

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN
FORATOM (Forum Atomic Européen)
AND
CANADIAN NUCLEAR ASSOCIATION

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) entered into this day of 15 December, 2020, between FORATOM and the Canadian Nuclear Association (CNA), collectively “the Parties,” a voluntary agreement between the Parties to strengthen their collaboration in advancing nuclear energy’s development, application, and deployment to meet climate change goals.

I. THE PARTIES

FORATOM is the Brussels-based trade association for the nuclear energy industry in Europe. FORATOM acts as the voice of the European nuclear industry in energy policy discussions with EU Institutions and other key stakeholders. The membership of FORATOM is made up of 15 national nuclear associations representing nearly 3,000 firms.

The **Canadian Nuclear Association** (CNA) is the national voice of the Canadian nuclear industry. Working alongside our members and all communities of interest, the CNA promotes the industry nationally and internationally, works with governments on policies affecting the sector and works to increase awareness and understanding of the value nuclear technology brings to the environment, economy and daily lives of Canadians.

II. ACTION OF THE PARTIES

The Parties agree to:

- Support and champion the continued safe and reliable use of nuclear power, for clean energy generation to meet climate change objectives;
- Support the accelerating wave of innovation in nuclear energy and the increasing international activity among our respective memberships in existing nuclear and in the development and deployment of small modular reactors and advanced reactors;
- Promote innovation in research and development initiatives in key applications such as medical; for diagnosis and treatment, and in other economic sectors such as industry, agriculture, resource development, and advanced materials;
- Champion public awareness, understanding and engagement around the benefits of nuclear to meet climate change goals;
- Exchange information on relevant announcements, related to communications, government decisions and policy;
- Provide a forum for the discussion and resolution of issues of concern to members, industry, and the public;
- Further strengthen our associations’ mutual relationship within our events and communications by inviting each other to attend each organizations’ annual conference. This could also include cross collaboration on events such as: the Clean Energy Ministerial and Mission Innovation (CEM/MI) Conferences, NICE Future events, and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) General Conference;
- Cooperate to encourage the leadership of Canadian and European countries to support the advancement of clean energy technology;
- Encourage our respective governments or any other institutional body (i.e. in the case of the EU, the European Commission, the European Parliament and the Council) and international agencies to include nuclear as a clean energy technology to meet climate change goals; advocating therefore for more explicit and prominent inclusion of nuclear energy in Europe and Canada’s energy and environmental policies;
- Encourage cooperation among our respective governments or any other institutional body (i.e. in the case of the EU: the European Commission, the European Parliament and the Council) and industries to continue their leading roles when participating in key international forums such as the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Nuclear Energy Agency (OECD-NEA), the World Nuclear Association (WNA), the World Association of Nuclear Operators (WANO), the International Energy Agency (IEA), the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM); and
- Promote the inclusion of nuclear technologies in various bilateral Canada-European dialogues and in multi-lateral forums.

III. LEGAL EFFECT AND SEVERABILITY

The MoU does not create any legal or binding relationship between the Parties.

FORATOM is liable by EU's Anti-Trust compliance guide as set in Art 101 and 102 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (TFEU) which provide a list of topics not to address in order not to incur in non-compliance of EU competition law.

Nothing in this MoU shall be construed as superseding or interfering in any way with other agreements, if any, entered into by either Party with each other or a third party prior to or subsequent to the signing of this MoU.

The Parties acknowledge and affirm that this MoU is not an obligation of funds and does not commit either Party to fund any action or event in furtherance of the goals of the MoU.

This MoU is intended to be implemented consistent with applicable law. In the event any provision of this MoU is found to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability will not affect the validity, legality, or enforceability of the remainder of the MoU.

IV. DISPUTE RESOLUTIONS

In the event of a disagreement under this MoU, the Parties intend to negotiate to resolve the disagreement in good faith. Nothing herein shall create a claim subject to the jurisdiction of either Party's judicial system.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE, DURATION AND TERMINATION

Effective Date. This memorandum is effective as of the date of execution by both Parties.

Amendment. This MoU may be amended by written agreement between the Parties.

Termination. This MoU may be terminated without cause by the written agreement of the Parties, or by 30-days written notice to the other non-terminating party.

VI. DESIGNATED POINTS OF CONTACT

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this MoU to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

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Signature



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January 26, 2021

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Annex

Below are specific activities that could be undertaken to jointly work on common initiatives that support the CNA and FORATOM's mutually agreed to goals. These include:

- I. Developing joint research and policy initiatives that support nuclear as a clean energy technology to meet climate change goals.
- II. Developing government relations initiatives that will seek to assist each organization's activities. This includes FORATOM and the CNA engaging with parliamentarians, government representatives that are involved in Canada-European relations and those that are responsible for energy and environment portfolios.
- III. Identify and implement joint communications and stakeholder engagements initiatives where FORATOM and CNA could work together to promote nuclear as a clean energy source to meet climate change goals. This would include collaborating at events, such as the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM) meetings and others.
- IV. Work in coordination on mutual issues of interest such as sustainable finance (taxonomy), environment and energy policy initiatives to support each organization's efforts to promote the interests of the nuclear industry.