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EU nuclear safety framework

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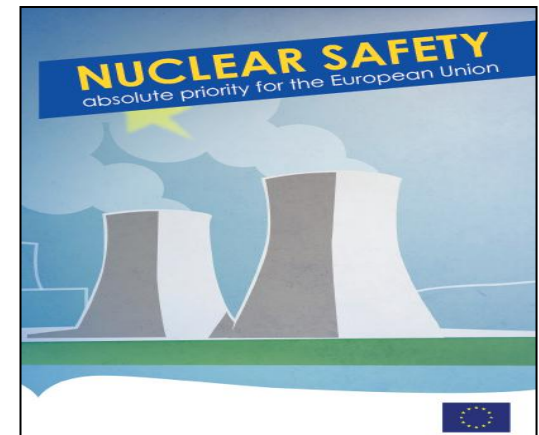
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Nuclear Safety Directive (2009)

- **EU-wide legally binding framework**
- **Reflects international instruments:**
 - ❑ **Convention on Nuclear Safety**
 - ❑ **IAEA Safety Fundamentals**
- **Important step *but* limited to general principles:**
 - **National responsibility for nuclear safety**
 - **Regulatory independence**
 - **Transparency**



Why a new directive?



- **Strong support for the revision of the 2009 Directive from the EP and the EESC**

Main features

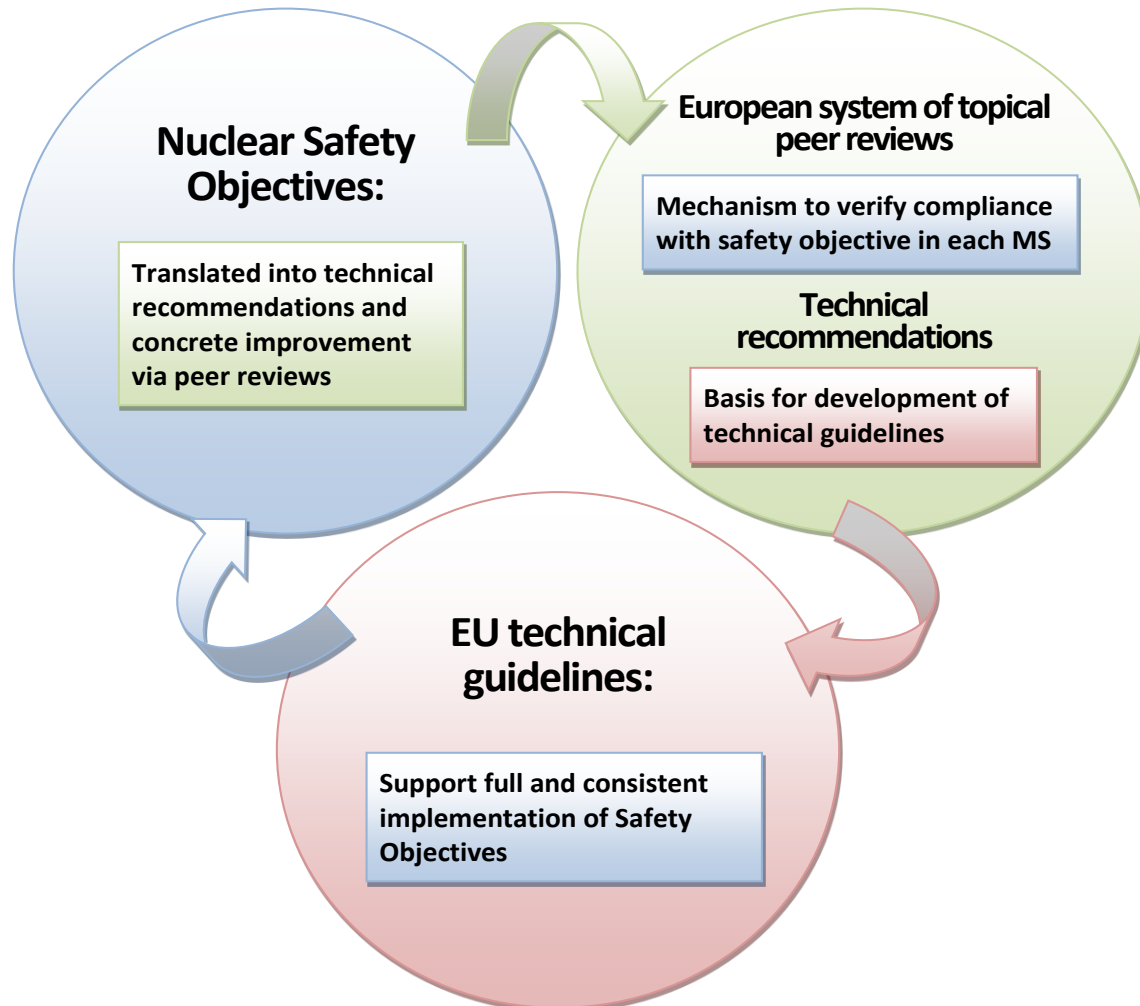
Safety objectives for nuclear installations
European system of topical peer reviews
EU-wide harmonised nuclear safety guidelines
Transparency
Independence and role of national regulators

**Continuous improvement of nuclear safety
throughout the EU**

New Directive: how it works – 1



New Directive: how it works – 2



Adoption and implementation

- **Tentative timeline:**

EESC Opinion	September 2013
Adoption by the Commission of the proposal to the Council	October 2013
Opinion of the European Parliament	Beginning 2014
Adoption of the Directive by the Council	Spring 2014
Deadline for transposition	18 months after the entry into force of the Directive



Further initiatives

- **Nuclear insurance and liability:**
 - Disparities in **victims' treatment** across the EU
 - Possible **competition issues**
 - Commission **proposal** end 2013 (after public consultation and impact assessment)
- **Off-site emergency preparedness & response:**
 - ongoing: a **review of arrangements** in the EU and in neighbouring countries
 - end 2013: **proposals for improvements**



International cooperation

- **Stress Tests: involvement of neighbouring countries**
- **Partnership with the IAEA:**
 - improve collaboration on **nuclear safety**
 - strengthen **safety culture** and **emergency preparedness**
 - review and revise the **international legal framework (Nuclear Safety Convention)**
- **New Euratom cooperation agreements**

