



# IAEA Nuclear Harmonization and Standardization Initiative (NHSI)

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## SMRs and NHSI

- More than 80 SMR designs under development in 18 countries
- Some SMRs are innovative reactors yet to be licensed
- Novel manufacturing methods new to the industry

- NHSI launched to facilitate deployment of safe and secure SMRs and advanced reactors
- NHSI seeks common regulatory and industrial approaches to SMRs
- SMRs can contribute to Agenda 2030 and Paris Agreement



### Nuclear Harmonization and Standardization Initiative

for SMR



Regulators

Governments

Technology Holders

**Operators and** 

other end-users



International Organisations and Associations



Framework for information exchange

To identify regulators' information sharing needs, obstacles and potential solutions International prelicensing regulatory reviews

> To develop a process and criteria for an international pre-licensing design review

Leveraging other regulatory reviews

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To develop approaches and best practices for leveraging other regulators' reviews



#### Topical Groups of the NHSI Industry Track

Common Approaches to Codes and Standards Harmonization of high-level user requirements

Experimental Testing and Validation for Design and Safety Analysis Computer Codes

Acceleration of nuclear infrastructure implementation for SMR

## NHSI: Summary of Steps



- **Regulatory Working Groups**: Kick-off meetings held in October 2022
- Working Groups include 26 Member States + NEA/OECD
- The IAEA internal team and management structure are in place
- Overall scope and timeline have been developed
- Interface meetings scheduled with Industry Track
- Industry Topical Groups: Many companies taking part + NEA, NEI and WNA
- Each Topical Group has a different work schedule, all four have held meetings so far
- Engagement with Regulatory Track is ongoing, for example on vendor deployment models and capacity building for regulatory bodies
- What we have ahead of us is work, contact us to join the effort!

Next NHSI Plenary Meeting 27 June 2023, Vienna





## IAEA Support to MS on SMRs

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## Save the date: 28-31 Oct 2024



 Expected to address major topics in relation to development, deployment, safety, security, economics, market readiness, fuel cycle, waste management, etc. of SMR and their applications, as well to present and discuss the first outcomes of NHSI





"SMRs and other advanced nuclear technologies hold immense promise to help address the climate crisis. But if countries are to fully benefit from their potential to significantly reduce emissions and provide reliable energy, then some challenges to global deployment must be addressed. That's what this new initiative is all about."

> Rafael Mariano Grossi IAEA Director General





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