

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN
FORUMUL ATOMIC ROMAN –
“ROMATOM” (ROMANIAN ATOMIC
FORUM – “ROMATOM”)
AND
CANADIAN NUCLEAR ASSOCIATION

This Memorandum of Understanding [MoU] entered this day of November 30,, 2021 between Forumul Atomic Roman (The Romanian Atomic Forum), with its headquarters in Bucharest, Lacul Tei, Blvd, 1-3, 8th Floor, Room #813, Romania, hereinafter referred to as “ROMATOM”, on one hand, and the Canadian Nuclear Association, having its headquarters in Ottawa, ON, 130 Albert Street, Suite 1610, K1P 5G4, Canada, herein referred to as “CNA”, on the other hand, collectively “the Parties,” constitutes a voluntary agreement between the Parties to strengthen their collaboration in advancing in civil nuclear energy’s development, application, and deployment to meet climate change goals.

I. THE PARTIES

ROMATOM is a non-governmental, non-profit, apolitical, independent association with national representation. Organization members of ROMATOM are the following: Romanian and/or foreign legal organizations, having as objective the generation of electric and thermal power through nuclear processes; suppliers of goods and services for Romanian nuclear industry; research in the nuclear power development and, atomic and nuclear physics; technical and scientific associations. The main purpose of ROMATOM is to promote the peaceful use of nuclear energy and to represent the interests of its members, at national and European level, as a member association of the European Atomic Forum - FORATOM, as well as internationally.

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. ACTIONS OF THE PARTIES

The Parties have a common goal to promote the use and growth of civil nuclear energy through efficient operations and effective policy and to facilitate increased trade and investment in the civil nuclear energy sector. To that end, the Parties intend to collaborate, according to the bilateral agreements on the peaceful uses of the atomic energy and cooperation in the nuclear civil energy sector, concluded by Canada and Romania over the time, and with the international and European legislation applicable to the civil nuclear energy sector in particular and or/to the energy sector, in general, on the following areas of expertise:

- Increasing the cooperation between Romania and Canada in the area of trade and investments in civil nuclear energy considering the already existing strong relationship between the Romanian and the Canadian nuclear energy industries,
- Exploring civil nuclear policy areas of mutual interest including, for example:
 - the role of nuclear in mitigating climate change,
 - the integration of nuclear energy with renewables,
 - civil nuclear safety, security and environmental protection,
 - radioactive waste management, civil nuclear liability, and public interactions.
- Increasing the efforts to jointly promote clean energy and advocating for a global taxonomy which is to include nuclear
- Promoting the cooperation between Canadian and Romanian agencies on issues of common interest i.e. nuclear regulatory bodies, radioactive waste management agencies etc.

- Promote efforts to develop and deploy new CANDU large reactors, rehabilitation and life extension of the existing reactors, as well as the associated activities and promote the small modular reactors, advanced reactors and related research, development and innovation activities, all this in order to meet common goals such as climate change and energy security, enhance the cooperation and integration between the nuclear energy supply chains and the customers, mutual exchange of information about commercial nuclear opportunities and explore potential cooperation on third markets
- Initiating cooperation on the Workforce Human resources, education and training:
- Diversity and Inclusion in the nuclear industry including development of policies and strategies to attract and retain skilled nuclear workers in both countries;
- Attract and cooperate with education institutions: universities, vocational schools, nuclear training centers etc.
- Encourage cooperation and communication among various Canadian and Romanian stakeholders in the civil nuclear energy sector that have a common interest in the development of economic uses for civil nuclear power, medical and industrial applications of nuclear technologies, like for example:
 - Medical isotopes - for which CANDU technology is uniquely suited and which provide health benefits in both countries and beyond
 - Hydrogen clean production
- Look for the opportunities to share and exchange best practices and lessons learned in areas of common interest such as:
 - Communication, public opinion and awareness, benefits of nuclear energy to meet climate change goals
 - Supply chain development, professional and technical development,
 - Incentives to newcomers/ start-ups of nuclear technology etc.
- Foster Canadian and Romanian industry communication and cooperation that would include among other things professional information exchanges, organising events, annual conferences with the participation of industry leaders from both sides in view of promoting civil nuclear energy development etc.
- Further strengthen both associations' mutual relationship by reciprocally participating in each countries events and communications and by inviting each other to attend each organizations' annual conferences. This could also include cross collaboration on events such as (but not limited to) the Clean Energy Ministerial and Mission Innovation (CEM/MI) Conferences, NICE Future events, OECD/ Nuclear Energy Agency (NEA) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) General Conference.
- Cooperate from time to time on additional identified issues related to nuclear energy of mutual interest.

III. LEGAL EFFECT AND SEVERABILITY

The MoU does not create any legal or binding relationship between the Parties under either domestic, European and/or international law. Nothing in this MoU obliges any Party to conclude any commercial or whatsoever type of contract/agreement, neither the Party itself nor any of its associate members.

Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as superseding or interfering in any way with other agreements or contracts, 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 does not represent a legal and binding commitment to invest funds and therefore neither Party shall not in any way obligated to commit for funding any action or event in furtherance of the goals of the MOU.

This MOU is intended to be implemented in fully consistence with all applicable laws, namely the Romanian, the Canadian and/or the European Union legislations. In the event any provision of this MOU is found or declared in any way to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or enforceability will not affect the legality and the existence and the validity of the remainder of the MOU.

IV. COSTS and COST SHARING

To the extent practicable, each Party will provide to the other one without charge the arrangements made in this MOU.

Should financial arrangements be necessary, the Parties will consult and cooperate to develop mutually satisfactory arrangements for cost sharing and/or funding.

Should travel or accommodation be either Party be required to fulfill the arrangements made in the MOU, each Party shall be responsible for its respective costs.

V. CONFIDENTIALITY

A Party may, subject to applicable law, provide information to the other Party under the activities described in the MOU. If the providing disclosing Party identifies that such information should be used kept confidential, the receiving Party will comply with that designation and, to the extent consistent with applicable law, not provide the information to others. In cases where the information is designated as confidential, the parties will sign a binding non-disclosure agreement.

VI. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

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

VII. 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

VIII. DESIGNATED POINTS OF CONTACT

The designated points of contact for this MoU are:

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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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