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Canada's Nuclear Industry Gathers in Ottawa

In February 2012, over 650 industry, government and other representatives gathered in Ottawa for CNA's annual conference and trade show, themed *Leadership Through Innovation*. Productive, informative and positive discussions were held on how our industry is leveraging lessons learned from Fukushima, and how innovations in research and technology can lead to high-skilled jobs and growth in Canada and abroad.

Highlights:

- The 2012 *Ian McRae Award* presentation to Mr. Gerald Grandey, former CEO of Cameco Corp.
- Overview from Tom Mitchell, Chair of the WANO Fukushima Response Commission.
- The Honourable Rob Norris, Saskatchewan's Minister Responsible for Innovation, announcement of a multi-year agreement to provide funding for the province's new \$30 million Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation.
- Patrick Lamarre on the future opportunities for SNC-Lavalin Nuclear following their acquisition of the CANDU Reactor Division of AECL.
- Panel discussions on innovative ways of communicating science, and stimulating nuclear innovation to continue powering Canada and the world.



Photos and full-length videos from #cnagm2012 are online on the [TalkNUclear Google+ page](#) and [TalkNUclear.tv](#)

NU Energy on the Hill Day

In October 2011, over 40 members of Canada's nuclear community descended on Parliament Hill to say YES to nuclear.

Members of North American-Young Generation in Nuclear (NA-YGN) and Women-in-Nuclear (WiN) Canada from several CNA member companies met with Members of Parliament, Senators, as well as

Welcome to the NUze

Introducing the inaugural issue of **NUze**, the **CNA newsletter**. Distributed quarterly, the NUze features updates on recent events and important developments affecting the Canadian nuclear industry. The NUze is distributed to members of the nuclear industry, politicians, policy makers, members of the media and key influencers. If you know someone who would like to receive the NUze, please forward it to them and they can opt-in by emailing TalkNUclear@cna.ca.

Please enjoy the NUze.

AHMED'S MOTHER PRAYED FOR A MIRACLE TO TREAT HIS BRAIN TUMOUR.

IT CAME FROM CANADA.

AHMED'S BRAIN TUMOUR WAS SUCCESSFULLY TREATED WITH RADIATION FROM ISOTOPES PRODUCED RIGHT HERE IN CANADA. CANADIAN ISOTOPES FROM CANADA'S NUCLEAR INDUSTRY ARE USED IN OVER 50,000 PROCEDURES WORLDWIDE EVERY DAY. 5,000 OF THOSE PROCEDURES RIGHT HERE IN CANADA. THESE ISOTOPES ARE VITAL IN EMERGING NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGIES AGAINST DISEASES JUST LIKE AHMED'S.

AND THAT MAKES THEM VITAL TO ALL OF US.

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Ministerial staffers and officials. Representatives from all parties were pleased to speak one-on-one with our women and youth, who provided a fresh, first-hand perspective on their roles as engineers, environmental officers, emergency management specialists, to name a few.

A closing reception was hosted by Minister of Labour, Lisa Raitt, who encouraged participants to “keep out there and keep talking,” and added:

“When you throw the stereotype out the window and you see that there are women in nuclear and that there are young people choosing to go into the field because it’s a good solid field, it really does turn everything on its head — because we believe in the future of this industry.”

Visit TalkNUclear.ca for more info on NU Energy on the Hill, including photos, videos and more quotes from participants.

CNA Regulatory and Government Relations Update

In January, [the CNA was a proud intervener](#) at the CNSC hearings for Cameco Corp’s Port Hope Conversion Facility, Fuel Manufacturing Facility and Blind River Refinery. On February 29, the CNSC announced its decision to renew the Port Hope Conversion Facility license for a period of five years.

Also on February 29, the CNA appeared with mining industry representatives before the House of Commons Standing Committee for Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities. The [CNA’s statement](#) outlined the economic and social benefits associated with the uranium mining industry.

On March 13, the House of Commons Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development released its report on recommended improvements to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA). The CNA has been active in this review process and issued a public statement on the report, [encouraging the Government to consider all recommendations](#).

Upcoming Events

- [DSEA Breakfast with Tom Mitchell](#), President and CEO, Ontario Power Generation, on OPG’s current activities and plans for the future. (April 2)
- Small Modular Reactor Designs & Applications Workshop (April 20)
- [CNS Nuclear 101 Course](#) (April 23-24)
- [Canadian Nuclear Workers’ Council](#) Annual Convention (April 22-24)
- CNA Board of Directors Meeting (May 17)
- [CNS Annual Conference](#) (June 11-13)
- Next issue of NUze (June 2012)

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January: The federally appointed three-member Joint Review Panel (JRP) for [Ontario Power Generation’s proposed Deep Geologic Repository \(DGR\) Project](#) for low and intermediate level waste was announced.

February: A [6-month comment period](#) on the DGR began.

February: The Government of Saskatchewan signed a multi-year agreement to provide funding for the new \$30 million [Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation](#), a world-class research centre at the University of Saskatchewan.

February: Hundreds of new jobs and billions in new investments for Canada, and greater security of nuclear fuel supply for China will be had thanks to the Broadening of the [Canada-China Memorandum of Understanding \(MOU\) on Energy Cooperation](#).

February: The federal government launched a process inviting [Requests for Expression of Interest in the activities of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited’s \(AECL’s\) Nuclear Laboratories](#)

March: The [CNSC has given Bruce Power the go-ahead to power up its Unit 2 reactor](#) and complete final safety checks in preparation for synchronization to Ontario’s electricity grid.