



Statement from Mr. Andy Hall,

Chairperson of ENSREG,

following the Group's 30th meeting of the 30th June and 1st July 2015

ENSREG reflected on the outcomes of their conference, considering that it had been a high quality event. The event brought together around 300 delegates including national regulators, NGOs, nuclear operators and academics with speakers from China, USA, South Korea and Argentina. The importance of civil society engagement in all points of the agenda was acknowledged. It was noted however, that participation and in particular industry participation were reduced.

Hans Wanner, chairman of WENRA presented three elaborated candidate topics for the 2017 topical peer review exercise (TPR) under the new nuclear safety directive: Natural Hazards, Periodic Safety Reviews and Ageing Management. There was strong consensus within ENSREG for Ageing Management. WENRA was invited to further develop its technical proposal for presentation at the next ENSREG meeting, while in parallel ENSREG would develop a proposal for the Topical Peer Review process.

ENSREG took the decision to redraft its Work Programme (WP) starting in 2016, to refocus and realign its activities with the EC's priority objectives in support of the implementation of the Nuclear Safety Directive, Waste and Spent Fuel Directive and the Basic Safety Standards Directive.

ENSREG concluded that the National Action Plan Peer Review Workshop had been a successful event stimulating extensive and open debate on individual country plans. ENSREG approved the National Action Plan Peer review Summary Report. In view of the delays in implementation of the identified safety improvements, the EC invited and ENSREG accepted to deliver a statement on ENSREG's assessment of the implementation status in the autumn via written procedure. Furthermore ENSREG will prepare a proposal for the follow-up reporting and closure of the implementation actions.

ENSREG received a detailed presentation from the IAEA on the Fukushima Daiichi Accident Comprehensive report. The full report will be made public in September at the time of the IAEA general conference.

ENSREG will prepare their 2-yearly report to the European Parliament and the Council for presentation in the autumn of 2015.

Finally, ENSREG took the decision to establish an Ad Hoc task group to perform the peer review of the Armenian Stress Test report.

The next ENSREG Plenary would take place on Tuesday 24 November 2015 in Brussels