



**Statement from Ms. Marta Žiaková,  
Chairperson of ENSREG,  
following the Group's 44<sup>th</sup> meeting of 24 November 2021**

The 44<sup>th</sup> meeting took place in hybrid format with virtual and physical participations.

ENSREG welcomed six new Members to the Group (Austrian, French, Greek, Hungarian and two Romanian). Noting the end of the two-year terms of ENSREG's Chair's and Vice-Chairs' mandates, ENSREG agreed in view of the current pandemic situation and the absence of physical meetings to extend the current terms of the holders to allow appointments to be made in a regular way. Members were invited to send any nominations by the end of February 2022 with a decision on the appointment/reappointment of the Chair and Vice-Chairs to be taken at the next plenary of March 2022.

ENSREG approved the Final EU Peer Review Report on the Implementation of Belarusian Stress Test National Action Plan and its immediate publication.

Regarding the second Topical Peer Review (TPR-II), ENSREG:

- decided on the nominations of team leaders and rapporteurs as presented by TPR-II Board;
- agreed to focus site visits on research reactors and potentially on other installations in case of open issues, and invited WG1 in cooperation with WENRA to prepare criteria for selecting the research reactors to visit, as well as for defining the process for selecting open issues for other installations to be visited;
- invited Members to propose nominations to the vacant position of the Vice-Chair of the TPR-II Board by 8<sup>th</sup> of December 2021, which will be later approved via written procedure;
- took note of the progress done within WG1 on preparation of the TPR-II Terms of Reference;
- encouraged WENRA to cooperate closely on the Technical Specifications for TPR-II;
- approved the TPR-II factsheets to be used by the Member States and the stakeholders' engagement plan;
- took note of the interest of non-EU countries to participate as observers with a decision on the level of participation to be made in future.

ENSREG approved the Status Report for the first Topical Peer Review on ageing management and its publication before the end of the year.

ENSREG took note of the ENSREG Board for Stress Tests in Third Countries' report to the plenary and in particular of the good progress regarding the ongoing Stress Test Peer Review for the Akkuyu Nuclear Power plant in Turkey.

ENSREG working groups WG1, WG2 and WG3 presented their activity reports.

ENSREG took note of the preparation and the draft programme of the 6<sup>th</sup> ENSREG Conference to take place on 20-21 June, 2022.

Under any other business, the Commission also informed on activities relating to small and modular reactors (SMRs) and invited ENSREG to nominate experts to the Working Group on Licensing of SMRs by the end of the year. In order to facilitate the nominations by ENSREG members, the Commission will organise an information session for interested ENSREG representatives and experts from nuclear regulators on the work of the Group on 14 December 2022.

ENSREG's next routine plenary will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> of March 2022 either as a hybrid or a virtual meeting, depending on the pandemic conditions.