





### The Nuclear4 Climate initiative

Valerie Faudon Executive Director French Nuclear Society To limit the temperature increase below 2°C in 2050..

## ..at least 80% of the world's electricity must be low-carbon by 2050.

### Today, it is about 30%

2013 world electricity generation by source



Source: IPCC WG1 2014

This is a massive global challenge that requires the use of all available low-carbon energy technologies.



Major progress in energy efficiency will not be sufficient: the electricity demand is expected to double by 2050

By 2050:

the world's population will be around 9.6 billion

## Today:

 1.2 billion people do not have access to electricity

Source: UN. World Bank

 2.8 billion use wood or other biomass products for cooking and heating

### Electricity demand and share of electricity (IEA)



✓ Strong demand from non-OECD countries

 ✓ Increased share of electricity in the overall energy mix

Source: AIE-AEN Technology roadmap 2015

# The fight against climate change should not jeopardize development



The IPCC identifies three types of carbon-free electricity: renewables, nuclear and CCS (Carbon Capture & Storage).



# The amount of CO2 emitted by nuclear energy is comparable to that of renewables



# 70% of the carbon budget has been consumed

Once released, CO2 remains in the atmosphere for a long time.

Carbon budget: cumulative CO2 emissions that must not be exceeded if we are to contain average global warming to 2°C.





#### We cannot wait for future technologies

they will contribute in proportion to their availability.



Nuclear energy is an available, low-carbon and efficient industrial solution, that has been proven efficient

438 nuclear reactors in operation, nuclear The amount of emissions of CO<sub>eq</sub> that energy is available in 30 countries. nuclear avoids in Europe is almost equivalent to that from the car fleets Today, only 6 countries above 80% goal of lowof Germany, France, the carbon electricity, 4 of them have nuclear. UK and Italy. Sweden 40% nuclear Switzerland 40% nuclear France 75% nuclear 2 nuclear reactors Brazil Tonnes of CO, avoided by nuclear per year in EU ~ 500 Mt/y Source: Eurostat, 2014

Since 1971 nuclear power has avoided the release of the equivalent of **2** years of CO**2** emissions. By 2040, nuclear power should save the equivalent of **4** years of CO**2** emissions.

Source: IAEA, IEA

Source: WEO 2014

Very few scenarios enable to limit global warming below 2° without nuclear



IPCC WG3: only 8 scenarios out of 1 200 show limitation below 2° and nuclear phase-out.

"There is no credible way to climate stabilization that does not include an important role for nuclear energy....we cannot afford to turn our back on any technology".

Open letter from environmentalists, Washington Post, Oct 2013

Every country must have access to the largest portfolio of low-carbon technologies, including nuclear

# Most scenarios limiting the temperature increase to 2°C show a very significant contribution of nuclear energy



IEA Scenario 2DS: Installed capacity by country

Source: IEA technology roadmap, Jan 2015

- ✓ Gross nuclear capacity should double by 2050, from 400 GWe to 930 GWe.
- ✓ Share of nuclear power in the global energy mix to increase from 11% to 17%.
- Stability in OECD (long time operations), and strong growth in BRICs & Middle East: 70+ reactors being constructed WW

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## Access to climate funding mechanisms

#### **UNFCC Kyoto Protocol**

Nuclear energy **discriminated against** within the Marrakesh Accords (2002)



 « Parties.. should refrain from using credits (from CDM<sup>1</sup> or JI<sup>2</sup> projects) generated from nuclear facilities to meet their commitments<sup>3</sup> » -

<sup>1</sup> Clean Development Mechanisms
<sup>2</sup> Joint Implementation projects
<sup>3</sup> emission targets agreed under the Kyoto protocols



An estimated investment in nuclear of USD 4.4 trillion needed WW by 2050\*, Incl. USD 700 Bn in the EU

Source: OECD-AEN, 2DS

UNFCCC Protocols must allow countries who wish to use nuclear energy to have access to climate change financing, as is the case for all other low-carbon energy sources.



A joint statement in ICAPP, Nice, May 4, 2015



### **"WE PROUDLY BELIEVE THAT NUCLEAR ENERGY IS A KEY PART OF THE SOLUTION IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE"**



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