

Global perspectives on nuclear energy development



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We are the voice of the global nuclear industry



Major reactor vendors - nuclear utility companies - uranium mining, conversion, enrichment, and fuel fabrication companies - nuclear engineering, construction and waste management companies – R&D organizations - transport, law, insurance and finance service companies

Nuclear energy increased in 2021



Global electricity production 2653 TWh (+100 TWh)

Global average capacity factor 82.4% (+ 2.1%)

Operable reactors

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Capacity: 396 GWe (-1GWe) 6 reactors grid connected in 2021 **Reactors under construction**



10 construction starts (8.9 GWe) in 2021

Reactors shutdown



Capacity: 8.7 GWe

Energy has taken a front row seat in global geopolitics

Average monthly electricity wholesale prices selected countries in the European Union (Euros/MWh)

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International daily spot gas prices in 2022 (\$/MBtu)





Nuclear energy offers a great opportunity to decarbonize the entire economy

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Source: UNECE 2021



Lots of excitement about new nuclear projects, large and small



Barakah 1 & 2 - UAE APR-1400 In operation



Haiyang- China AP1000 In Operation





Rooppur 1&2- BangladeshAkademik LomonosovVVER-1200KLT-40S - RussiaUnder ConstructionIn operation



Natrium, US 345 MWe SFR MS storage Under Development



NuScale, US 77 MWe PWR Design Licensed



HTR-PM, China 2x110 MWe HTGR In Operation



Terrestrial, Canada, US, UK 190 MWe IMSR Under Development



BWRX300, US 300 MWe BWR Under Review



Aurora/Oklo, US 1.5 MWe Heatpipe FNR Under Review

Advanced SMRs

Funding for demonstration Swedish lead-cooled SMR

A Uniper Sweden and LeadCold JV has received funding in support of the construction of a demonstration LeadCold SEALER (Swedish Advanced Lead Reactor).

The SEALER design is claimed to generate 3-10 MWe over a 10-30 year period without refueling.

Moltex SMR clears first phase of regulatory review



The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission has completed the first phase of the VDR for Moltex Energy's 300 MWe Stable Salt Reactor -Wasteburner (SSR-W 300).

The SSR-W is a molten salt reactor that uses nuclear waste as fuel. The company aims to deploy its first reactor at the Point Lepreau site in New Brunswick by the early 2030s. Assystem to cooperate with Naarea on micro-reactor



French Assystem has signed an agreement with newlycreated French micro-reactor developer Naarea to build its ultra-compact eXtra Small Modular Reactor (XSMR).

Naarea says it expects to produce the first units of XSMR 1 to 40 MW molten salt reactor by 2030. Empresarios Agrupados contracted for first ThorCon reactor



Spanish engineering firm Empresarios Agrupados (EA) has been named as architect engineer for the 500 MWe floating ThorCon molten salt reactor (TMSR-500) to be deployed in Indonesia.

According to ThorCon, only 24 months will be required from the start of construction before each plant will be capable of sending electricity to the grid

High Temperature Reactors

UK selects HTGR for advanced reactor demonstration



The UK will build a hightemperature gas reactor (HTGR) as the centrepiece of its Advanced Modular Reactor Research, Development & Demonstration Programme.

The goal is to have a demonstration unit in operation "by the early 2030s, at the latest

Doosan to assess manufacturability of Xe-100



Doosan will support the development of the reactor by performing a study for its optimum design in terms of manufacturability.

The Xe-100 is an 80 MWe (scalable to a 320 MWe four-pack) high-temperature gas-cooled (HTGR) reactor.

Demonstration HTR-PM

connected to grid

The demonstration High Temperature Gas-Cooled Reactor - Pebble-bed Module at the Shidaowan site in Shandong province of China was connected to the grid at the end of 2021.

The plant features two small reactors that drive a single 210 MWe turbine.

U-Battery unveils fullscale SMR mock-up



A full-scale first-of-its kind mock-up of the main vessels has demonstrated how the reactor can be built using modular techniques.

Preparations for installation of the water-cooled inner cladding components have been completed, with installation work expected to continue well into 2022.

Fast Reactors

US, Japanese firms agree to cooperate on fast reactors



JAEA, MHI and Mitsubishi FBR Systems signed a MoU with TerraPower to cooperate on the development of sodiumcooled fast reactors.

JAEA said Japan aims to accelerate innovations in various nuclear technologies in collaboration with the development of nextgeneration innovative reactors overseas. Construction licence issued for Russia's BREST reactor



It will be the world's first experimental demonstration power unit featuring a leadcooled fast neutron reactor.

The 300 MWe unit will be the main facility of the Pilot Demonstration Energy Complex (PDEC)

Completion of MBIR reactor brought forward



Construction of Russia's multipurpose sodium-cooled fast neutron research reactor was 8% ahead of schedule at the end of 2021 and is now expected to be completed in 2027, one year earlier than previously planned.

The MBIR is a 150 MWt, sodiumcooled fast reactor and will have a design life of up to 50 years. Newcleo, ENEA to cooperate on advanced reactors



Agenzia Nazionale per le Nuove tecnologie, l'Energia e lo Sviluppo economico sostenibile

UK innovative reactor developer Newcleo and ENEA sign agreement.

The Italian national agency for new technologies, energy and sustainable economic development – will cooperate on the development of small, lead-cooled fast reactors. ASSOCIATION

Carbon Neutrality Toolkit

Supporting policymakers to make informed decisions towards the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement.





https://carbonneutrality.unece.org/

UNECE Carbon Neutrality Project

Carbon Neutral Energy System of the Future integrated interplay of all low- and zero-carbon technologies.



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Nuclear Power Brief

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Raising Awareness

Recognise that nuclear power is a source of low-carbon energy and heat that can help decarbonise energy systems

Promoting Acceptance



Develop policies that instil confidence and facilitate the wider application of nuclear power to decarbonise electricity and energy intensive industries



Incentivising Finance Develop financing frameworks that instil confidence and incentivise affordable public and private investment in support of new nuclear power projects

Nuclear energy is sustainable

UN life cycle assessment publication highlighting the sustainability of nuclear energy compared with other electricity sources.

Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions

Nuclear power's lifecycle emissions are estimated with the lowest GHG of all technology assessed.

Human health

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Nuclear power show low impact on human health

Ecosystems

"Nuclear power show a very low score on the ecosystem damage indicator" Figure 1 Lifecycle greenhouse gas emission ranges for the assessed technologies



Lifecycle GHG emissions, in g CO2 eq. per kWh, regional variation, 2020

https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-04/LCA_3_FINAL%20March%202022.pdf

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Carbon Neutrality through Technology Interplay

UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

Carbon Neutrality in the UNECE Region Technology Interplay under the Carbon Neutrality Concept





The UNECE Carbon Neutrality Toolkit is integrated approach looking at interplay of all low- and zero-carbon technologies.

Reference scenario

without dedicated sustainable energy or climate policies.

Carbon Neutrality Scenario Normative scenario to net zero

Special technology deep dives

- Hydrogen
- Carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS), including direct air capture(DAC)
- Nuclear energy realizing its potential, new application and markets

Carbon Neutrality Innovation Scenario

All three technology deep dives combined: synergies and benefits

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Pathway to Carbon Neutrality

Carbon Neutrality Innovation Scenario

For the UNECE region, the amount of generation from nuclear energy triples, with 6235 TWh (~30% supply), with 874 GWe of installed nuclear capacity, of which 450 GWe is projected to be SMRs, by 2050



Key Takeaways – Carbon Neutrality Energy System



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Diversify Energy

Diversify primary and final energy supply



Phase-Out Fossil Fuels

Accelerate phaseout of unabated fossil fuels



Electrification

Electrify all sectors through renewable energy and nuclear power



Innovate

Scale up innovative low- and zerocarbon technologies such as carbon capture, use and storage (CCUS), hydrogen and advanced nuclear power

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The Harmony programme is a global initiative of the nuclear industry coordinated by World Nuclear Association.

Nuclear energy offers a golden opportunity to build a cleaner, more equitable world, in which everyone has access to clean abundant affordable energy and a high quality of life.

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