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(AN&DR)





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Legislative and regulatory system



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES CONTROL (CNCAN)

regulatory body in the nuclear field

NUCLEAR AGENCY & RADIOACTIVE WASTE (AN&DR)

- Promoter of the nuclear energy development in Romania (power and non – power applications), exclusively for peaceful purposes
- Responsible for disposal of radioactive waste (RW) and spent nuclear fuel (SNF), and ensure at national level the coordination of the nuclear installations decommissioning processes

Waste producers

manage their own radioactive waste from its generation until disposal



CNCAN



- The national authority competent in exercising regulation, licensing and control in the nuclear field;
- Independent body, reporting to the Prime Minister through the Chief of the Prime Minister's Chancellery
- ➤ Elaborates the strategy and the policies for regulation, licensing and control with regard to safe management of radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel;



AN&DR



- Established in December 2009;
- Specialized body of the central public administration financed by waste producers and from the State Budget;
- Under the coordination of Ministry of Economy, Trade and Business Environment;
- ➤ Elaborates and update at least every 5 year the National Strategy for safe management of radioactive waste;
- Develop and implement technical solutions for disposal;
- Maintain an update inventory of RW.



Regulations for RWM (1)



- Fundamental safety norms on safe management of radioactive waste (NDR-01/2004);
- ➤ Norms for clearance from authorization regime of materials resulted from authorized nuclear practices (NDR-02/2004);
- ➤ Norms on classification of radioactive waste (NDR-03/2005);
- ➤ Norms for the calculation of dispersion of radioactive effluents released by nuclear installations (NDR-04/2004);
- ➤ Norm on surface disposal of radioactive waste (NDR-05/2005);
- ➤ Norms for international shipments of radioactive materials involving Romanian territory (NDR-06/2002);



Regulations for RWM (2)



- Norms for decommissioning of nuclear objectives and installations (NSN-15/2002);
- ➤ Radiological safety norms for radioactive waste management from uranium mining and milling (NMR-02/2002);
- ➤ Radiological safety norms on the conservation and decommissioning of uranium and/or thorium mining and/or milling facilities Criteria of release from CNCAN regulatory body in order to use for other purposes of the buildings, material, facilities, dumps and area, contaminated following the activities of uranium and/or thorium ore mining and/or milling (2003);
- > Fundamental norms for safe transport of radioactive materials (2002);



Sources of RW



Nuclear Power Plant (NPP)

- SNN/CNE Cernavoda U1, CANDU type, 720MWe, in operation from 1996;
- SNN/CNE Cernavoda U2, CANDU type, 720MWe, in operation from 2007;
- SNN/CNE Cernavoda –U3&4, CANDU type: to be constructed by 2020;

2. Research reactors (RR)

- RAAN/SCN Pitesti, TRIGA type, 14 MW, in operation from 1979
- > IFIN-HH Magurele, VVR-S type, shutdown in 1997, under decommissioning

3. Mining and milling (M&M)

- CNU, various sites/uranium ores extraction mines
- CNU/Feldioara, uranium ores processing plant

4. Nuclear Fuel Plant (NFP)

FCN Pitesti, CANDU type fuel fabrication plant

Institutional field

Medicine, Industry, Universities, Agricultural



Basic principle



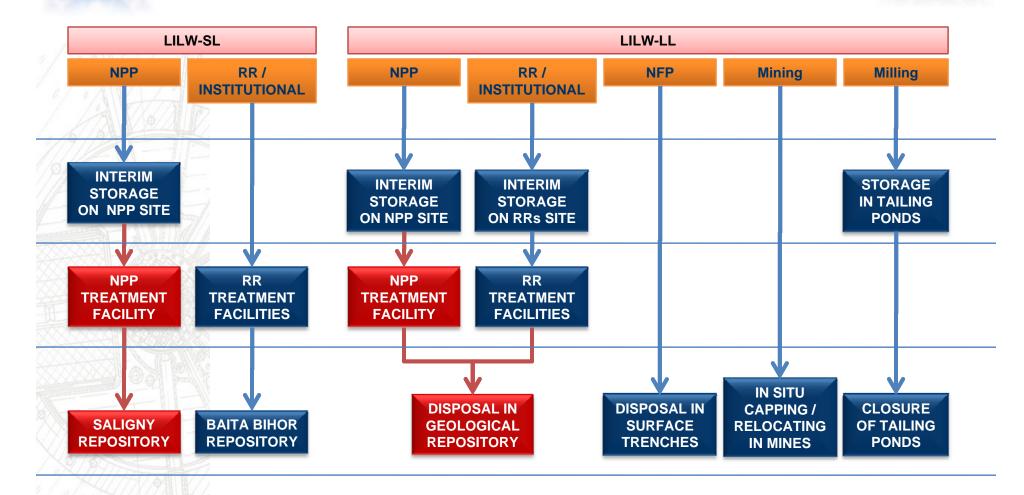
Basic principle of radioactive waste disposal in Romania:

- > VLLW: less complex arrangement than LILW-SL;
- ➤ LILW-SL: near surface disposal facility;
- ➤ LILW-LL and SNF: geological repository;
- ➤ SNF is considered RW;
- > Import of RW is forbidden.



The National Strategy for Safe Management of Radioactive Waste - LILW -





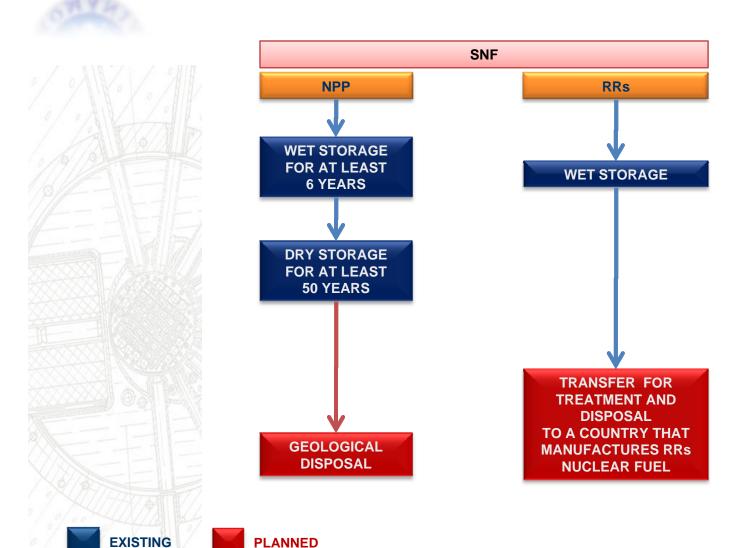






The National Strategy for Safe Management of Radioactive Waste - SNF -



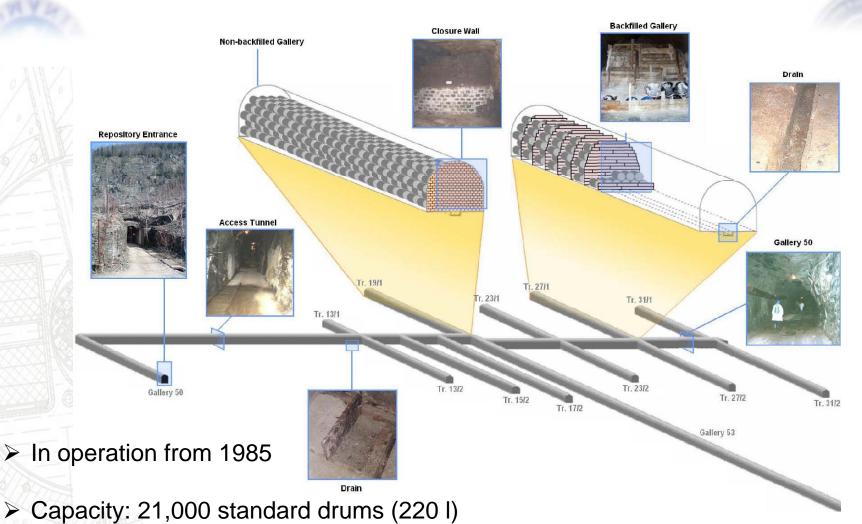


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Baita Bihor Repository (existing LILW-SL disposal facility)





> Type: an old exhausted uranium mine



Saligny Repository (future LILW-SL disposal facility)



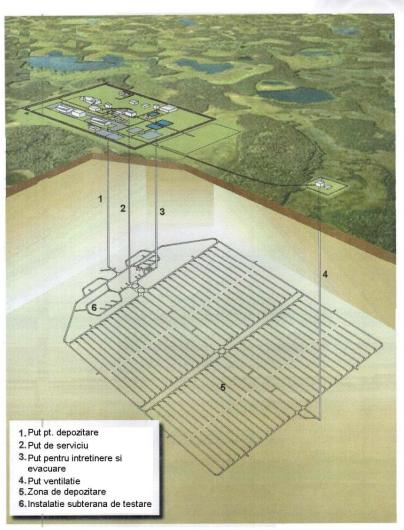
- The proposed disposal concept: a near-surface facility with multiple barriers;
- Preferred site: the Cernavoda NPP area (Saligny);
- Site surface: 67 ha;
- Repository surface: 22 ha;
- RW: LILW-SL with certain quantities of LILW-LL generated by operation and decommissioning of 4 Units at Cernavoda NPP;
- Maximum capacity: about 122.000 m³
- Cells: 64 cells, 27,9m x 15,23 m x 5,7 m
- Disposal modules: 24.576 DM, CBF-K type, 1,7 m x 1,7 m x 1,7 m
- Estimated cost: 263 MEuro (2009 price)



Deep Geological Repository(future SNF/LILW-LL disposal facility)



- The DGR proposed concept will implement an existing and proven technology, adapted to local conditions.
- The proposal assumes the similarity of Canadian Concept for a Deep Geological Repository for CANDU spent fuel.
- ➤ DGR facility will dispose:
 - ✓ **Spent fuel**: 14,550 HMT (3,550 HMT/unit);
 - ✓ <u>Long lived wastes</u>: 15,660 standard drums from operation and 19,000 standard drums from decommissioning.





The way ahead (1)



- > 3 new regulations will issue by the end of 2012:
 - ✓ Storage of radioactive waste,
 - ✓ Storage of spent nuclear fuel,
 - ✓ Decommissioning of nuclear installations;
- ➤ Geological repository: CNCAN intends to endorse the IAEA relevant publications;
- > Improvement of the Legal Framework in order to clarify specific issues regarding the Radioactive Waste Management;
- ➤ Up-dating the Medium and Long Term National Strategy for Safe Management of Radioactive Waste;
- ➤ Elaboration of the AN&DR's Institutional Development Strategy in order to enhance the capacity to achieve its mission;



The way ahead (2)



- ➤ Licensing the Saligny Repository Site;
- > Refurbishment of existing conditioning facilities;
- Upgrading of Baita-Bihor national repository;
- Licensing of a new conditioning facility;
- > Approval of the Road Map for Geological Repository Development;
- ➤ Strengthening the efforts to increase the Public Acceptance for Radioactive Waste Repositories;