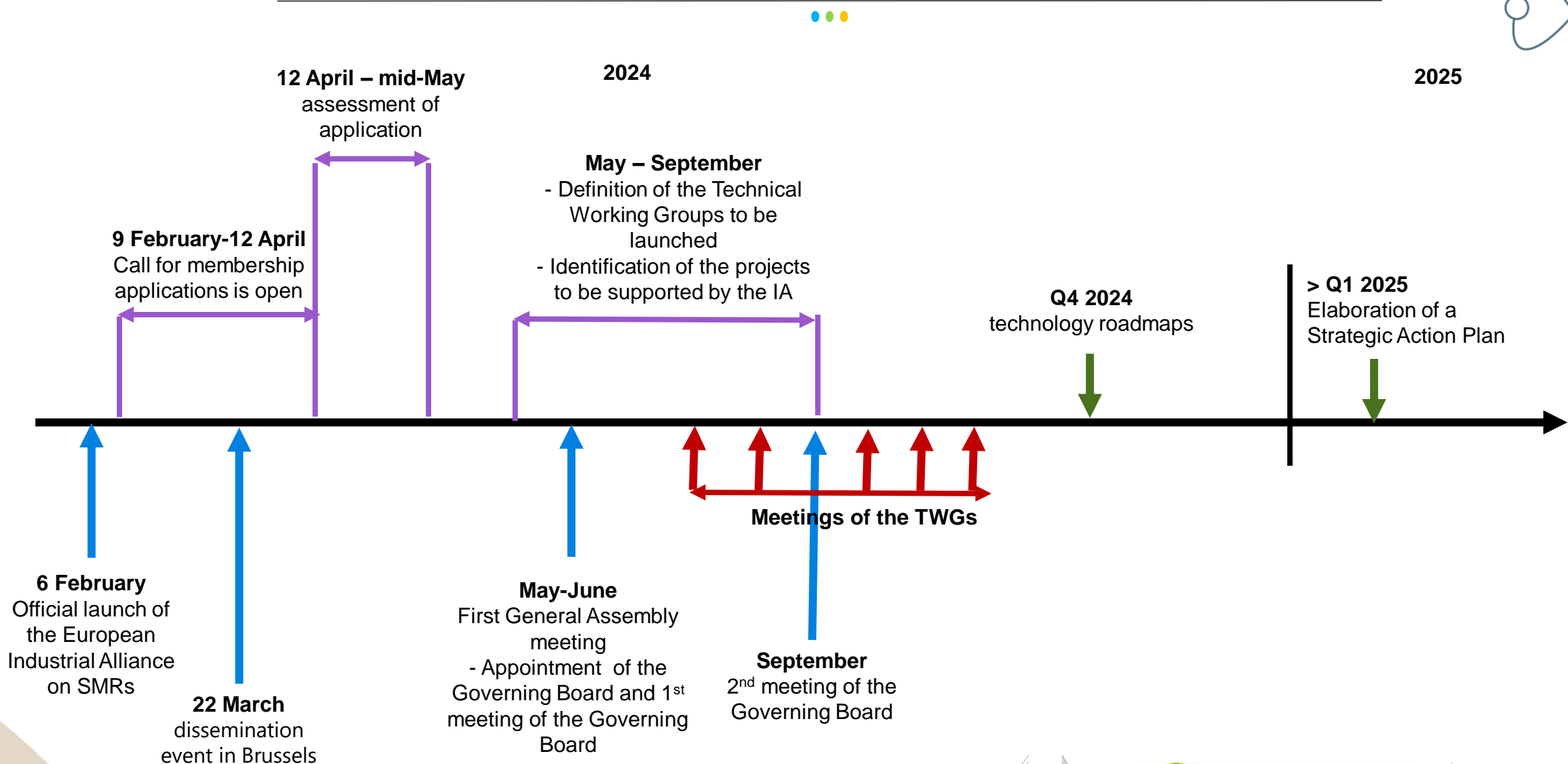
**Task 9:** The Alliance will facilitate cooperation between stakeholders, regarding standardisation issues related to design variability, supply chain availability, standardised quality control methods, verification and validation, thus facilitating the circulation of goods amongst Member States.

**Task 10:** The Alliance will also **engage in a dialogue with social partners, stakeholders, civil society organisations, NGOs** and citizens about SMRs and the costs risks and benefits of their deployment





# Indicative timeline





# Applications for Alliance membership

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- Call for membership applications is open 9 February – 12 April
- Necessary steps for application
  1. Read the [Declaration](#) and the [Terms of Reference](#) of the Alliance.
  2. Fill in this [application form](#) online and submit it.
  3. Have the [Declaration](#) of the Alliance signed (including the Annexes) by an authorised representative and send it to [grow-EU-SMRS-ALLIANCE@ec.europa.eu](mailto:grow-EU-SMRS-ALLIANCE@ec.europa.eu)
- If clarifications are needed, please check the [Frequently asked questions](#) section of the Alliance webpage which is regularly updated or send your question to the Alliance mailbox





# Thank you!

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Director General- nucleareurope



**NNWI WEBINAR:  
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# REPOWER

Strategies to rapidly transition energy infrastructure to emissions-free energy sources to address climate change

**Chirayu Batra**

Chief Technology Officer

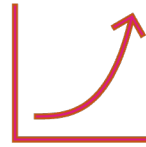
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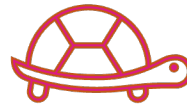
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# KEY RISKS TO THE ENERGY TRANSITION

**Massive Growth & Unmet Demand**



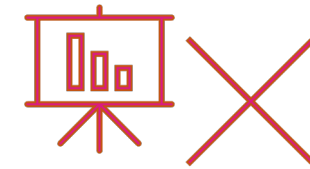
**Slow Project Development**



**Cumbersome Permitting**



**Stranded Assets and Communities**



**Flawed Decarbonization Models**

# WHAT SHOULD THE SMR INDUSTRY DO?

1. Deliver on Promise

2. Streamline Regulations



Make a Product



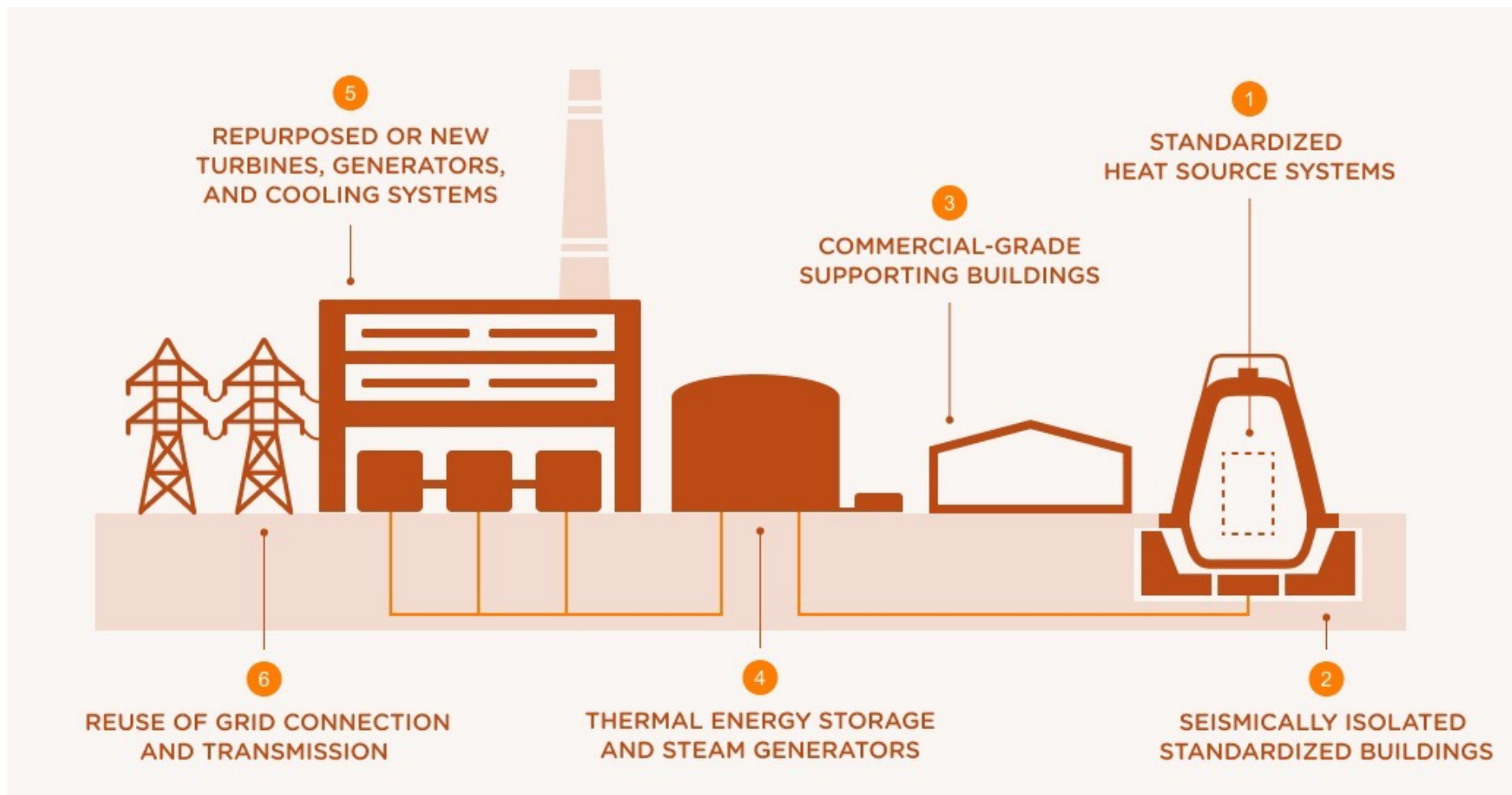
- Think in terms of **cost**↓, **speed**↑ and, **scale**↑.
- **Standardize** most of the structure, system and components along with the supply chain to deliver them → **Modular by design (DfMA)**.
- Design for a large enough set of sites but with sufficiently **common** characteristics to enable highly standardized design.
- Design special features to **isolate** the plant from the variation in the set of chosen sites.
- Design to be **repeatable** with no safety relevant variation.

# EXAMPLE: REPOWERING COAL

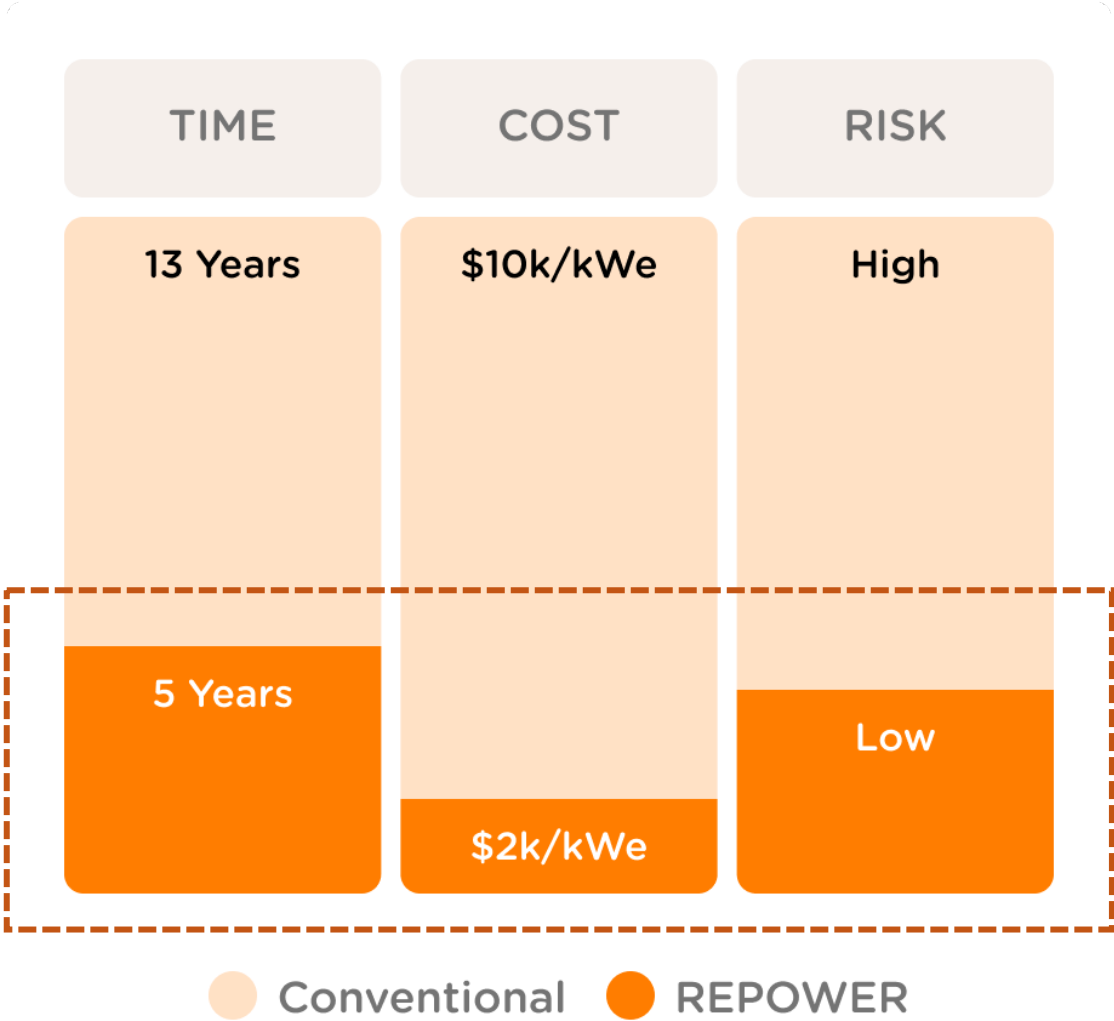
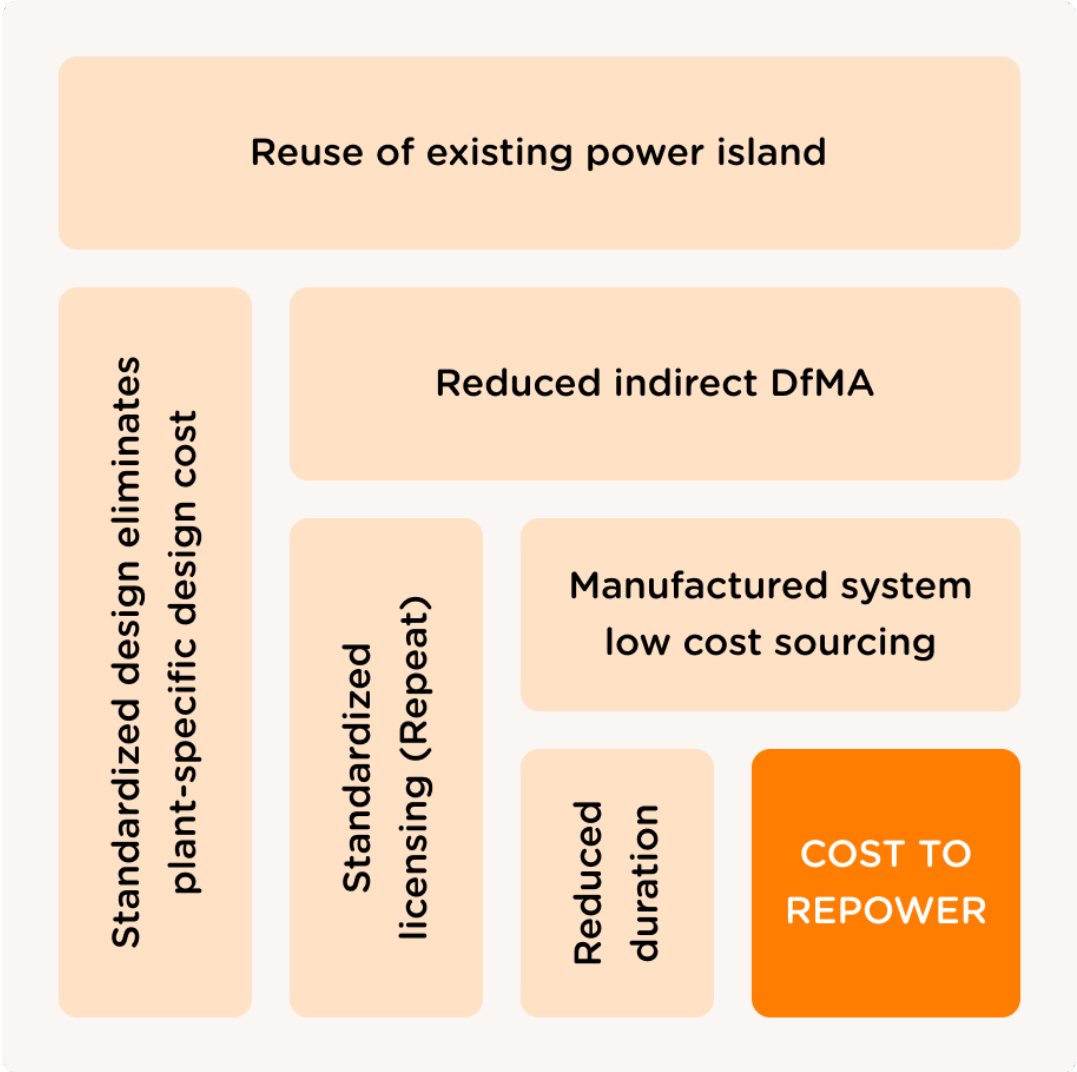
## Built Systems Must Enable Scale and Speed



2TWe  
2050



# FASTER DELIVERY, LOWER COMMERCIAL RISK



# TRANSITION REQUIRED BEYOND THE POWER SECTOR

- Seventy-five percent of primary energy use is outside the power sector (e.g., data centers, steel, cement, aviation, marine shipping).
- Developing emission-free substitute fuels and decarbonizing other high-carbon sectors will require an enormous amount of emissions-free energy.
- The project's scale necessitates energy models that go beyond cost optimization, representing feasible solutions and influencing policy and investment for large-scale decarbonization.



# ENERGY MODELS TO ASSESS THE RISK TO THE TRANSITION

## Feasibility/Reality Check

Land

Transmission

Critical minerals

Project development process

## Repurpose Assets

Use existing infrastructure

## Diversify Pathways

Decisions under uncertainty

Quantifying risk

Diversification of energy sources

# TRANSFORMING MODELING: MODELING INDUSTRIAL DECARBONIZATION

- **Companies are the actors of decarbonization..**
- **But this is not the vision of most models.**
  - Because of hypotheses and simplifications
    - No management of risk
    - No consideration for supply chain
    - Capacity expansion « happens » exactly when needed, and does not require anticipation etc. This includes transmission lines etc. which generates risk for companies
  - Because of the questions asked to models
    - ***What policy is right assuming that industry will adapt?***  
as opposed to
    - ***What can policy do to facilitate transition by industry?***
- **Modeling the decision-making for companies requires specific considerations and models.**
  - Gap in existing models
- **Our approach:**
  - Centered around incorporating such concerns into modeling
- Is Industrial end-user representation accurate (based on their needs)?
- Investment Decisions: Are they modelled and based on realistic assumptions?
- Are there realistic assumptions on capacity expansion with planning time?
- Do end-users depend on grid power exclusively or own source?
- Model Design: Academic exercise or industry tool?
- Is the risk to transition mapped according to the industrial end-user?

A joint paper with the IAEA endorsing this method will be published in Q3 2024

# CLIMATE X PROSPERITY

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# **GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy** **Energy Transition**

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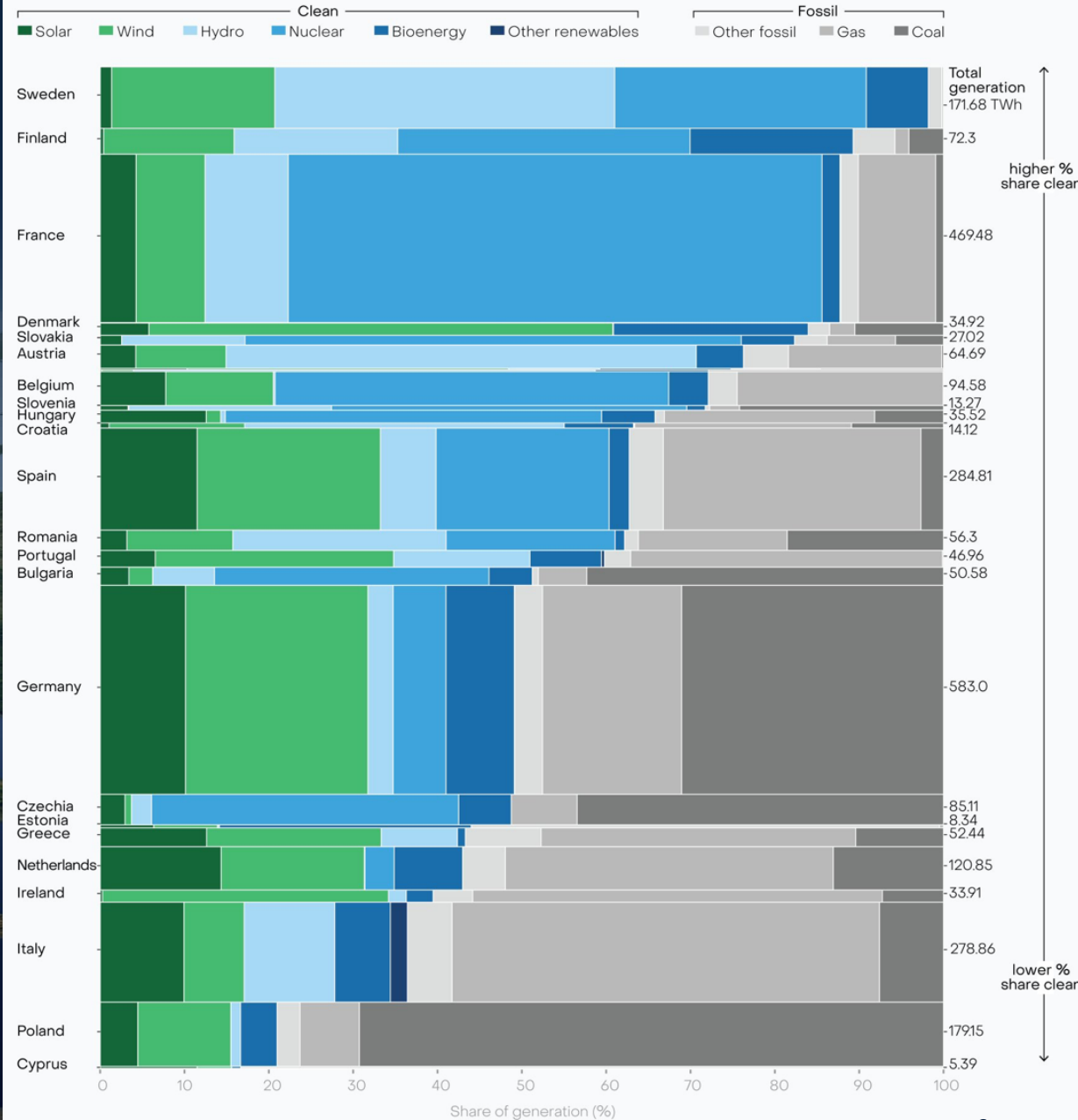
# Different driver in each market -electricity is not offtake alone

## BWRX-300 addresses new segments with

- Reduced cost of capital
- Smaller footprint at locations closer to demand
- Close integration of applications

### Ranked: EU countries on their clean electricity share

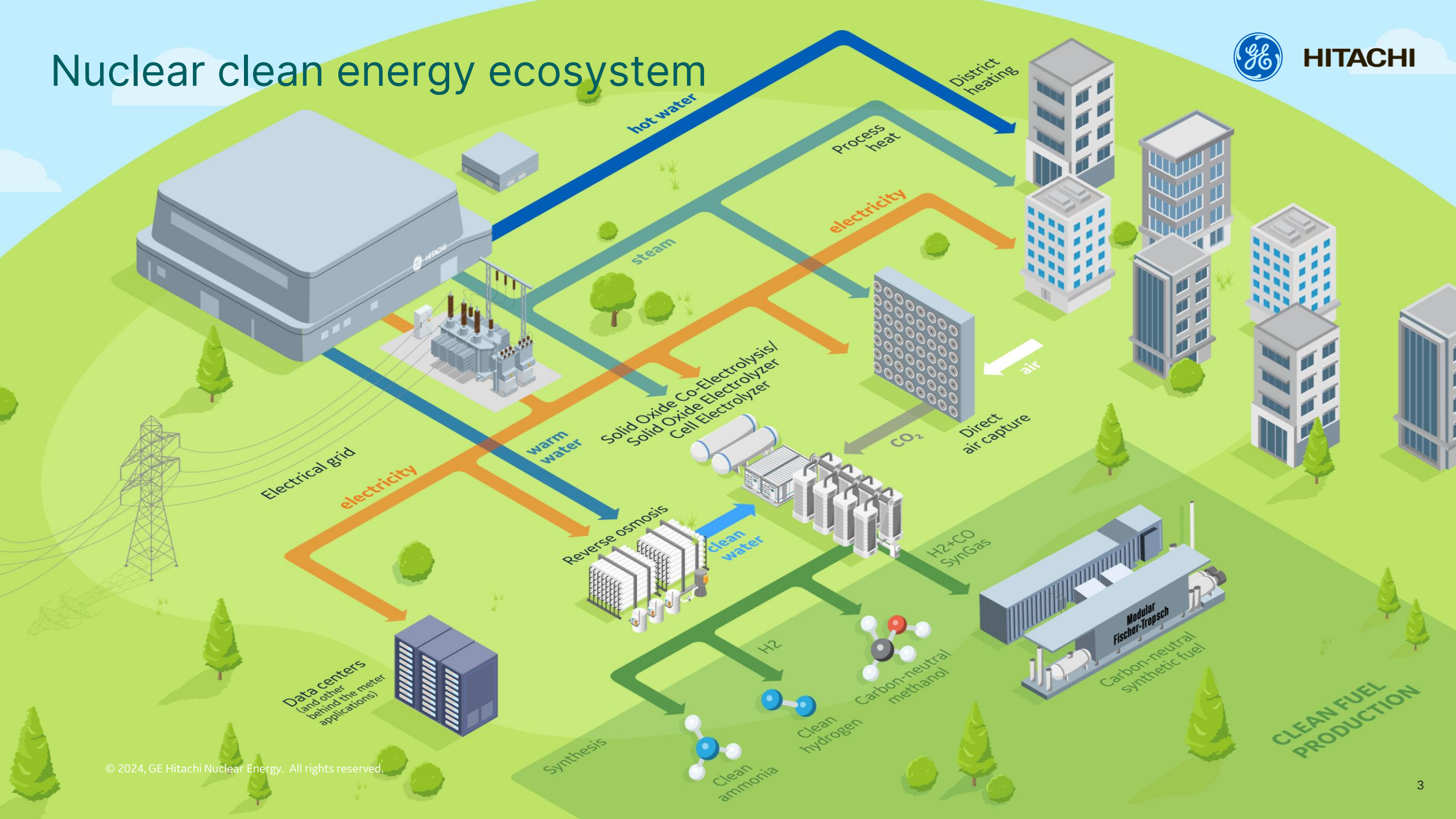
Electricity generation (TWh, height of bars) and share of electricity (% , x-axis)



# Nuclear clean energy ecosystem



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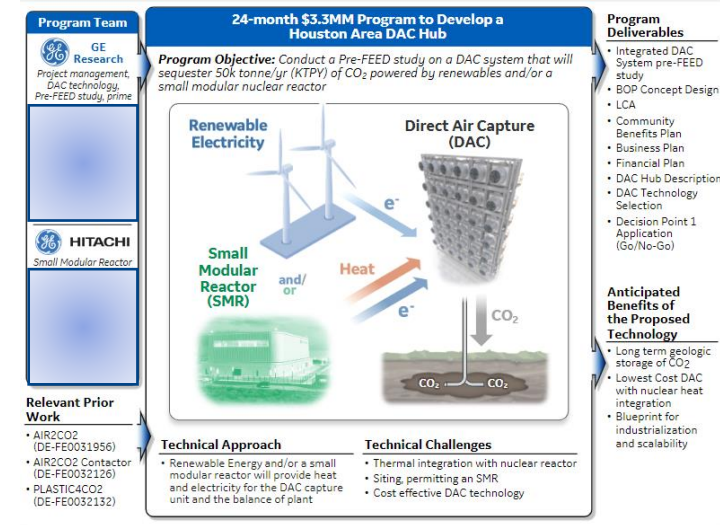
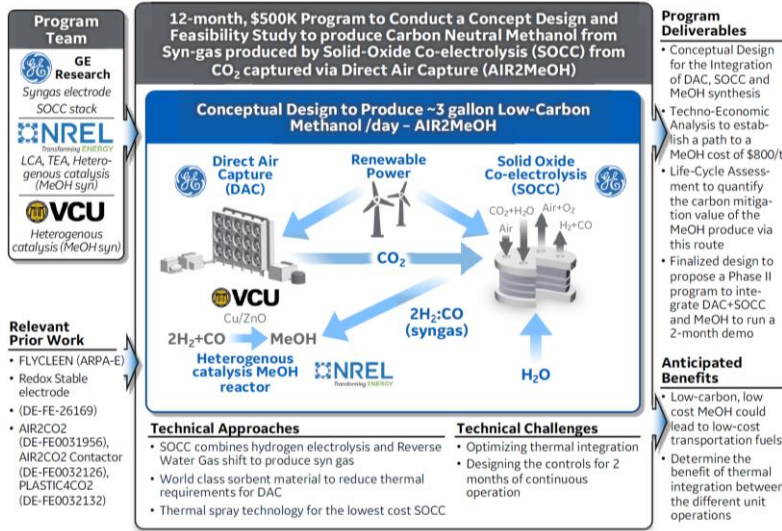
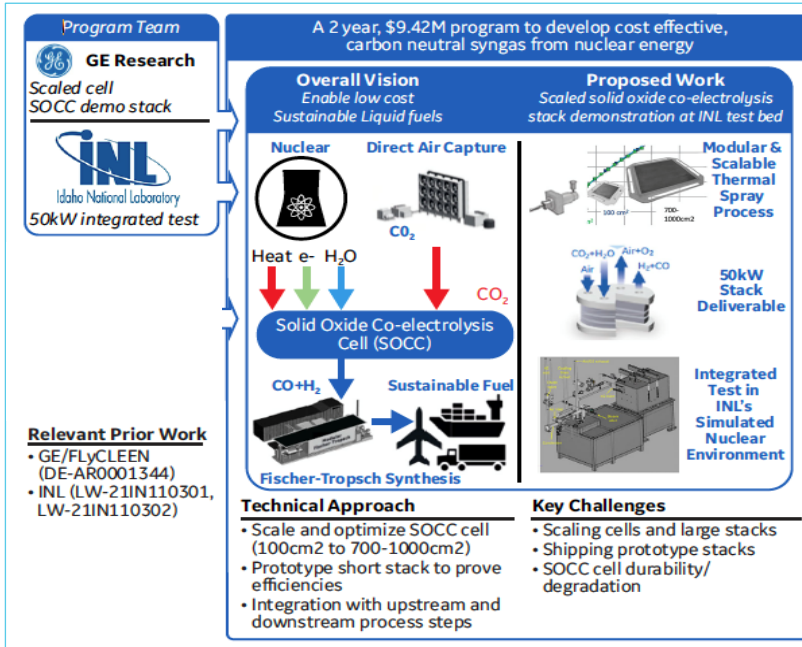


# Commercialization of SMR applications

Prove that SOCC scales to large area.

Develop conceptual design for methanol synthesis using SOCC.

DAC Hub with option for carbon utilization



Ref [https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2023-05/ne\\_abstract-ARD-22-28700.pdf](https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2023-05/ne_abstract-ARD-22-28700.pdf)



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**Thank you**





# AP300<sup>TM</sup> SMR

The ONLY SMR based on N<sup>th</sup> of a Kind Operating Plants

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## SMR deployment in the context of European Energy Transition



# Westinghouse Overview



*Established nuclear solutions provider*

- Founded by George Westinghouse in 1886
- USS Nautilus (commissioned 1954)
- World's first commercial pressurized water reactor (PWR) in 1957 in Shippingport, Pennsylvania, U.S.
- Responsible for some of the world's greatest advances and innovations in energy technology
- Key partner in solving the global energy challenge

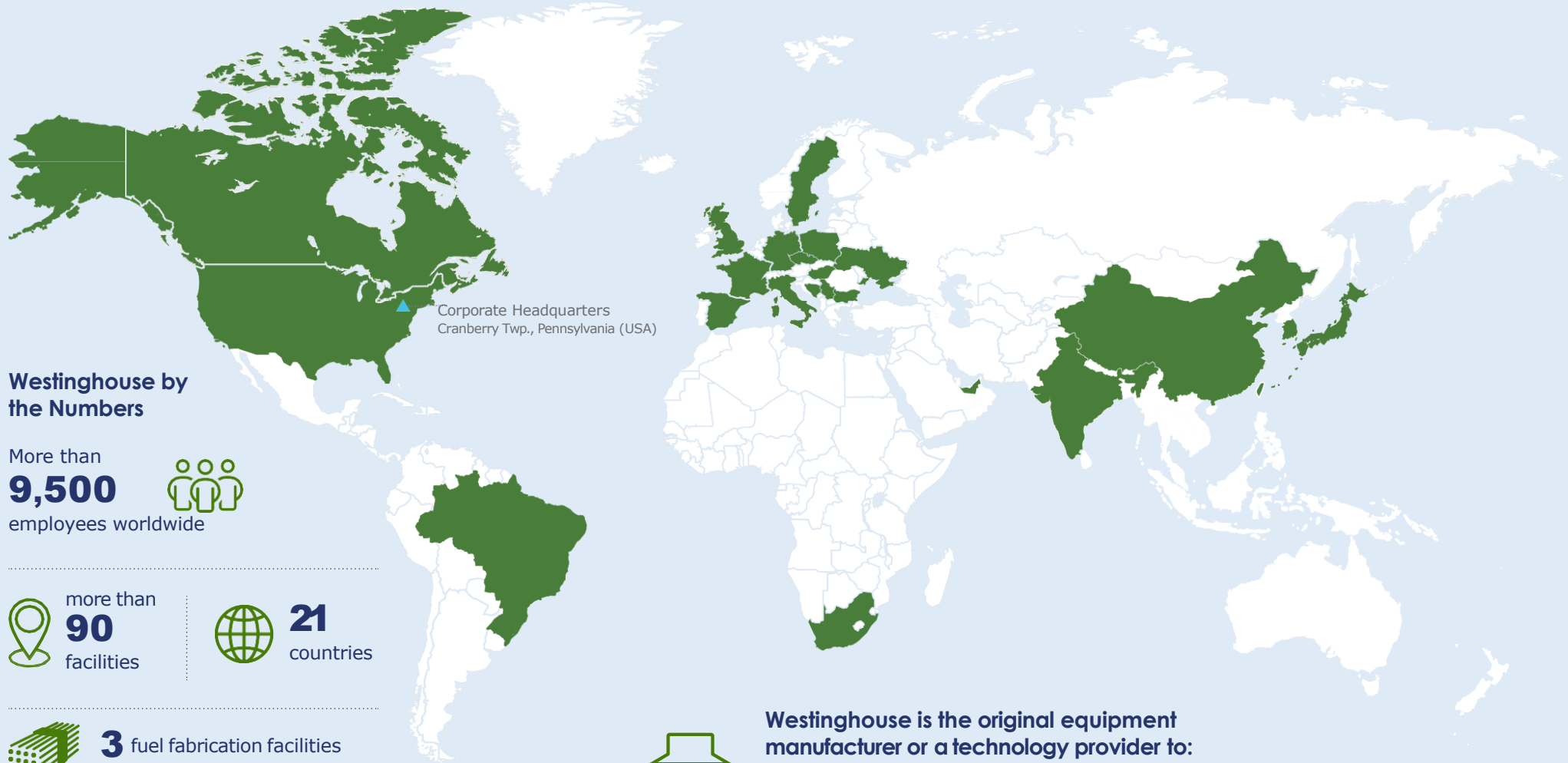
More Than  
**137**  
Years of Innovation



# Westinghouse global presence

## Legend

- ▲ Corporate Headquarters
- Countries with Westinghouse Presence



### Westinghouse by the Numbers

More than  
**9,500**   
employees worldwide



more than  
**90**  
facilities



**21**  
countries



**3** fuel fabrication facilities






**Westinghouse is the original equipment manufacturer or a technology provider to:**

**~50%** of the global nuclear reactor fleet,  
delivering capacity of ~190,000 carbon-free MWe

# Emissions-Free Power

Approximate emissions reduction equivalents\*

	 <b>Approximate Emissions Avoided</b>	 <b>Equivalent Vehicles Off the Road</b>	 <b>Homes Powered Annually</b>
<b>AP1000 Power Plant</b> 1100+ MWe	<b>7 million</b> metric tons of CO <sub>2</sub>	<b>1.5 million</b> cars off the road	<b>750,000</b> homes powered
<b>AP300 SMR</b> 300 MWe	<b>1.85 million</b> metric tons of CO <sub>2</sub>	<b>400,000</b> cars off the road	<b>195,000</b> homes powered
<b>eVinci Microreactor</b> 5 MWe	<b>55,000</b> metric tons of CO <sub>2</sub>	<b>10,000</b> cars off the road	<b>5,000</b> homes powered

Source: data calculated using Westinghouse research and epa.gov emissions comparatives

# Today's Energy Landscape

The world is recognizing the need for nuclear & is seeking proven solutions

## CUSTOMER CHALLENGES



## THE SOLUTION

### CUSTOMERS CONTINUE TO SELECT WESTINGHOUSE



China has 4 AP1000 reactors in operation & 8 units under construction



Poland contracts for 3 AP1000 reactors



Bulgaria selects 2 AP1000 reactors



U.S. has 1 operating AP1000 and 1 in final commissioning



Ukraine contracts for 9 AP1000 reactors



India selects 6 AP1000 reactors

# AP300 SMR

Only SMR based on deployed, operating & advanced reactor technology



## Proven Technology

**21** AP1000 reactor-years of safe operations

Based on the fully licensed & operating AP1000 technology.



## Advanced Safety

More than **30** years licensing advanced passive technologies with global regulators

We pioneered passive safety systems. AP300 utilizes identical passive safety systems used in the AP1000 reactor to maintain safe shutdown condition.



## Readily Deployable

Approximately **0.4** acres needed for safety related buildings

Ultra-compact, simplified design reduces construction timeframes. Maximizes use of established supply chain.



# Proven Technology

Leveraging AP1000 technology with demonstrated industry leading reliability



300MWe (990MWth) 1-loop PWR  
with demonstrated reliability



Westinghouse AP1000 reactor  
passive safety technology



Reduces overall components  
creating a simpler plant compared  
to other SMRs

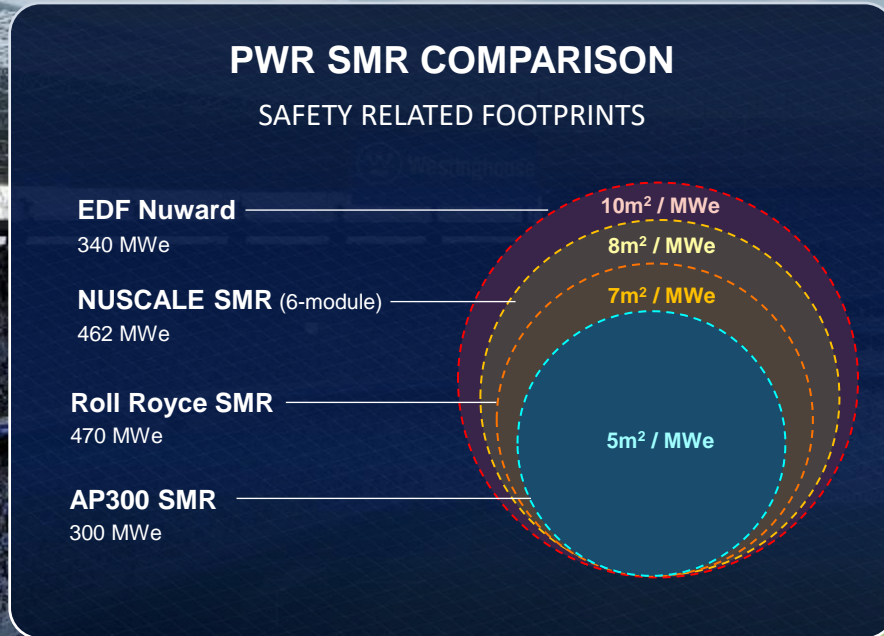


Identical Technology as  
AP1000 including:

- | Design & licensing methodologies
- | Major equipment & components
- | Passive safety systems
- | Proven Fuel
- | I&C systems
- | Proven Supply Chain
- | Constructability lessons learned
- | Steel-Composite structural modules
- | O&M procedures & practices
- | Fast load follow capabilities

# Ultra Compact Footprint

AP300 SMR's smaller safety related footprint reduces construction, operating & maintenance costs





# Passive Safety Pioneers

AP300 SMR uses the identical proven AP1000 fully passive safety systems



## Fail Safe

Automatically achieves safe shutdown without the need for operator action



## Self Sufficient

Passive approach to safety eliminates the need for backup power & cooling supply



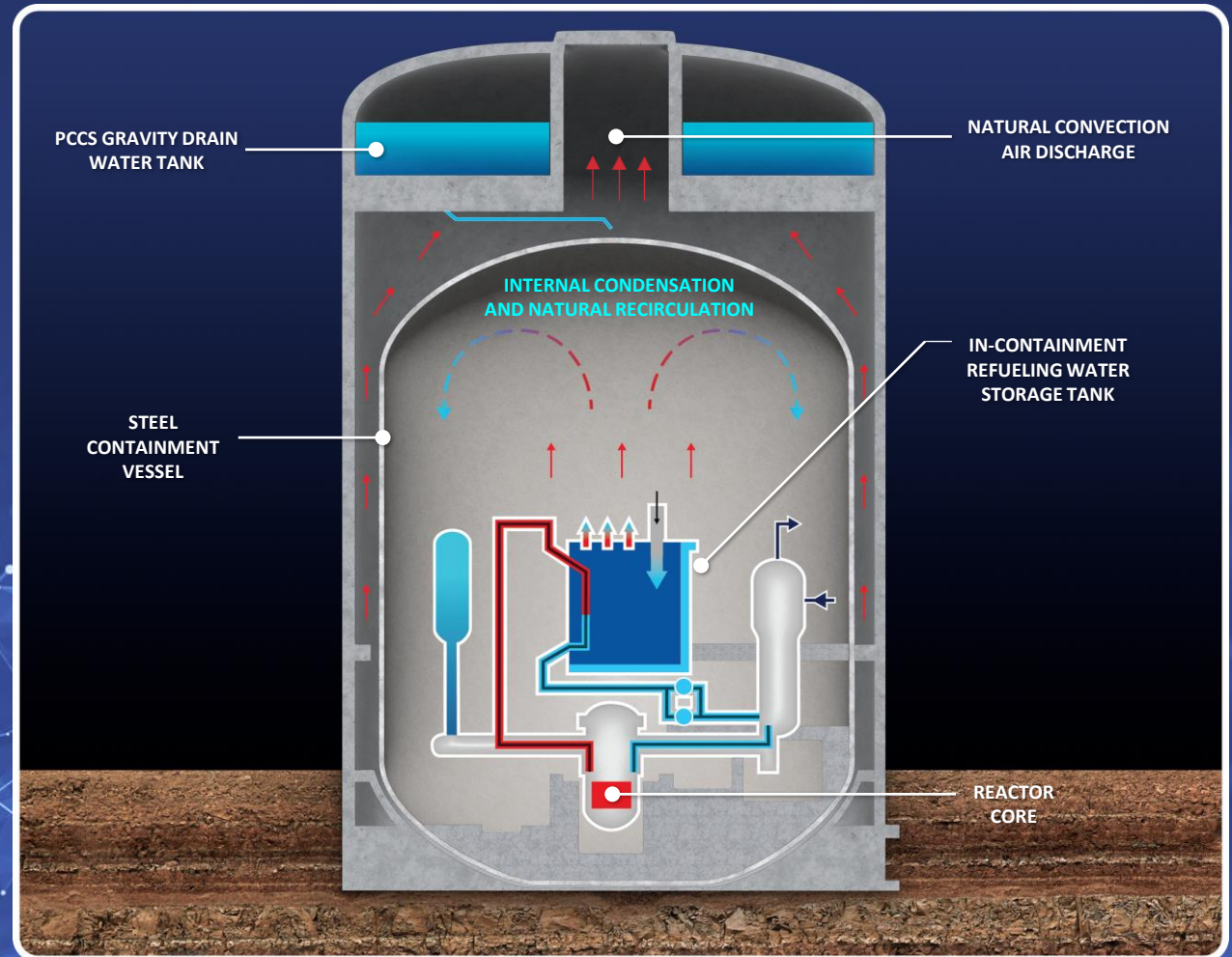
## Hazard Proof

Protected by a robust containment designed to withstand extreme external hazards



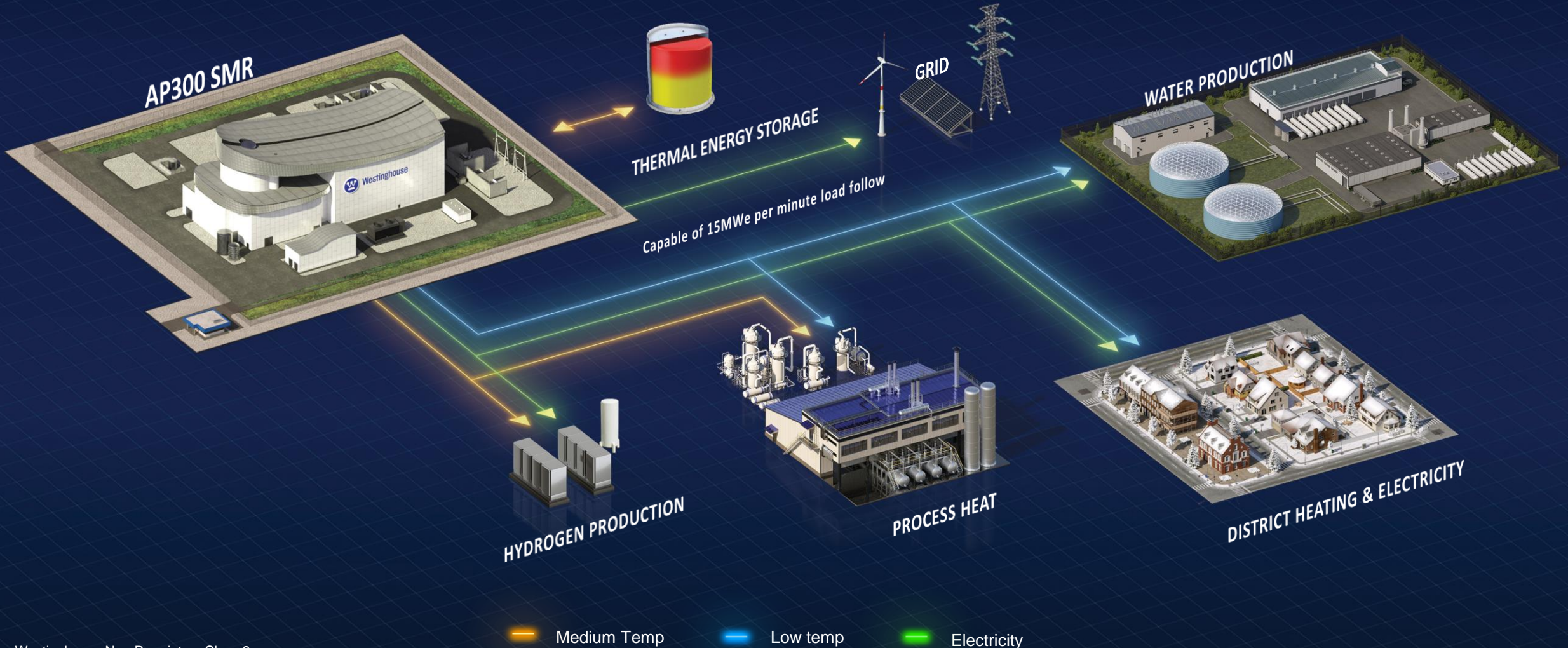
## Defense in Depth

Multiple layers of defense for accident mitigation



# Versatility of Application

AP300 SMR is the backbone of a community clean energy system



# AP300 SMR Roadmap

Leverages our AP1000 reactor design and licensing experience to achieve deployment by early 2030's



NOAK target overnight cost \$3400 per kWe ... ~\$1B per unit

# Readily Deployable by 2030's

Proven pedigree throughout the plant lifecycle ensures deployment & operations success



## Technology Readiness

Tens of millions of hours dedicated to AP1000 reactor development  
5 AP1000 reactors operating, 1 nearing completion, more pending



## Licensing Certainty

Based on licensed & operating AP1000 technology, the only technology to be fully licensed by the U.S NRC



## Established Supply Chain

Incumbent AP1000 suppliers can deliver major equipment  
Demonstrated capability to localize supply chain



## Modular Construction

Simplified, modular, ultra compact nuclear island (costliest portion of any reactor) reduces construction costs/schedule



## Reliable O&M

Record setting AP1000 operational & outage performance  
Targeting **+80-year** life cycle



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Q&A Discussion

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