The World Nuclear Industry Status Report

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Source: IAEA-PRIS, MSC, 2015

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Country	Units	MWe (net)	Construction Start	Grid Connection	Delayed
China	23	22,738	2009-2015	2015-2021	20
Russia	8	6,262	1983-2009	2015-2019	8
India	6	3,907	2002-2011	2015-2016	2
USA	5	5,633	1972-2013	2015-2020	5
South Korea	4	5,360	2008-2013	2015-2018	4
UAE	3	4,035	2012-2014	2017-2019	?
Belarus	2	2,218	2013-2014	2019-2020	?
Pakistan	2	630	2011	2016-2017	2
Slovakia	2	880	1985	2015-2016	2
Ukraine	2	1,900	1986-1987	2019	2
Argentina	1	25	2014	2018	?
Brazil	1	1,245	2010	2018	1
Finland	1	1,600	2005	2018	1
France	1	1,600	2007	2017	1
Total	61	58,033	1972-2015	2015-2021	49

Reactors « Under Construction » in the World (1 April 2015)

Source: IAEA-PRIS, MSC, 2015

Operating Costs and Markets

- Market Prices Barely Cover Costs
- **Belgium**: GDF-Suez lost court case against fuel tax --> Now "considers all options" for its 7 reactors
- Sweden: at least 3 reactors operated at loss in 2 of 4 past years --> New 17% tax increase might lead to earlier shutdowns
- Forcing Shutdowns
- Germany: E.ON decides to shut down Grafenrheinfeld in May 2015, --> seven months earlier than required by law
- USA: Five shutdown decisions, incl. 2 reactors licensed to operate beyond 2030

Traditional Utilities Under Pressure

The 20 largest European energy utilities lost over half of the $\in 1$ trillion stock market value since 2008, some a lot more.

Europe's electricity providers face an existential threat. The Economist, London, October 2013

Utility business models are threatened by the dramatic growth in the deployment of technologies that generate electricity onsite or at the distribution grid level.

Navigant Research, Boulder, USA, August 2014

A new technological paradigm in electricity and the end of the reign of the large-scale utilities.

Institute for Public Policy Research, London, September 2014

The French Case: Nuclear Companies in Trouble

EDF (2014)

- 4.5%/a operating cost increase 2007-2012
 - → Loss of \in 1.5 billion in 2012
 - \rightarrow Need for significant tariff increases
- Stock value plunged >70% (up to 85%) since 2007
- High debt €34.2bn for turnover of €73bn

AREVA (2014)

- Loss of \in 4.8bn (almost \in 8bn in 4 years = annual turnover)
- High debt €5.8bn for turnover of €8.3bn
- Stock value plunged by > 85% since 2007
- Standard & Poor's downgraded AREVA shares to BB+ ("junk") in November 2014 and again to BB- in March 2015

Sources: Company websites; Standard & Poor's

Stock Price Development EDF vs. CAC40

Source: <u>http://finance.yahoo.com</u>, 13 March 2015

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Stock Price Development AREVA vs. CAC40

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Final Energy Consumption in France in 2013 69% Fossil Fuels, 18% Nuclear

Source: French Ministry of Ecology, Energy and Sustainable Development, "Bilan Energétique de la France 2013", 2014; MSC 2015

Nuclear vs. Renewable Energy Development

Source: IAEA-PRIS, EPIA, GWEC 2014

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Sources: BP, IAEA-PRIS, MSC, 2014

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Renewables Share of Global Electricity Generating Capacity Additions

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Source: BP 2014

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Concluding Remarks

- Global nuclear industry remains on the decline, losing share of electricity market.
- Two countries produce half the world's nuclear electricity, in the EU France produces half the total.
- Nuclear construction dominated by China, three quarters of all projects delayed.
- Increasing pressure on operators: aging reactors becoming more expensive to operate, just as market price of electricity is falling, client base and consumption are shrinking.
- Investment in new renewable energy far exceeds that of nuclear leading to significantly higher newly installed capacity.
- Since signing of Kyoto in 1997, power generation added from solar and nuclear is similar, while wind is 4 times greater.
- Traditional utilities are facing rough times: "nuclear champions" in trouble with high debts, degraded credit-rating, destroyed share value, upcoming large upgrading *and* decommissioning costs.

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About the Author

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