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Follow-up of the peer review of the stress tests performed on European nuclear power plants

The national European regulators and the European Commission as ENSREG have endorsed the peer review report and the recommendations that finalised the stress test review and published a joint statement dated 26 April 2012, which concluded that follow-up activities would occur through an action plan. The European Council of 28 and 29 June 2012 invited Member States to ensure the full and timely implementation of the recommendations presented in the report from ENSREG further to the completion of the nuclear safety stress tests. The Commission and ENSREG have agreed that further work is needed.?

The ENSREG Action Plan, finally approved on 1 August 2012, will assist in assuring that the conclusions from the stress tests and their peer review result in improvements in safety across European nuclear power plants. It will also assist, through further peer review, in ensuring that the recommendations and suggestions from the stress test peer review are addressed by national regulators and ENSREG in a consistent manner.

The Action Plan specifies the need for country specific action plans (National Action Plans) to be made publicly available by the end of 2012 and to peer review these Action Plans via a common discussion at a dedicated ENSREG workshop to share lessons learned on the implementation of post-Fukushima safety improvements. It also specifies fact-finding follow-up site visits in order to better prepare for the peer review workshop.

This ENSREG workshop to discuss the National Action Plans took place in Brussels from 22-26 April 2013 (a statement from Mr Hartmut Klonk, President of the National Action Plans workshop is available [here](#)). Stakeholders had the opportunity to put questions and to file comments regarding the Peer Review of National Action Plans from 25 February - 20 March 2013 via the ENSREG website. Based on the pre-workshop analysis of each national action plan, on the comments raised by stakeholders as well as the discussions held during the ENSREG workshop, commendable issues and challenges were identified. ENSREG considered the workshop to have been a highly successful exercise and endorsed a follow-up peer review in 2015. This follow-up would ascertain the value of the technical solutions arising from the present in-depth studies, before the implementation of findings in the form of major hardware changes in nuclear power plants. ENSREG approved the first National Action Plan Workshop (2013) summary report (see also press release) which was also been presented at the ENSREG conference in June 2013.

By 31 December 2014, each country was obliged to update its original NAcP to reflect developments since its issue and the current status of the measures and their implementation.

The updated NAcPs have been published on the ENSREG website. Stakeholders had the opportunity to put questions regarding the Peer Review of National Action Plans from 8 January to 28 February 2015 via the ENSREG website. A list of all the questions received from peer reviews and other stakeholders through the ENSREG website can be found [here](#).

The main goal of the 2013 Workshop, as expressed in the ENSREG Action Plan, was to present NAcPs and to peer review them via a common discussion. The main goal of the 2015 Workshop was to use a similar process to peer review progress with implementation of the NAcPs. Additionally, an exchange of technical information on measures and activities as contained in NAcPs is expected.

The 2nd ENSREG Post-Fukushima National Action Plans Workshop took place from 20-24 April 2015. The final [summary report](#) was presented at the ENSREG conference in June 2015. The final [Terms of Reference](#) and the [Information Pack](#) for the Workshop are also available.

In November 2015 ENSREG issued a [statement on the progress in the implementation of post-Fukushima National Action Plans \(NAcPs\)](#).

All relevant documents will continue to be published.

Link to the [ENSREG Action Plan](#).

Link to the [Follow-up fact-finding visit reports](#).

The National Action Plans of the participating countries can be found under the relevant [Country Specific Reports](#).

Link to the [Template for the National Action Plans](#).

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