



# How can nuclear power help reduce the industry's carbon footprint?

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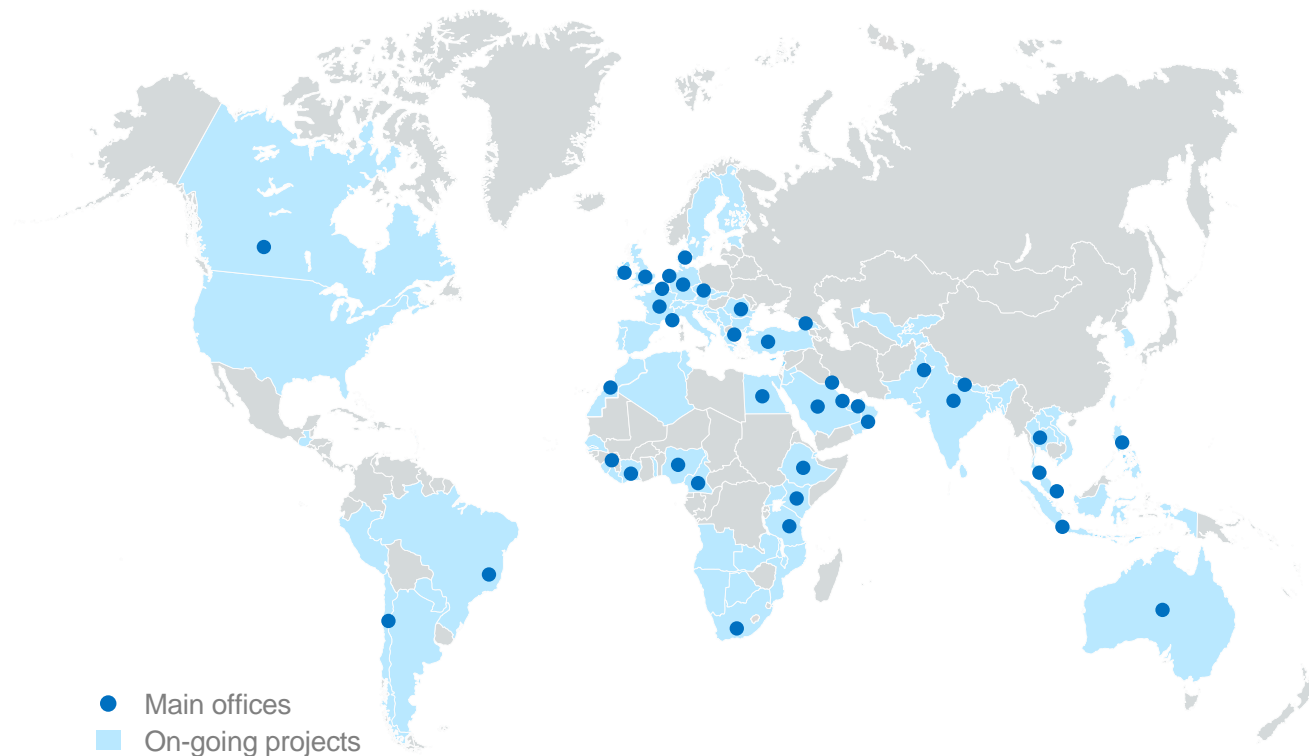
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# Who is Tractebel?



# Key figures



\* source: GSR Q4 2023

**654 M€**

Turnover (2023)



**5,600\***  
employees

**40**  
presence in  
40 countries

**>80**  
projects in over  
80 countries

**0,3**  
High safety standard:  
frequency rate 0,3

# ENR Ranking

**ENR** INTERNATIONAL  
Design Firms  
Engineering News-Record **2024**

Power  
**#9**



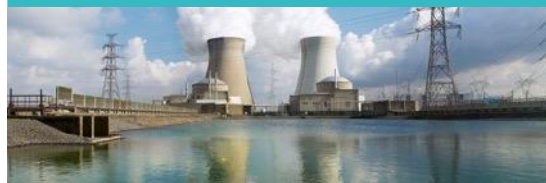
Ports  
& Marine  
Facilities  
**#23**



Hydro Plants  
**#2**



Nuclear  
**#5**



Wind  
**#9**



Transmission  
& Distribution  
**#16**



**Key figures**

**60+ years**

Responsible designer

**28**

Countries

**>1,200**

Nuclear Experts

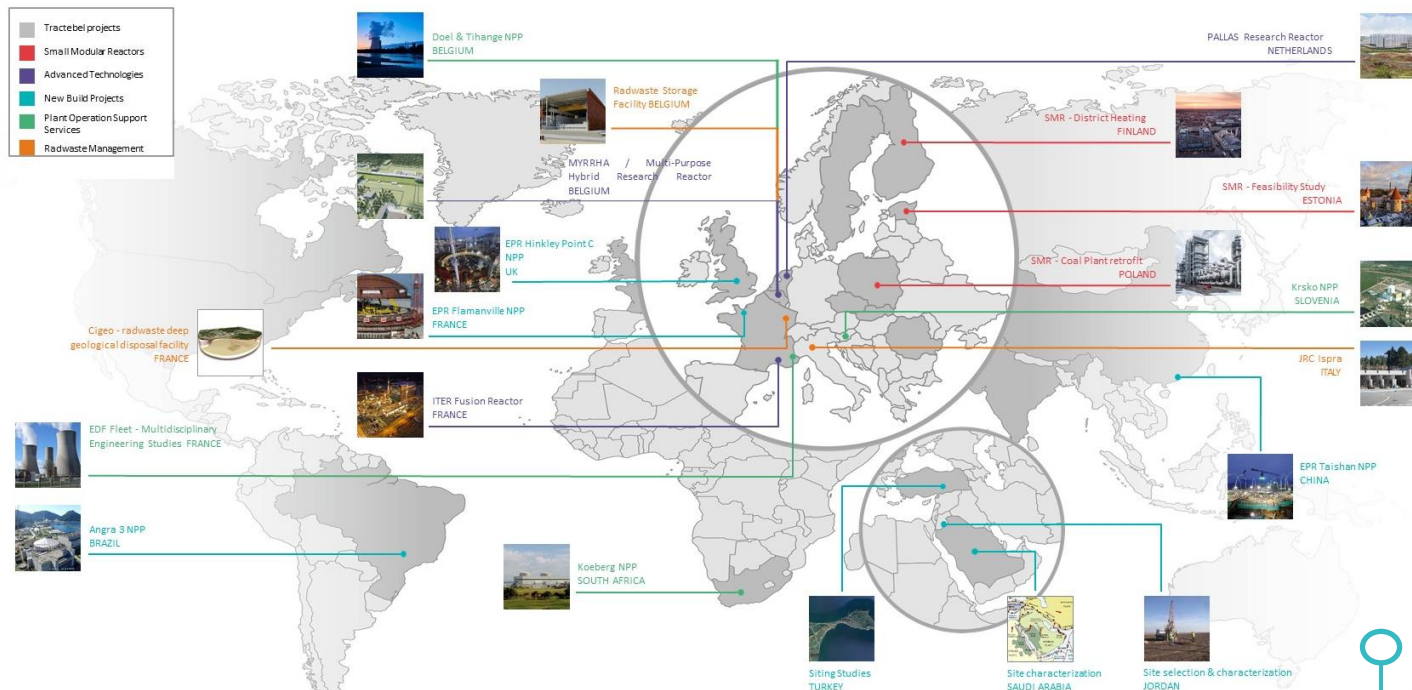
**€220M**

Revenues

# Responsible Designer\* of the Belgian Nuclear Fleet

\*The role of Responsible Designer means that the Conception, Design and Engineering of any modification to the Belgian Nuclear is handled by Tractebel and defended by Tractebel in front of the Safety Authorities

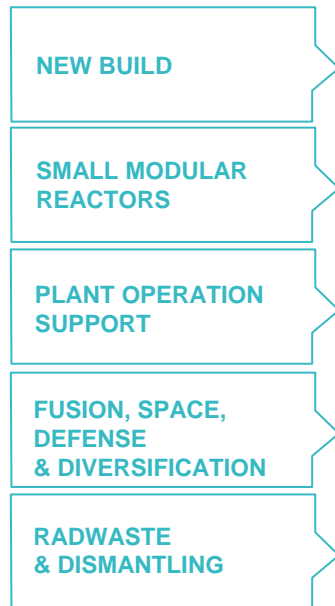
# Worldwide nuclear projects



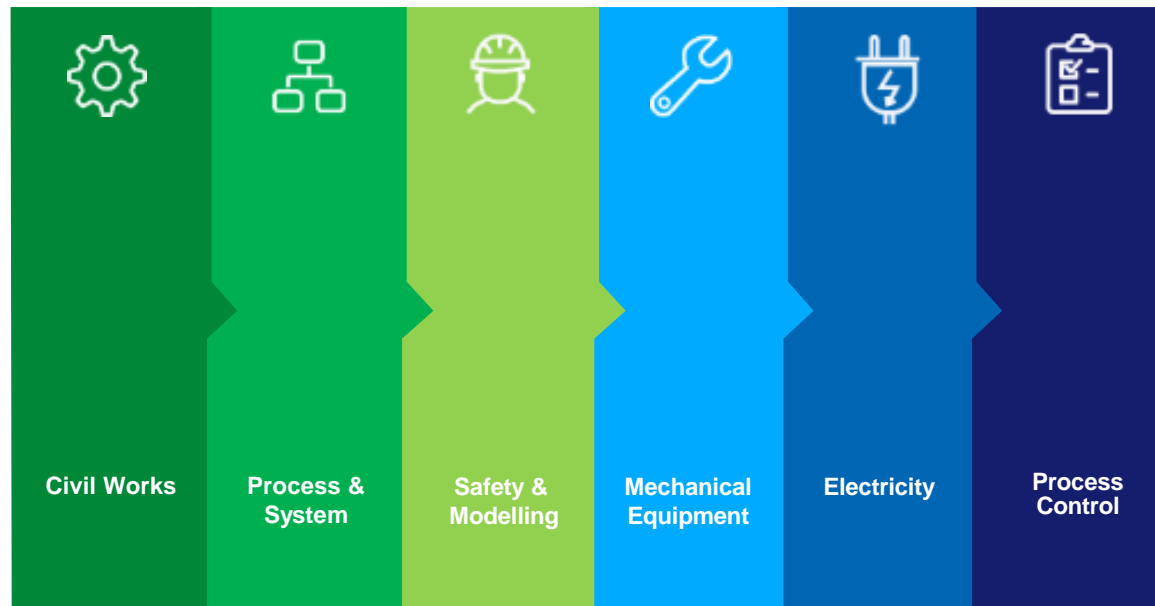
- recent projects in 28 countries
- about 51 clients worldwide
- nuclear expert teams based In B, F, RSA, UK, NL, RO

# Providing integrated nuclear and non-nuclear solutions

## PRODUCTS



## COMPETENCES

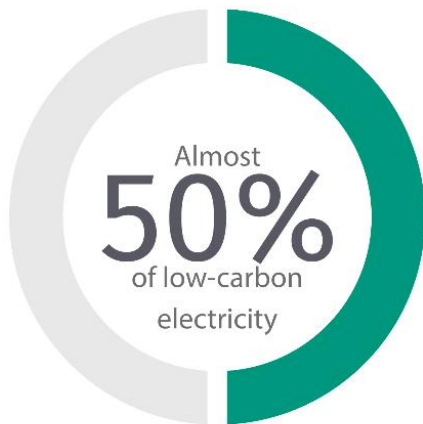




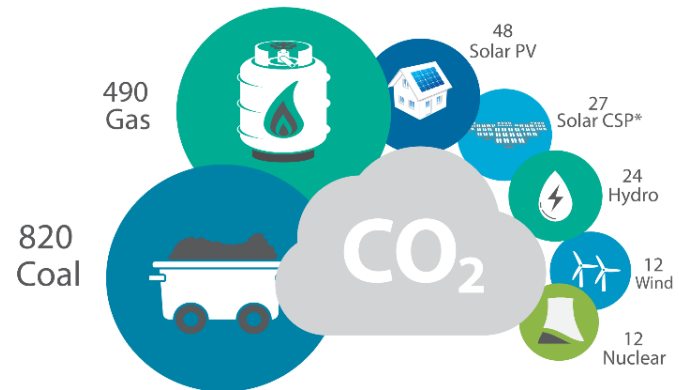
# **Nuclear's contribution to Europe's industry decarbonisation**



# Half of EU's low-carbon electricity



The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by nuclear energy is comparable to that of renewables.



Comparison of average greenhouse gas emissions (grammes CO<sub>2</sub> eq/kWh)

Source: nucleareurope

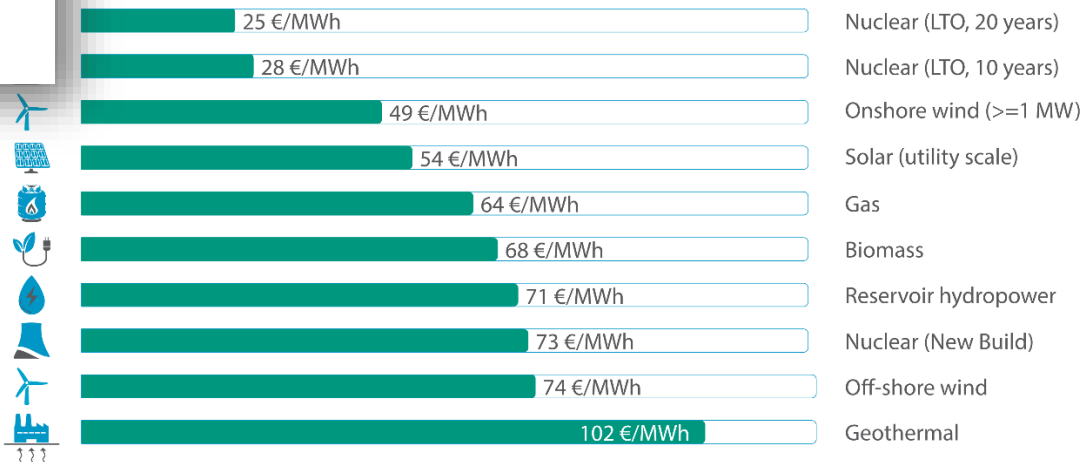
# A reliable & affordable energy

Nuclear produces electricity  
at full power  
**85 to > 90%**  
of the time thus  
enhancing security of supply



© nucleareurope - Source: NEI 2012

Comparison of median LCOE (levelized cost of electricity) for different technologies in Europe (7% discount rate)\*



\*LCOE metrics are not sufficient to characterize the competitiveness of different power generating technologies. A comparison should include system costs, i.e. networks and flexibility costs in addition to the sole production costs.

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# Pink hydrogen

Hydrogen produced from nuclear is:



Low-carbon



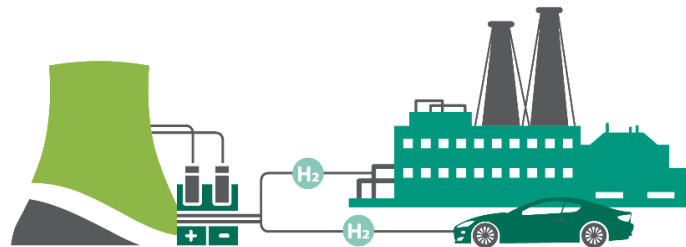
Affordable  
as it can be produced  
constantly



Available 24/7  
as it is not weather  
dependent

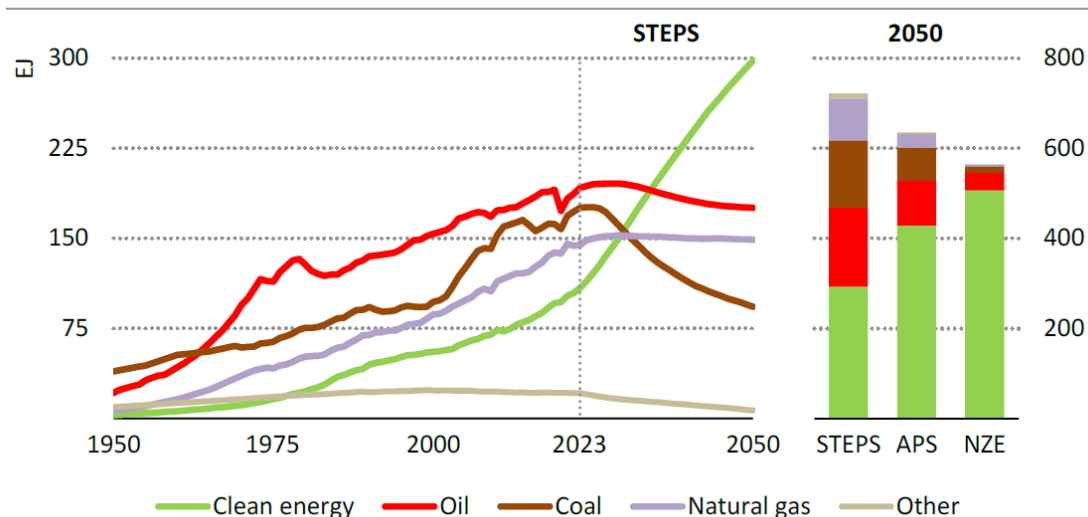
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Nuclear-based hydrogen can help hard-to-decarbonise  
sectors reach their decarbonisation goals



# IEA's Global Energy Forecast

**Figure 1.1** ▶ Global energy mix by scenario to 2050



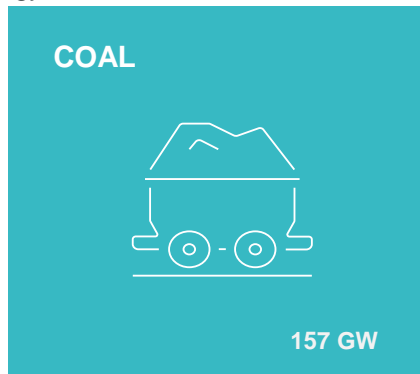
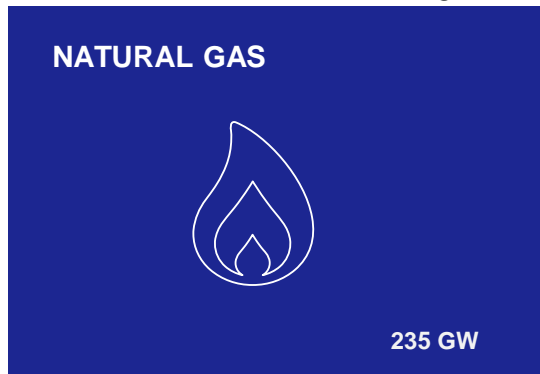
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World Energy Outlook 2024, IEA, October 2024

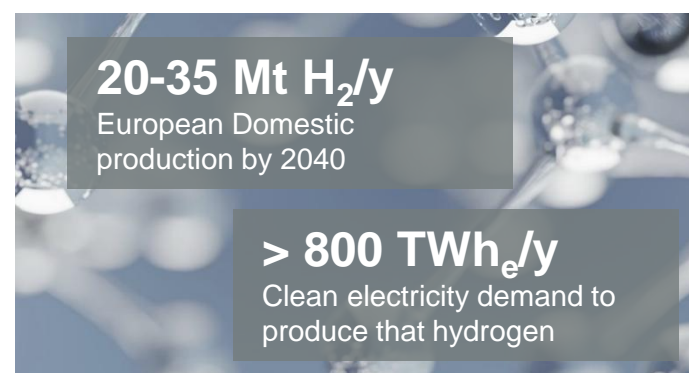
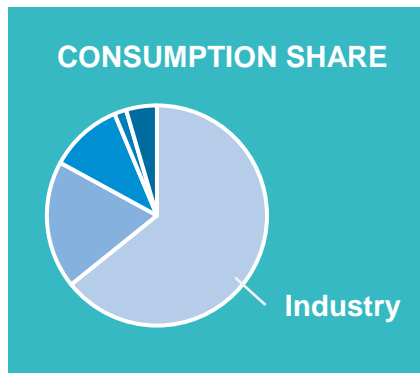
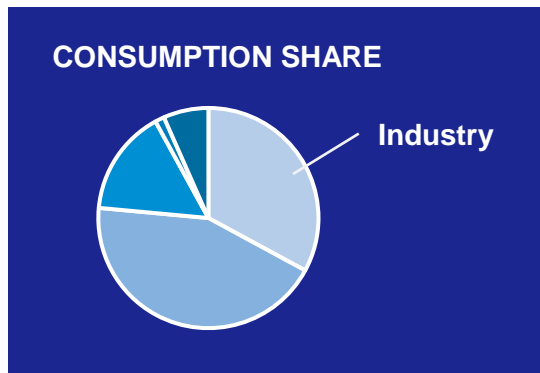
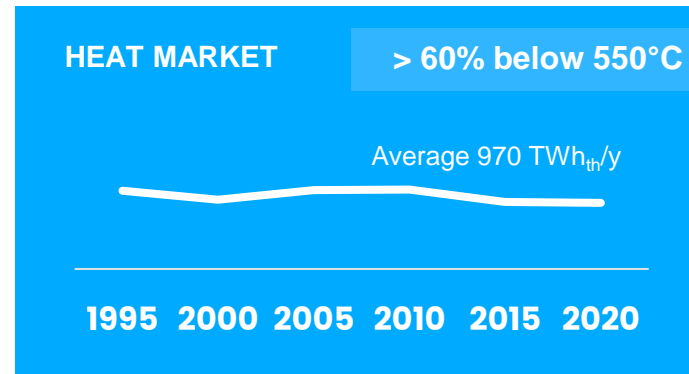
# Focus on the industry

## Potential for industry repowering in Europe

Source: global energy monitor, 2023



Source: IEA, 2020



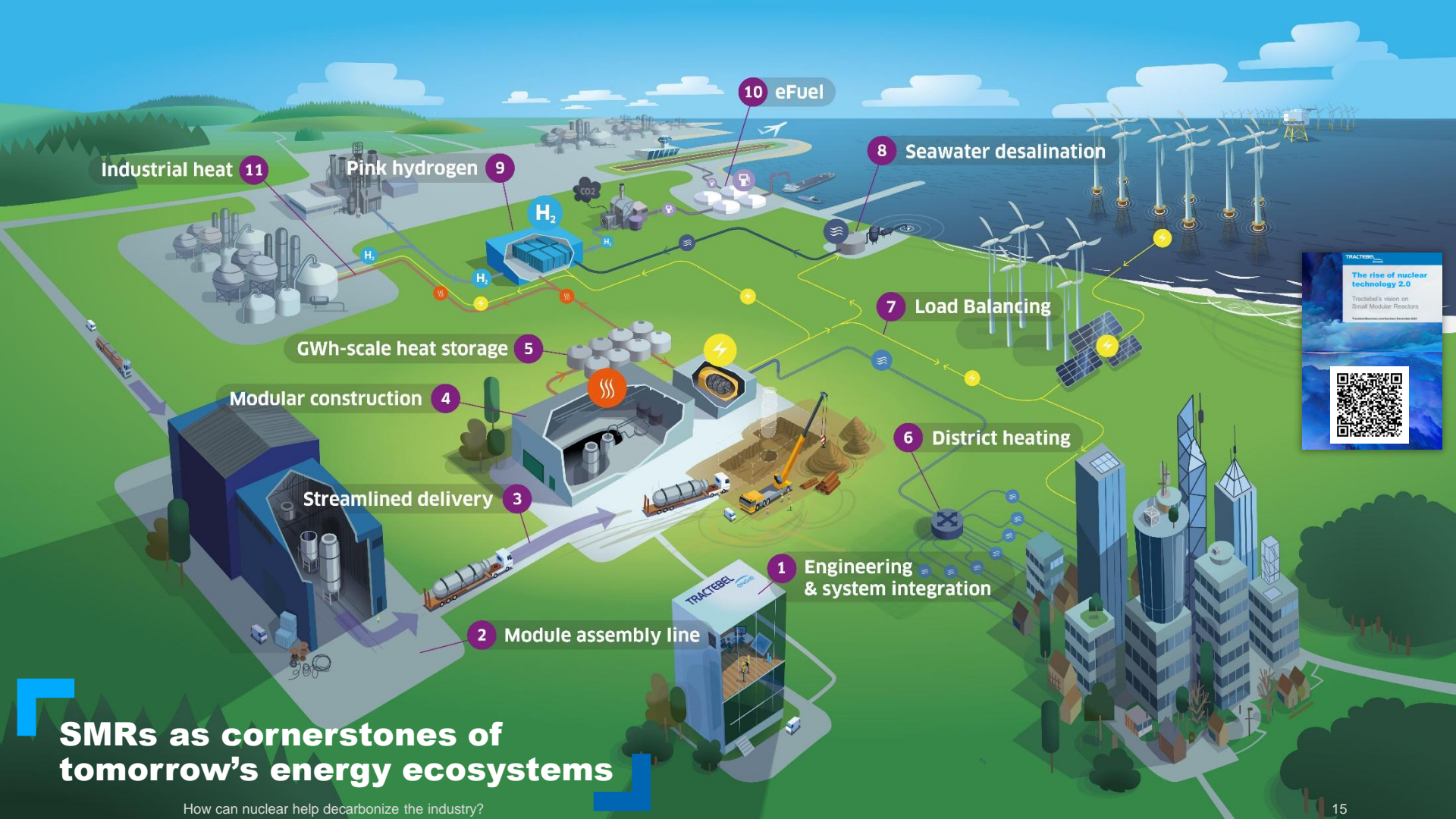
Source: IEA, 2020

Source: IEA – Energy Technology Perspectives 2020



# **Industrial applications of Nuclear Energy**





# Nuclear deployment

Purpose and technology diversity

## SHORT-TERM DEPLOYMENT

### WATER-COOLED REACTORS

Well-established  
technologies

Market initiators by the  
end of 2020s



## DEEP DECARBONIZATION

Heavy industry

Heat and hydrogen  
production



### HIGH- TEMPERATURE REACTORS

## NICHE APPLICATIONS

### MICRO MODULAR REACTORS

New business models

Remote locations, naval  
propulsion



## CLOSED FUEL CYCLE






Reduction of nuclear  
waste

Circularity

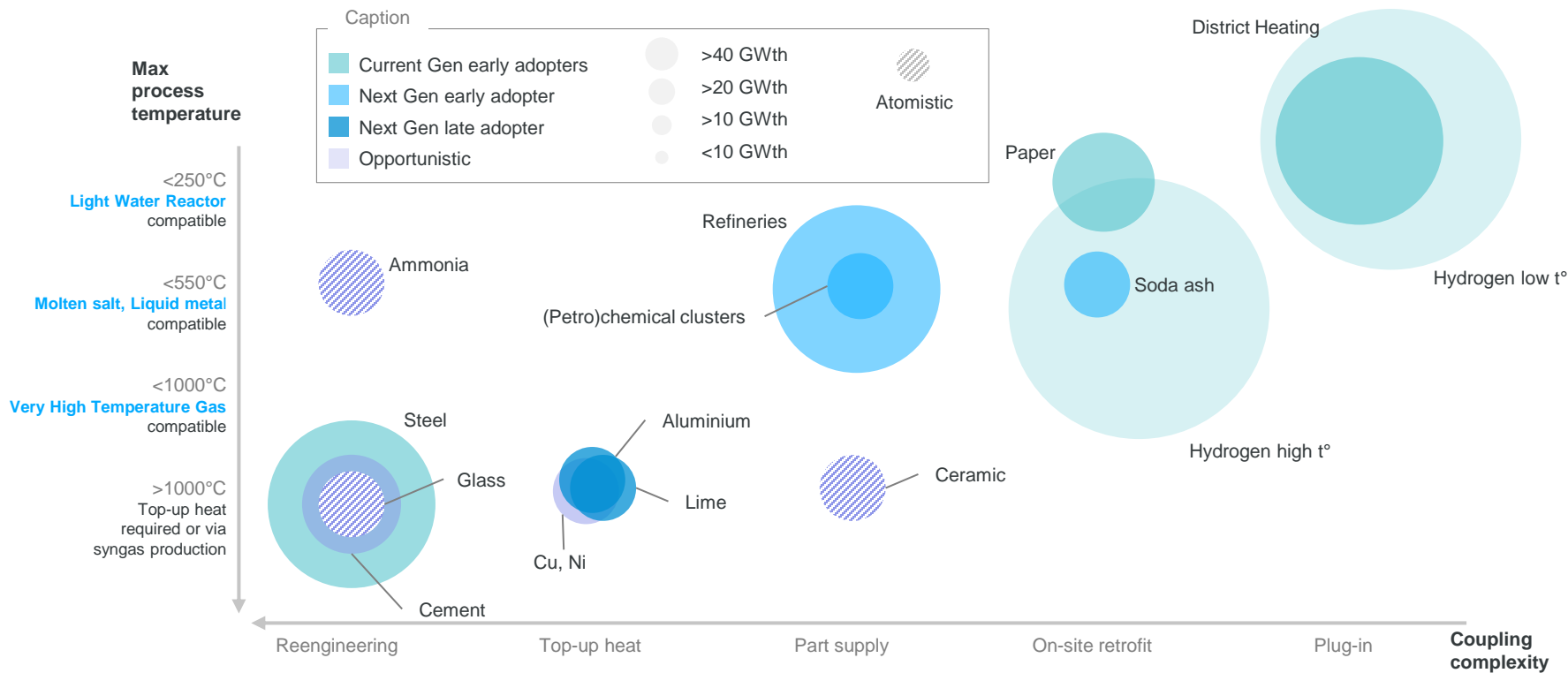


### FAST REACTORS

# Overview of Nuclear technologies

	Light Water Reactors		High Temperature Gas-Cooled Reactors		Liquid Metal Fast Reactors		Molten Salt Reactors	
	✓	Late-2020s (operating in Russia)	✓	Late-2020s (operating in China)	?	Early '30s	✗	Mid-to-late 2030s
	✓	Excellent passive safety						
	?	Possible load-following Low $T_{out}$ & efficiency	✓	Load-following & high $T_{out}$ & efficiency				
	?	Not long-term waste solutions			✓	Closed fuel cycle and transmutation	✓	Prospects for waste solution
	✓	Large experience	?	Some experience	?	Low experience	✗	Very low experience

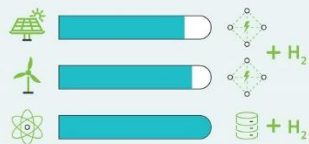
# Compatibility of SMRs with industrial heat



# Powering data centres with SMRs

## Enhanced load-following of a renewable-led SMR energy cluster:

### high sun and wind



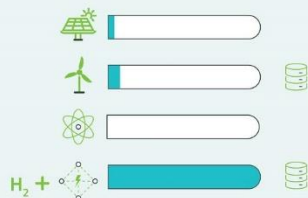
### no sun and high wind



### low sun and wind

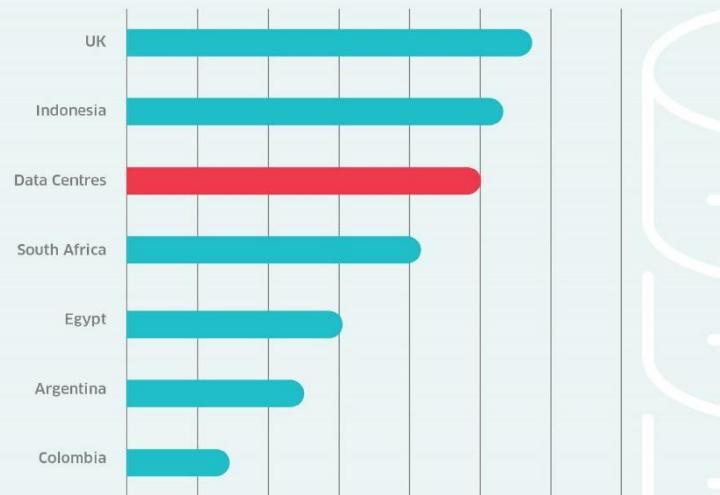


### Hydrogen back-up



## Data Centres use more electricity than entire countries

Domestic electricity consumption of selected countries  
vs. Data Centres in 2020 in TWh

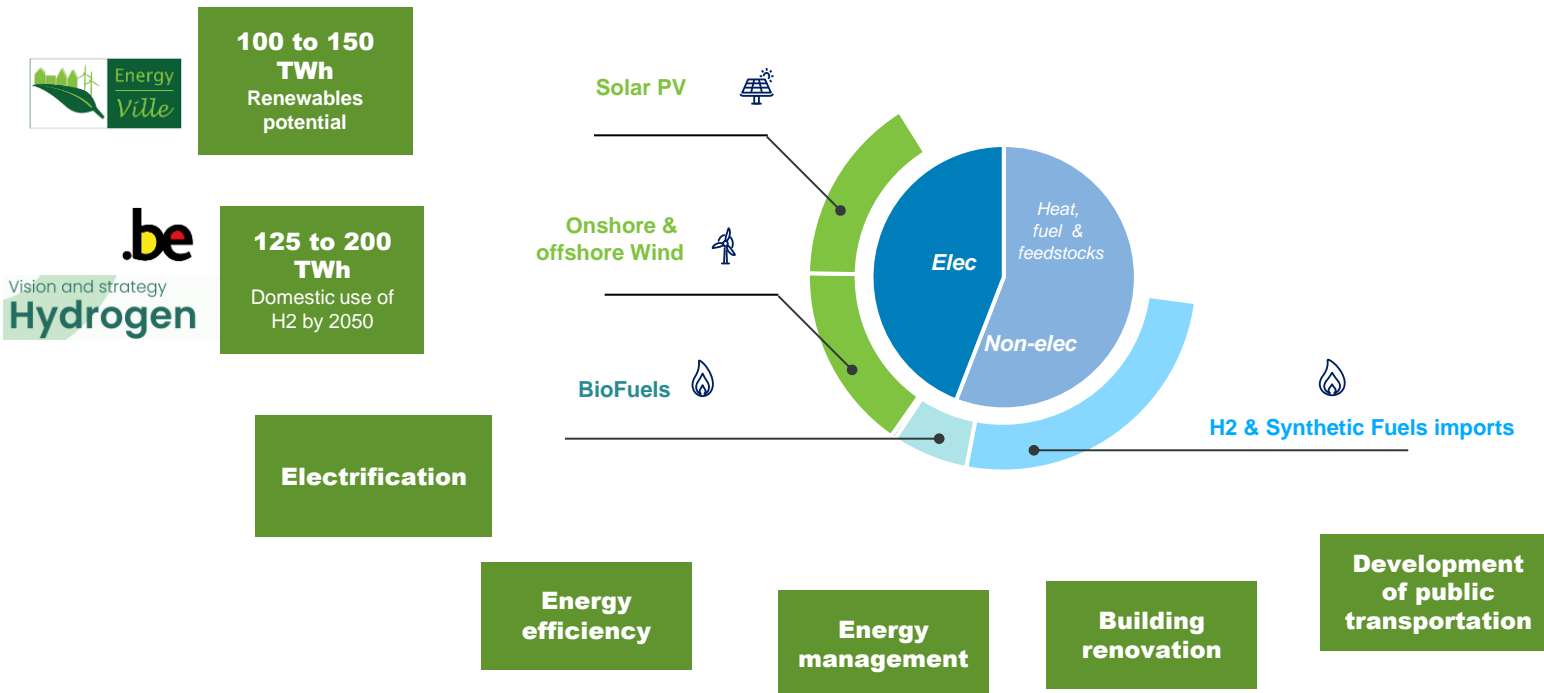




**What does this mean at  
Belgian level?**



# From 2035 onward, Belgian energy landscape will require new solutions



# Vision

## Energy mix objectives and timeframe

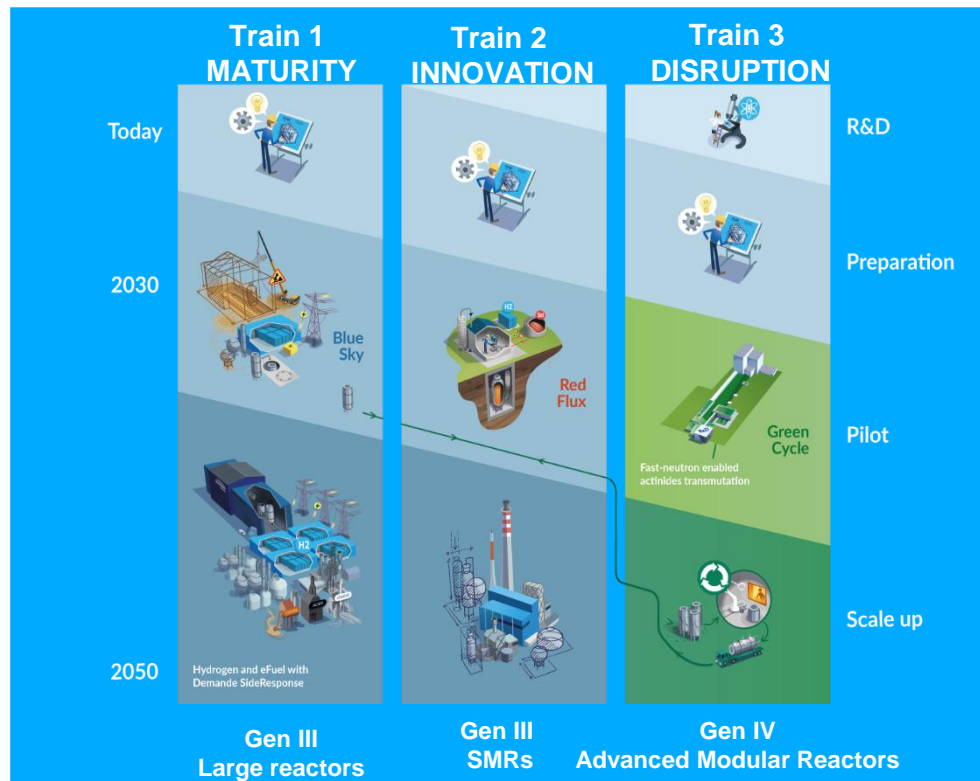
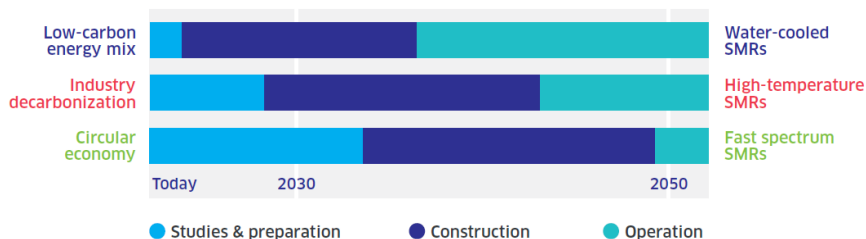
### Credible objectives in Belgium:

2037 : 1.2 GW Gen III (SMR / Large scale)

2040 : Start of Gen IV SMR deployment

2050 : 4-8 GW of new nuclear (new Large + SMRs)

Credible timeline for SMRs in Belgium





# Some references



# Small Modular Reactor Pre-feasibility for Industrial Applications

Pre-feasibility guidance for SMRs as an option to decarbonize two chemical production assets (US & EU)

CLIENT

**WORLD LEADER IN  
CHEMICAL INDUSTRY**

LOCATION

**US & EU**

PERIOD

**2021 – ongoing**

KEY  
TAKEAWAYS

**Possibility for retrofitting existing  
installation**

**High reliability calls for multi-modules**

**Competition with fossil fuels**

**Geopolitics playing a major role**



# Small Modular Reactor Pre-feasibility for Refinery

Pre-feasibility guidance for SMRs as an option to decarbonize all refining processes

CLIENT	<b>WORLD LEADER IN PETROCHEMICAL SECTOR</b>
LOCATION	<b>North America</b>
PERIOD	<b>2024</b>
KEY TAKEAWAYS	<b>Complex installations requiring a holistic understanding and graded approach</b>  <b>Co-location hazards mastered</b>

# SMR for data centers

Preliminary assessment of suitability of SMR solution for data centers

CLIENT **Large multinational corporation**

LOCATION **Europe**

PERIOD **2022**

KEY INSIGHTS **Integration in dedicated micro-grids to guarantee high availability**

**Preference for low-maintenance solutions and reduced footprint**

# EPR Hinkley Point C

CLIENT

**EDF CNEN**

LOCATION

**United Kingdom**

PERIOD

**2011 – 2020:**  
**Basic design and optimization studies**  
**2015 – 2022:**  
**Detailed design (calculations and drawings)**

SERVICES  
PROVIDED

**Design studies and structures  
geometry optimization**  
**Containment, Inner structures,  
APC shield building, HL1/4**  
**Implementation studies**  
**Pool liner studies**  
**3D reinforcement drawings with  
TEKLA software**

# EPR Hinkley Point C

The nuclear island is made up of a common raft in which the electrical buildings, the fuel building, the plane hull and the containment are settled. The internal structures of the Reactor Building are based on the raft.

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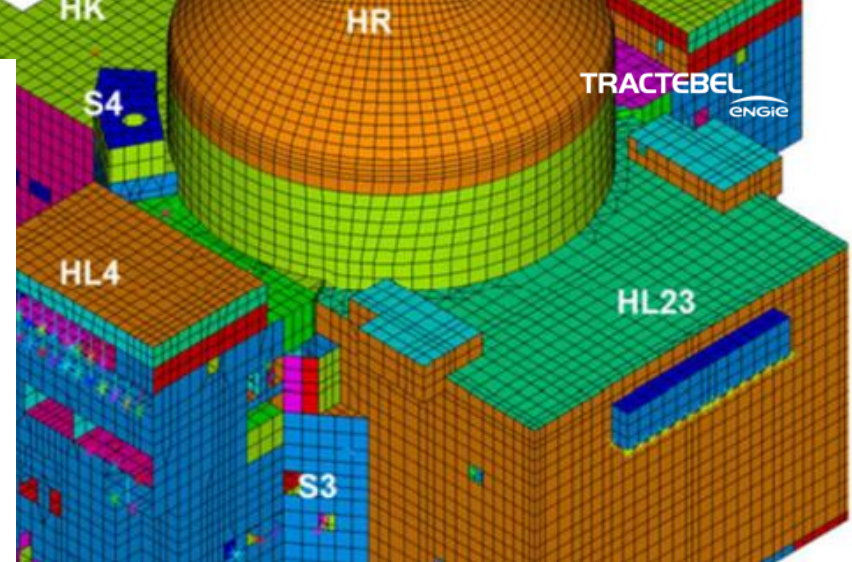
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Dive further into SMRs...

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# Primary Elbows Replacement for the EDF 900 MW Fleet

As part of the strategy to extend the life of the PWR fleet, EDF must replace a set of sensitive primary pipe components whose mechanical justification is not established beyond the 4th Periodic Safety Review.

Tractebel is part of ENGIE consortium with ENDEL to propose an integrated solution including engineering and site operations.

CLIENT

**EDF**

LOCATION

**France**

PERIOD

**2018 - 2026**

SERVICES  
PROVIDED

**Site survey and design studies**

**Lay-out & shielding studies;  
calculation of primary loops**

**Planification of activities during  
outages; Tools development**

**Qualification of cutting,  
decontamination, welding & grinding  
methods**

