GMF perspectives on the stress test and peer review

POST-FUKUSHIMA STRESS TEST
PEER REVIEW

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2000. Creation of GMF.

**GMF Principles:**

- To promote the application of local democracy in nuclear energy management in order to get the total respect for
  - Safety
  - Transparency and Local Participation
  - Radioactive Waste Management
  - Economic development
- To promote the implementation of the **EU standards** in all EU counties
- To defend the existence of NPP in our territories
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- GMF is composed by municipalities from **Sweden, Spain, Netherlands, Belgium, Lithuania, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, Germany, France and Slovenia.**

- At the same time GMF is also developing a good **cooperation** with the affected municipalities still not members of GMF in Finland.
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GMF recommendations (1/2)

Local representatives from the GMF agreed on the following 10 recommendations for good governance in nuclear territories.

1. To clearly define ‘the concerned people’ with special provisions as regards information and participation.

2. To establish an effective legal or / and institutional framework for information provision and public participation.

3. To ensure provision and dissemination of transparent, plural and reliable information by independent experts in lay terms.

4. To create tools for public participation (LICs, partnerships, etc) around nuclear facilities.

5. To ensure effective communication channels between the different political spheres - national decision-makers and local authorities.
GMF recommendations (1/2)

6. To ensure that the **know-how of nuclear municipalities** is effectively transferred and taken into account in the decision-making process (I)

7. To guarantee **sufficient resources** for nuclear areas to undertake information and participation procedures (I + P)

8. To promote **training programmes** for competence building (I)

9. To promote **mechanisms for the exchange of information** / experiences on safety, stakeholder involvement and local development at EU level.

10. To ensure that municipal practices on information and participation are **independently reviewed and disseminated**.
GMF and Stress Test

- Local communities knew that they are not Fukushima but questions on safety and security are on the table again.

- Fukushima opened the debate about the nuclear safety and demonstrated that the nuclear safety is improvable.

- EU reaction was quick:
  - Pointing at the improvement of the nuclear safety standards.
  - Giving an answer to the citizens about their personal security.
Safety is based on technical and management issues, but the perception of safety is important.

Stress test and peer review will give us a deep information on the real situation of NPP from the safety point of view and the investments needed to get the best standards.

The maximum accident can happen,
- How possible is?
- Is the emergency planning enough if it take place?
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**GMF expectations**

- To frame the public debate on nuclear safety
- To work in safety perception
  - Public information
    - Real risk
    - Probability
    - Investments
    - Commitment from different actors
  - Emergency preparedness and response
Thank you for your attention