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## Nuclear Power Plants under Construction Strongest in 25 years – but not fast enough

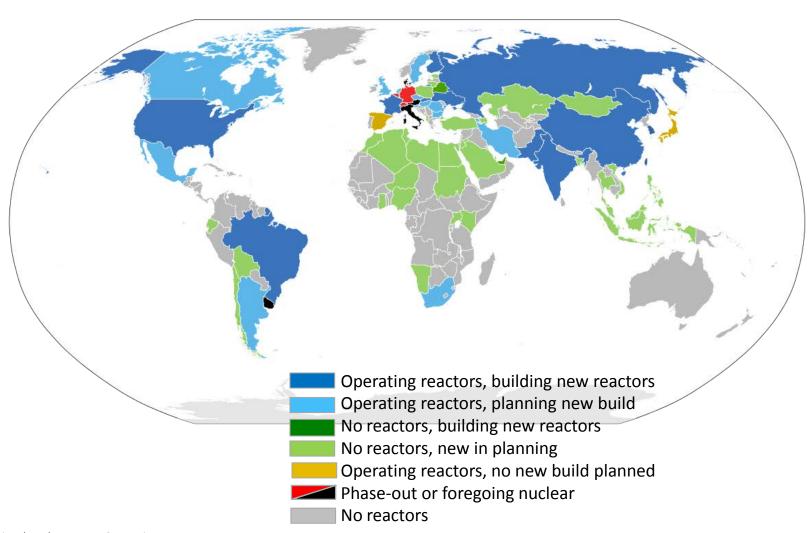
Location	No. of units	Net capacity (MW)
Argentina	1	25
Belarus	2	2 218
Brazil	1	1 245
China	23	22 738
Finland	1	1 600
France	1	1 630
India	6	3 907
Japan	2	1 325
Korea	4	5 360
Pakistan	2	630
Russia	9	7 371
Slovak Republic	2	880
Ukraine	2	1 900
United Arab Emirates	3	4 035
United States	5	5 633
Other: Chinese Taipei	2	2 600
TOTAL:	71	68 136

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Source: IAEA May 2015

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#### Global Nuclear Status





## Nuclear energy must more than double worldwide

"The contributions of nuclear energy - providing valuable base-load electricity, supplying important ancillary services to the grid and contributing to the security of energy supply - must be fully acknowledged"

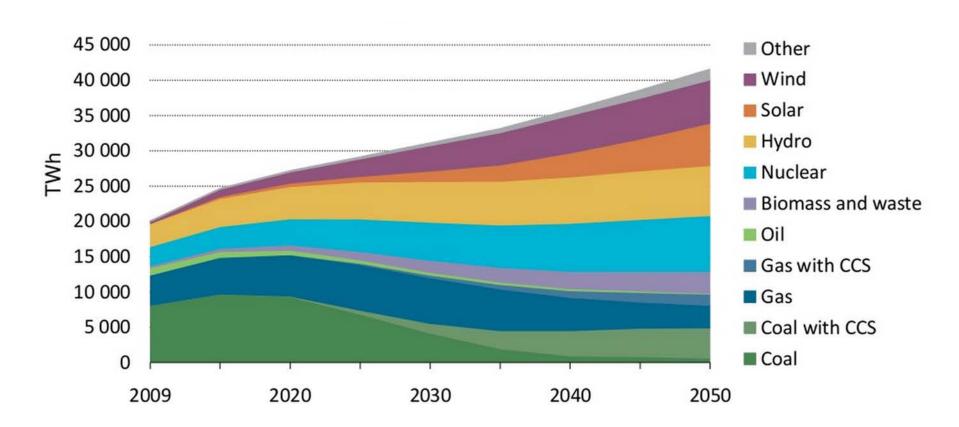
"Global capacity (of nuclear) must more than double, with nuclear supplying 17% of global electricity generation in 2050, to meet the IEA 2 Degree Scenario for the most effective and efficient means of limiting global temperature rise to the internationally agreed maximum."

International Energy Agency



#### IEA 2°C Scenario:

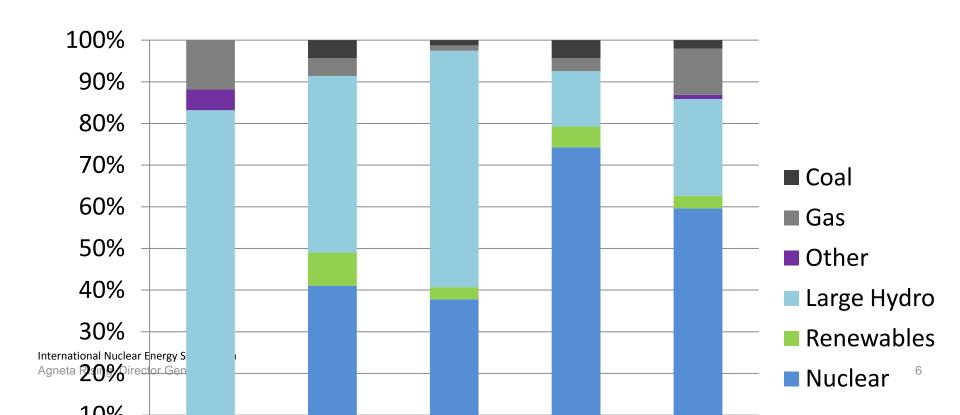
# Nuclear is Required to Provide the Largest Contribution to Global Electricity in 2050



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# Nuclear is an important part of the low carbon solution





# Governments investing in nuclear: important long-term factors

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# Public acceptance Communicating radiation home truths

Radiation health impacts of nuclear accidents have been small. Real consequences have been made worse by fear-mongers.



#### **UNSCEAR** on Chernobyl:

- 30 workers dead from radiation
- Increase in thyroid cancers among children. Few fatalities
- No demonstrated increase in other cancers in public

"However there were widespread psychological reactions to the accident, which were due to fear of the radiation, not to the actual radiation doses"



"A new Greenpeace report has revealed that the full consequences of the Chernobyl disaster could top a quarter of a million cancer cases and nearly 100,000 fatal cancers."



# Fukushima - the real impact from radiation exposure

The doses to the general public, both those incurred during the first year and estimated for their lifetimes, are generally low or very low.

No discernible increased incidence of radiation-related health effects are expected among exposed members of the public or their descendants.

Source: UNSCEAR, United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation



#### Public support can return

#### 1979 Three Mile Island, United States

Since TMI public support has gradually increased, so there is now a clear majority in favour of nuclear.

#### 1986 Chernobyl, Ukraine

Public support for nuclear has returned in Ukraine, driven by priority to get fuel security and clean environment.

#### 2011 Fukushima, Japan

Public support can be regained. Approval for reactor restart will demonstrate industry and regulators have learnt and improved.

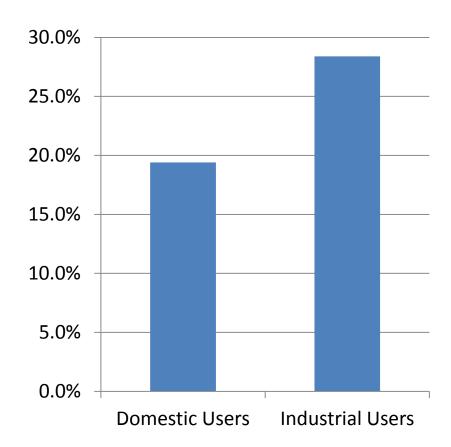


#### Nuclear provides fuel security

# ¥3.6 trillion (\$35.2 billion)

Cost of fossil fuel imports to compensate for idled nuclear reactors in fiscal 2013

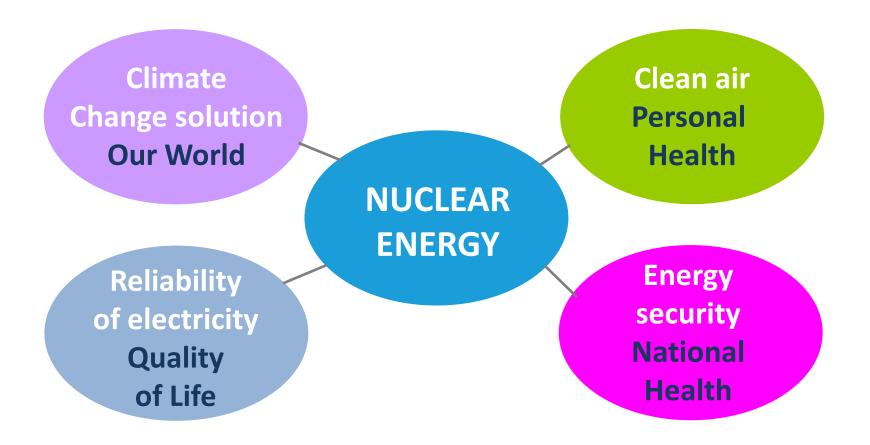
#### **Tariff Increase 2010-2013**



Percentage Increase in Electricity Tariffs from Fiscal 2010-2013

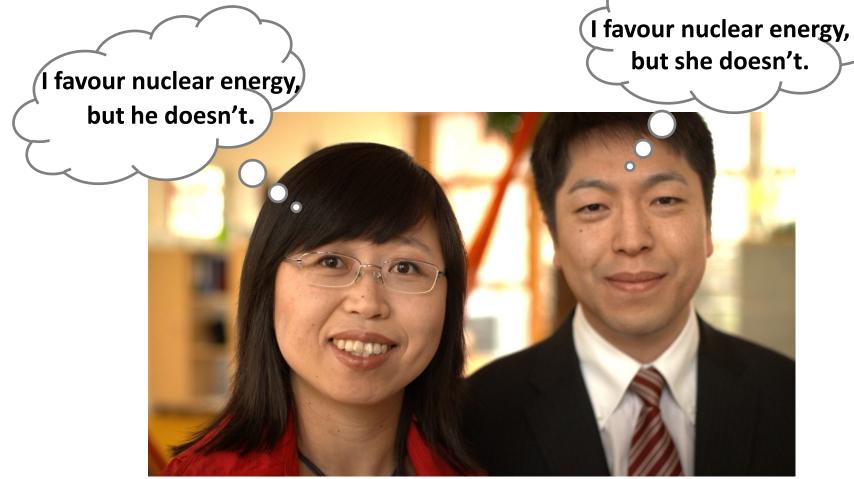


## Benefits of Nuclear Energy Values from different perspectives



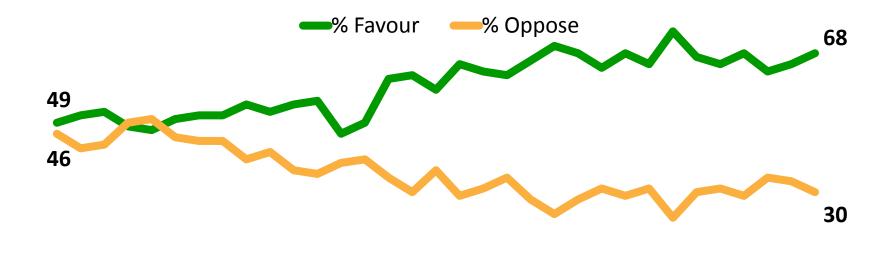


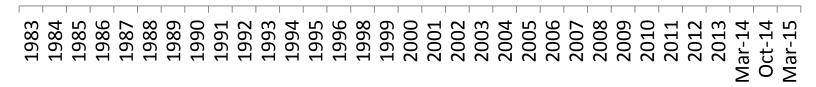
## Spiral of Silence: the Perception Gap





#### Public Opinion in United States



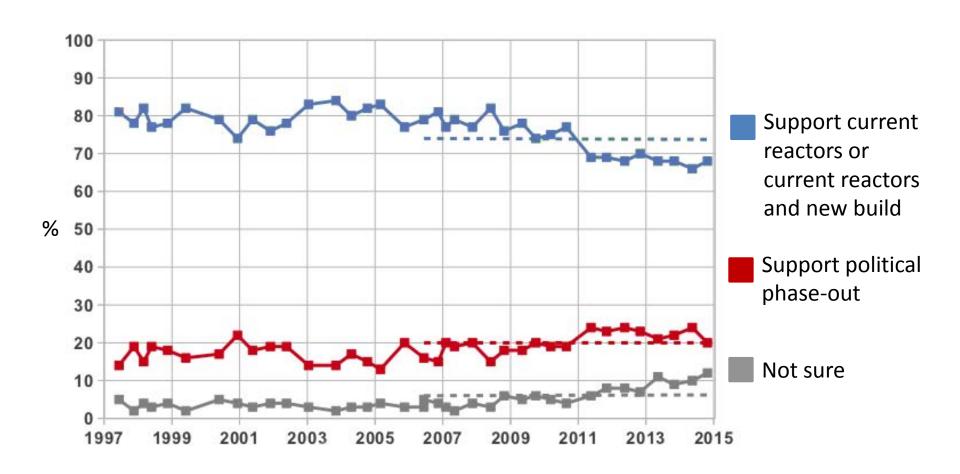


Overall, do you strongly favour, somewhat favour, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the use of nuclear energy as one of the ways to provide electricity in the United States?

Bisconti Research, Inc. with GfK Roper and Quest Global Research



#### Public Opinion in Sweden





## Swedish Policy Journey From Phase Out to Support

- 1980 Swedish Nuclear Referendum
- Three options for a nuclear phase-out.
- No pro-nuclear option was offered.
- Government introduced policy banning new nuclear build and a decision to phase-out existing reactors by 2010.
- Policy cancelled in 2010.
- Only two of twelve units had been closed.





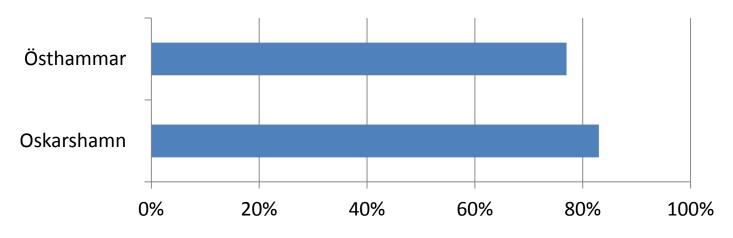
# Swedish Public Journey From fear of waste to Hosts of Repository

- Nuclear waste disposal is portrayed as insoluble.
- Deep geological repositories are an accepted technical solution, supported by scientific studies, for used fuel and high-level waste disposal
- Support from politicians and local communities is needed for construction of repositories.



#### **Swedish Repository**

- Feasibility studies selected two candidate locations,
   Oskarshamn and Östhammar.
- Transparent dialogue with local communities and other stakeholders was key to build support.





#### Swedish Repository

- The two communities competed to be the host of the repository.
- Östhammar was chosen, Oskarshamn received funding to compensate for missing out on the opportunities of hosting the repository.



Östhammar Repository mock-up: SKB



# What is important for a government to return to nuclear

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## Gaining Support for Japanese Restarts

- Understand and acknowledge people's concerns. Do not dismiss them. Build trust to build credibility.
- Address the emotive issues before trying to present facts on why restart should happen and why it is safe to do so.





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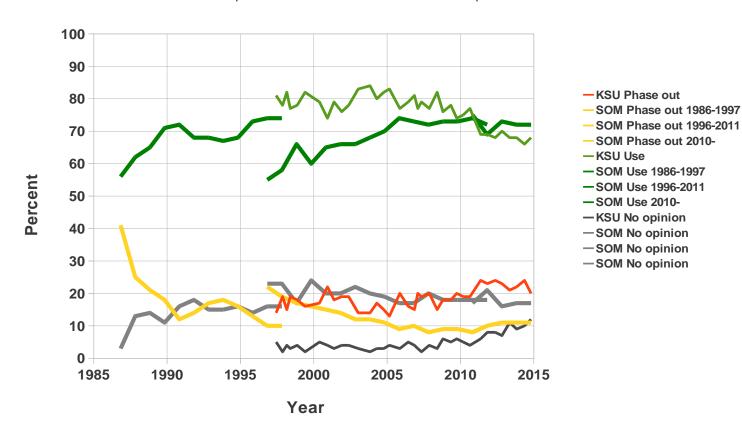
- Explain how the restart will benefit them.
- Involve men and women, young and old.
- The people representing the nuclear industry should be as diverse as the communities they are meeting.





#### Analysgruppen (KSU) vs SOM - Use or phase out

Personal opinion about the future use of nuclear power in Sweden



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## Rebuilding the public trust

- Two-way communication
- Specialists talk with the concerned people
- Go step by step









## Report Conclusions and Key Messages

- NEA countries' nuclear plants are safe to continue operation.
- Safety enhancements related to extreme events and severe accidents were identified and are being implemented.
- Provisions for dealing with and managing radiological emergencies, onsite and offsite, must be planned, tested and regularly reviewed.
- Nuclear safety professionals have a responsibility to hold each other accountable to effectively implement nuclear safety practices.
- The Fukushima accident revealed significant human, organisational and cultural challenges especially ensuring the independence, technical capability and transparency of the regulatory authority.



## 2015 NEA/IEA Technology Roadmap

#### **Key Roadmap Recommendations**

- Governments should recognize the value of low-carbon capacity.
- R&D is needed to support long-term operation.
- Industry needs to optimise constructability of Gen III designs.
- Accelerate development of SMRs.
- Support development of one or two Gen IV reactors.
- Demonstrate nuclear desalination or hydrogen production.
- Invest in environmentally sustainable uranium mining.
- Continue cooperation and discussions on international fuel services.
- Establish policies and sites for long-term storage and disposal.

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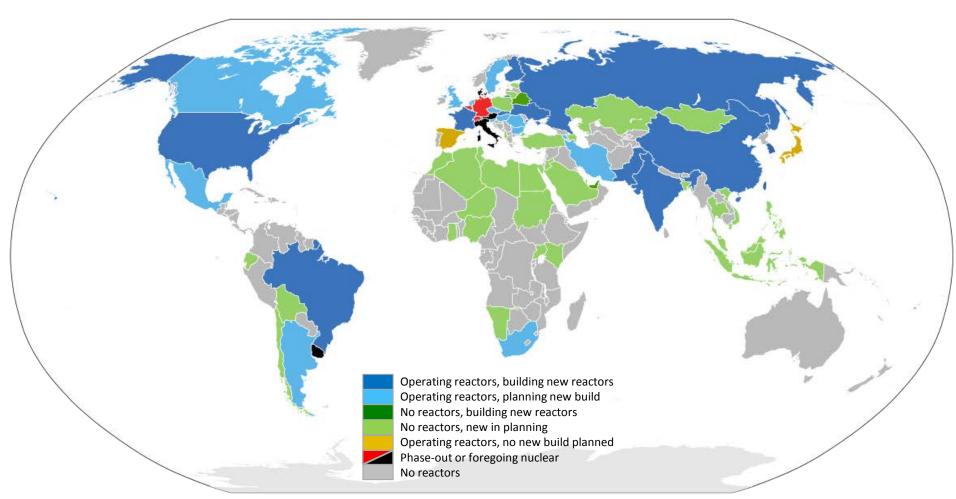




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## Global View of Nuclear Power Today



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