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Outline

- Status of Nuclear Energy Development
- The Global Energy Imbalance
- The Role of Nuclear Energy
- The three legs of the chair and the need for Nuclear Knowledge
- Concerns
- Activities
- Hopes

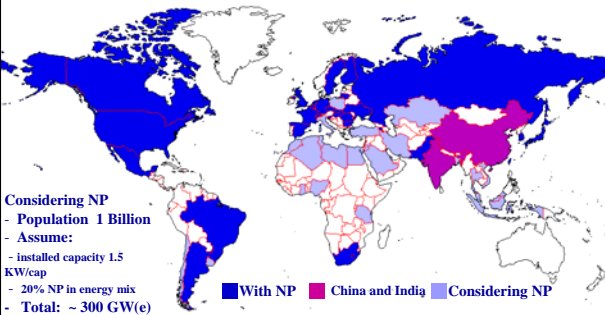


Status of Nuclear Power

- More than **11 000 reactor years of experience**
- More than **440 power reactors in operation** (installed capacity > 370 GWe)
- Average plant **load factor: >80%**
- Contributions to global electricity: **~16% in 2004**
- **Low electricity cost, good safety records**
- In 2004/5, **new capacity 7529 MWe** connected to the grid.
 - South Korea: Ulchin 5 & 6 (2x960 MWe)
 - China: Qinshan 3 (610 MWe)
 - Japan: Hamaoka 5 (1380 MWe)
 - Ukraine: Khmel'nitsky 2 & Rovno (2x950 MWe)
 - Russian Federation: Kalinin 3 (950 MWe)
 - Canada: Bruce 3 (769 MWe) restarted
- **Shift in national energy strategies**






The Nuclear Power Map

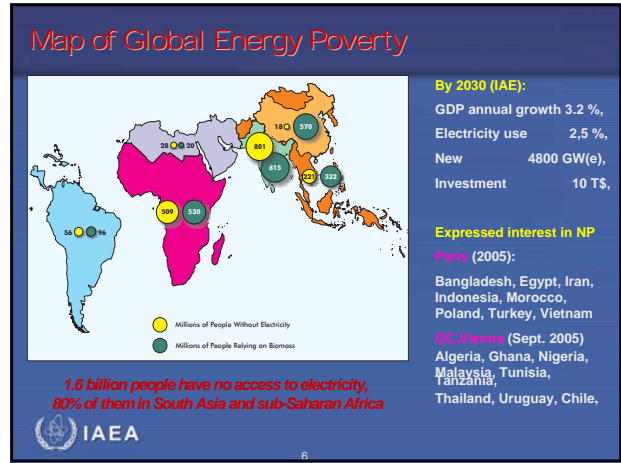
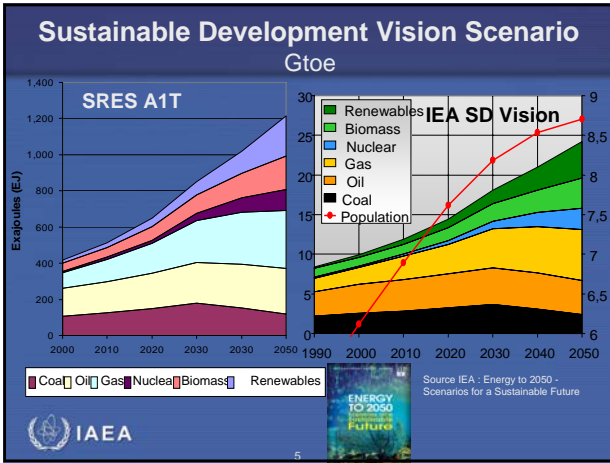


Considering NP

- Population 1 Billion
- Assume:
 - installed capacity 1.5 KW/cap
 - 20% NP in energy mix
 - Total: ~ 300 GW(e)



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Growing expectations in NP: developed and developing countries.

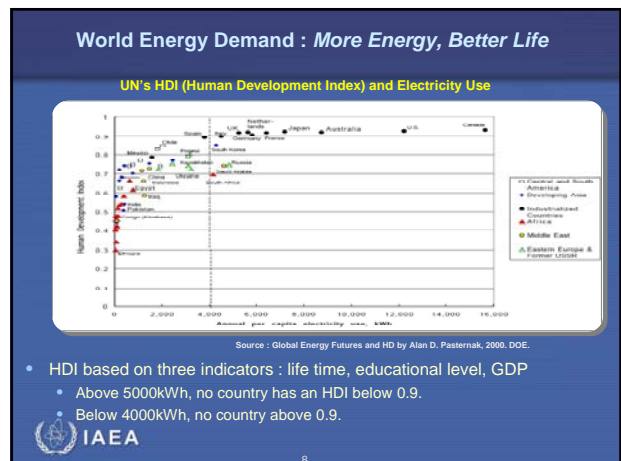
Developed countries:

- Modest increase in use/capita
- Non-power application: transport(H₂)
- Market and deregulation (investment return, renewable, waste)
- Public acceptance, climate change factors

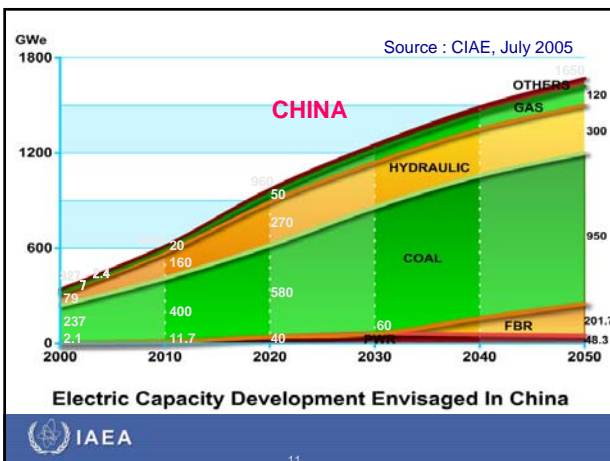
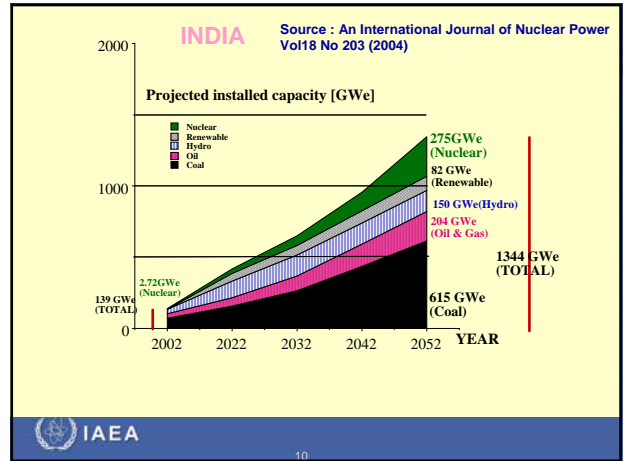
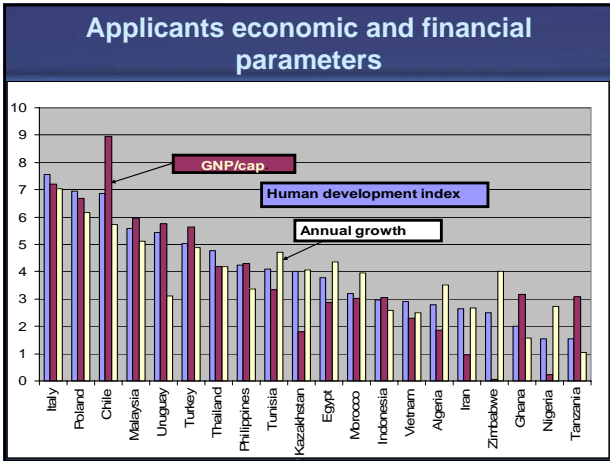
Developing countries:

- Multiple increase in use /capita, living standards
- Industrial development
- Non-power application: water, heat
- Infrastructure

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The Nuclear Power Future

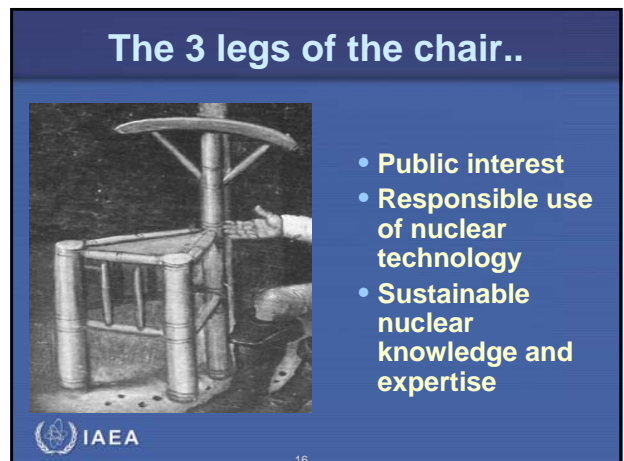
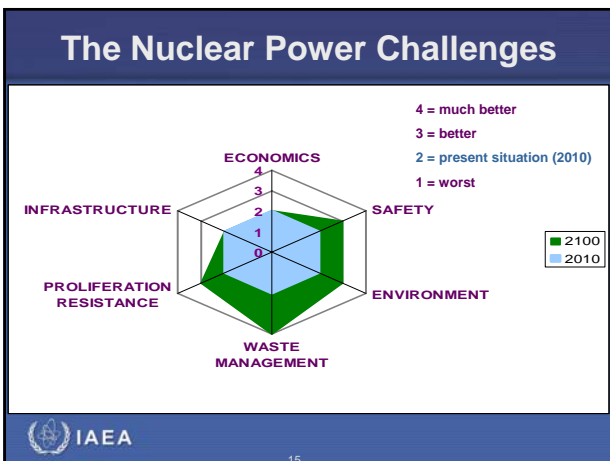
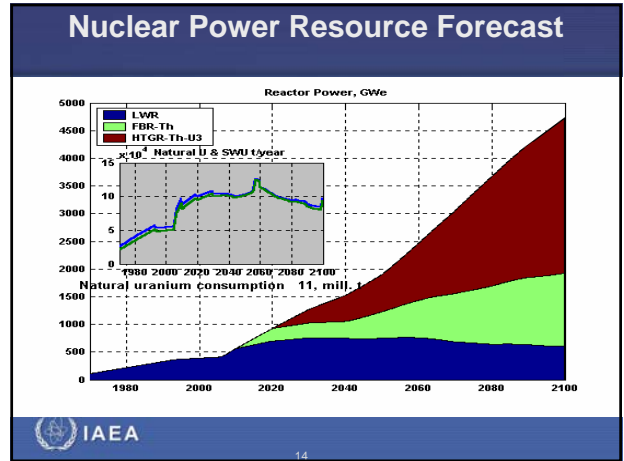
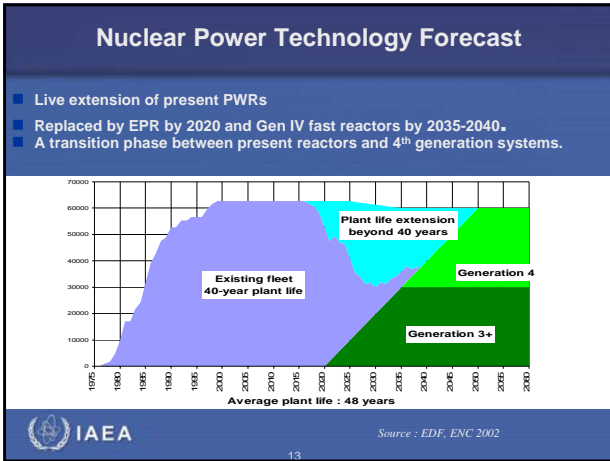
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A Technology Roadmap for Generation IV Nuclear Energy Systems

Methodology for the assessment of innovative nuclear reactors and fuel cycles

Report of Phase 1B (first part of the)

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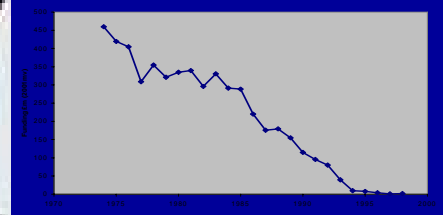
Concerns

- Aging of personnel, retirement
- Loss of knowledge,
- Degradation in technology skills and know-how
- Degradation in Safety of current installation
- Dilution or loss of innovation potential

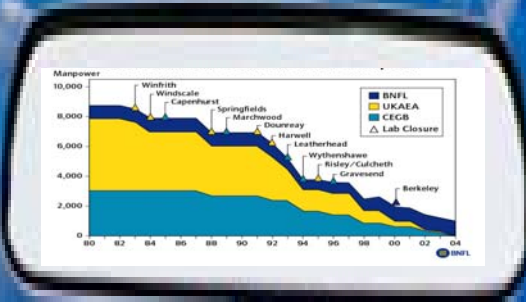


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A look in the rear view mirror..... Decline in UK Public Fission R&D Funding

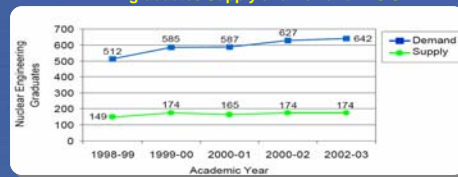


A look in the rear view mirror..... Decline in UK R&D Manpower in Industry



HRD : Deficiency of NE Graduates

NE graduates Supply and Demand in U.S.



Source : NEDHO 2004

- Demand prediction – Survey result of 52 percent of 176 U.S. companies
- Supply prediction - Survey result of 28 U.S. universities
- ¼ Supply/Demand (S/D) deficiency in U.S.
 - It looks like the Janus Face



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HRD : The Janus Face of S/D Deficiency

Nuclear Engineers : High Demand = High Opportunity

Source : DOE presentation by W.D. Magwood, 2004

- Despite of more job opportunity with high salary, the supply is continuously decreased due to the closing or merging of NE departments in universities.
- To enhance employment of the student, it is needed to encourage universities and graduate school

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HRD : Long-term Investment

Trends in Enrollments vs. DOE University Program Investment

- A unique solution of S/D deficiency is dependant on the long-term investment to NE
- How ? When ? Where ? Amount ?
 - *The Yoyo Syndrome and Long Winter in four season Model by B.J. Chung*

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Динамика кадрового состава ГУП ВНИИХТ

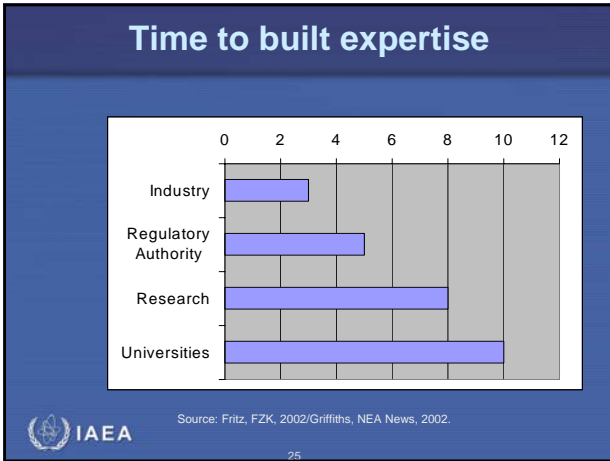
Source: VNIIEKhT data

Needed Expertise in Germany

Source: Fritz, FZK, 2002.

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HRD : Highlight Issues

- Nuclear Energy Faces Significant Human Resources Issues
 - Ageing of the 1st generation experts
 - Massive retirement within next years
 - Decreasing student supply and reducing nuclear program
 - Deficiency of human resource to replace the current workforce

Source : IYNC 2004 presentation by S.J. Chung & OECD NEA, 2001 Nuclear Education & Training : Cause for Concern

Employment Crisis vs. **High Job Opportunities**

How urgent is Nuclear KM?

- Unless action is taken now, invaluable assets in critical nuclear knowledge and capacity will soon be lost.
- The need to sustain the present level of deployment of nuclear technology (energy and non-energy alike) requires urgent action throughout the nuclear community and beyond.

IAEA Meeting of Senior Officials , June 2002

The Role of the IAEA

IAEA has an obligation to lead activities towards preservation and enhancement of nuclear knowledge by complementing, and as appropriate supplementing, activities by governments, industry, academia and international organizations.

- The Agency, in particular, should use its potential in assisting Member States to ensure the preservation of viable nuclear education and training which is a necessary prerequisite for succession planning.

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IAEA Objectives

- To increase awareness in Member States,
- To provide methodology and guidance,
- To support nuclear education and training,
- To implement special projects, provide services and support to nuclear knowledge management initiatives.



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Activities

A substantial area of Agency activity involves assisting Member States:

- capacity building,
- human resources development,
- support to educational programmes,
- hands on training,
- knowledge transfer,

in ways best suited to their desired uses of nuclear technology.

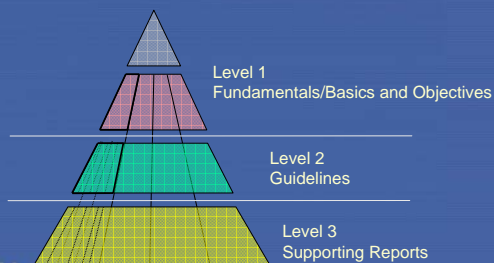


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IAEA Nuclear Energy Knowledge Base

A new system of Agency Technical Support Documents

NUCLEAR ENERGY SERIES / NES



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Agency's Nuclear Safety Knowledge

- **Embedded in the IAEA Safety Standards**




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Current activities of the KM Programme


- Developing Policy and Guidance for Nuclear Knowledge Management
Knowledge Management in Nuclear Power Plants, Knowledge Loss Risk Management methodology, etc
- Networking Nuclear Education
WNU, ANENT, ENEN, UNENE, IUSS, etc.
- Pilot Projects in critical areas -
Fast Reactor KP initiative, GCR, Chernobyl Knowledge Preservation, others.



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Asian Network for Education in Nuclear Technology (ANENT)

ANENT (URL: www.anent-iaea.org)




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What is ANENT?

- The ANENT was launched in February 2004.
- The ANENT has 28 member institutions from 12 countries, and 4 collaborating organizations.




					
					
					



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Progress of the ANENT

- ANENT Web-portal is developed.
 (URL: www.anent-iaea.org)
- A database provides data on curricula from ANENT member institutions;
- "Activities" support each ANENT group activities;
- A cyber platform supports various types of web-based learning;
- The other functions facilitate information exchange.

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A joint initiative of IAEA, ICTP and WNU

Trieste Summer School for Nuclear Knowledge Management

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The World Nuclear University

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The new Agency “Nucleus” portal

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Future plans

- Continue to maintain the nuclear knowledge base,
- Complete the nuclear knowledge management methodologies, tools and practices and make them widely available.
- Initiate knowledge preservation projects in important areas,
- Provide support to educational networks,
- Cooperate with Industry (WANO, WNA) on assessing and managing “knowledge loss risks”.

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