



# NUCLEAR TRANSPARENCY WATCH

Prevent and anticipate through transparency and participation

## the Aarhus Convention in the nuclear sector

### current issues

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# Ageing nuclear reactors the Espoo Convention

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- The June 2014 MoP: endorsed findings on non-compliance Ukraine in life-time extension Rivne 1,2
- Result:
  - EIA for life-time extension
  - Also when no physical changes
  - Transboundary EIA
  - Periodic safety review is decision moment for EIA
- Upcoming for: [regulators, resp. auth. Aarhus]  
**BE, CH, CZ, DE, ES, FI, FR, HU, NL, SE, SK, SI, UK**

# New build and transboundary Hinkley Point C

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- Espoo and Aarhus investigating lack of transboundary EIA and public participation
- UK court accepted appeal – hearing July 2014
- Likely result:
  - Each new build nuclear reactor needs a long-range transboundary EIA
  - Recent examples of better practice: HU, FI, PL

# Nat. nuclear waste programmes

## EU Directive 2011/70/Euratom

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- To the Commission: August 2015
- Programmes under art. 7 Aarhus, Kiev Protocol to the Espoo Convention and SEA Directive 2001/42/EC
- transboundary: near-border storage / disposal, regional storage / disposal, (re)processing abroad, international or near-border transports

# Emergency preparedness and response

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- Post-Fukushima NTW Round tables:  
existing plans and implementation inadequate
- Access to information and public participation  
need to improve
- Transboundary action required
- European Commission communication under  
preparation

# Current SEA and EIA practice

- Energy policies → SEA!
  - Good procedural practice: PL nuclear energy plan
- Wide notification (see Hinkley Point C case)
- Content issues in SEA and EIA practice:
  - inclusion of viable alternatives
  - inclusion of beyond design accidents
  - inclusion of the entire fuel chain – including waste
- Access to justice
  - standing, timing, costs

# Summary

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- Ageing reactors: Espoo → EIA for life-time extension
  - New build projects → transboundary SEA / EIA
  - National nuclear waste programmes → SEA 2015
  - Emergency preparedness and response → attention
  - Current SEA / EIA practice → improvement of content and access to justice



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