

European Roundtable on Information and Public Participation in the field of Radioactive Waste Management

**Council Directive 2011/70/Euratom** 

# The implementation of the Radioactive Waste Directive

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## RESPONSIBLE & SAFE MANAGEMENT of SPENT FUEL and RADIOACTIVE WASTE

A unique regional binding legislation aiming at ensuring safety in the backend of nuclear life-cycle without undue burden to future generations and with the necessary public information and participation

#### HOW DID WE GET THERE?

Nuclear Safety Directive

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Council Directive 2009 [71] Euratom

Fukushima

Waste & Spent Fuel Directive Standards

New Basic Safety Standards

Amended Nuclear Safety Directive 2014/87/Euratom

Council Directive 2014/87/Euratom

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## PRINCIPLES for a responsible & safe management of SPENT FUEL and RADIOACTIVE WASTE

- Minimise generation of waste as far as reasonably practicable
- Comprehensive scope from generation to disposal
- Long-term passive safety features
- Costs borne by those who generates radioactive waste
- Evidence-based and documented decision-making process





## 2<sup>nd</sup> COMMISSION REPORT

COM(2019) 632 <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=COM:2019:0632:FIN">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=COM:2019:0632:FIN</a> SWD(2019) 435 <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52019SC0435">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52019SC0435</a> SWD(2019) 436 <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52019SC0436">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52019SC0436</a>

#### EU28 Inventory 2016 TOTAL 3.5 million m<sup>3</sup> **WASTE** thousands m<sup>3</sup> **603 VLLW** 2519 LLW SPENT FUEL 338 ILW tonnes of Heavy Metal 58000 tHM 6 HLW





### DISPOSAL OF SPENT FUEL & HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE

A group of forerunners, also on global scale, precedes by several decades the others







### **TRANSPARENCY**

Member States to have mechanisms in place to inform workers and public on radioactive waste and spent fuel management



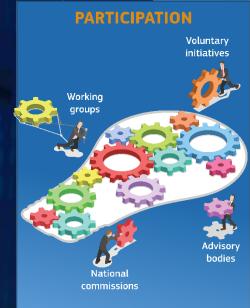
**competent regulatory authority** providing regular updates to citizens

to be given necessary opportunities to participate effectively in the decision making process





Hearings





#### **JOINT EFFORTS**

#### SELF-ASSESSMENT AND INTERNATIONAL PEER REVIEWS

Integrated Review Service for Radioactive Waste and Spent Fuel Management, Decommissioning and Remediation

The IAEA integrated peer review service provides a cross-cutting peer review service for Member States worldwide, as well as in relation to the peer review obligations from the EU Directive on waste management.

2017

2018

2019

2020

2021

2022

2023

23 August

Germany

Latvia

Estonia

COVID19

Romania

Lithuania Slovakia Hungary Cyprus Ireland

Slovenia Denmark Finland Austria Malta

Zech Republi Netherlands Sweden Croatia Greece

Luxembourg Bulgaria France Spain



#### THE WAY FORWARD

#### ADDITIONAL EFFORTS AND SPECIFIC FOCUS NEEDED ON

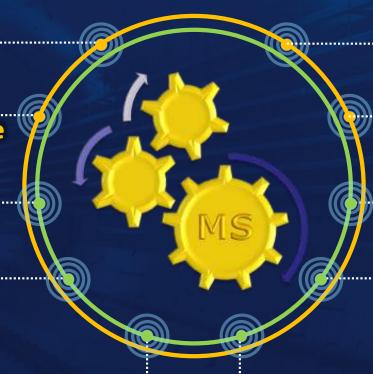
Policies, concepts and plans

Disposal facilities for intermediate- and high-level waste

**Key Performance Indicators** for national programmes

Self-assessments and international peer reviews

Shared solutions



Projection of inventories

Cost assessments and financing mechanisms

Safety demonstrations

Post-closure and knowledge preservation information

Availability of trained and competent staff



## Summary of latest studies

#### ...published

- Study on market for decommissioning nuclear facilities in the European Union <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/energy/en/studies/study-market-decommissioning-nuclear-facilities-european-union ISBN 978-92-76-08711-3">https://ec.europa.eu/energy/en/studies/study-market-decommissioning-nuclear-facilities-european-union ISBN 978-92-76-08711-3</a>
- Study on the risk profile of the funds allocated to finance the back-end activities of the nuclear fuel cycle in the EU <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/energy/en/studies/study-risk-profile-funds-allocated-finance-back-end-activities-nuclear-fuel-cycle-eu">https://ec.europa.eu/energy/en/studies/study-risk-profile-funds-allocated-finance-back-end-activities-nuclear-fuel-cycle-eu</a> ISBN 978-92-76-08713-7
- Support to the mid-term evaluation of the nuclear decommissioning assistance programmes
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- Study on the insurance, private and financial markets in the field of nuclear third party liability https://ec.europa.eu/energy/studies\_main/final\_studies/study-insurance-private-and-financial-markets-field-nuclear-third-party\_en
- Methodologies of cost assessment for radioactive waste and spent fuel management
   https://ec.europa.eu/energy/studies\_main/final\_studies/methodologies-cost-assessment-radioactive-waste-and-spent-fuel-management\_en
- Benchmarking analysis of member states approaches to definition of national inventories radioactive waste and spent fuel

https://ec.europa.eu/energy/studies\_main/final\_studies/benchmarking-analysis-member-states-approaches-definition-national\_en

#### in preparation (i.a.)...

- Study on Key Performance Indicators for monitoring implementation of national programmes on safe and long-term management of spent fuel and radioactive waste
- Study on radioactive waste classification schemes in the European Union

