

Eastern Europe (Bulgaria) – the ideal arena for the nuclear lobby

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CHRONOLOGY

- 1970 Beginning of the investigation for site of second NPP in Bulgaria
- * 1981 Belene site is approved 4 blocks
- * 1990 The project is reduced to 2 blocks (lack of financing)

Anti-Belene coalition is created

- * 1991 The project is frozen by the Parliament
- 2002 Simeon Saxecoburggotski as newly elected prime minister appeals restart of Belene NPP
- 2005 The Government takes official decision for construction of Belene NPP – 2000 mega vats
- * 2006 Atomstroyexport is chosen to deliver the equipment and construct the nuclear power plant.



CHRONOLOGY

- * 2008 The head of the Executive Board of NEC, Liubomir Velkov orders the equipment for 673,9 million euro (without an official contract)
- * 2008 RWE and NEC sign a contract for financing the project
- * One year later RWE withdraws from the project
- * 2013 Referendum about the future of Belene NPP. About 20 % of the population voted. (From them 65% supported and 35% were against second NPP)
- 2013 National parliament took decision for termination of the project.
- 2013 Atomstroyexport starts atrial against NE in the international court of justice in Paris
- * 2016 The Court convicts NEC to pay the ordered equipment. The Government not do anything to win the trail.



CHRONOLOGY

- 2017 Local transborder Round table on Belene NPP project
- * 2018 Meetings with all Romanian mayors in 30-km zone around Belene. Petition preparation.
- 2019 Radiana Nuclear waste construction financed by EBRD.
 Complaint mechanizm
- * 2019 Bulgarian members in NTW
- * 2020 EBRD meeting in Kozloduy and Craiova
- 2021 Transborder survey on EP&R in 100-km zone around Cherna Voda and Kozloduy NPPs



Workshop in Svishtov "The Belene NPP Project - Myths and Reality", 2008



Pan-European NGO meeting 2009, Svishtov



Pan-European NGO meeting-Jan Haverkamp, Albena Simeonova

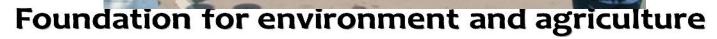


The participants





Turnu Magurele-meeting of farmers and NGOs, 2009



Meeting in Alexandria, Romania - 2009











Meetings with the Romanian mayors in 100 km area around the Belene NPP, 2010





2012 - Public discussion of stress tests -**Kozloduy NPP** ОКОЛНА СРЕДА ЗЕМЕДЕЛИЕ

Preparation for the referendum, 2013







Gabrovo

Veliko Tarnovo



Vratza



Vidin



Preparation for the referendum, 2013



Silistra





Ruse



Svishtov





Montana



2013 Environmental Impact Assessment discussion

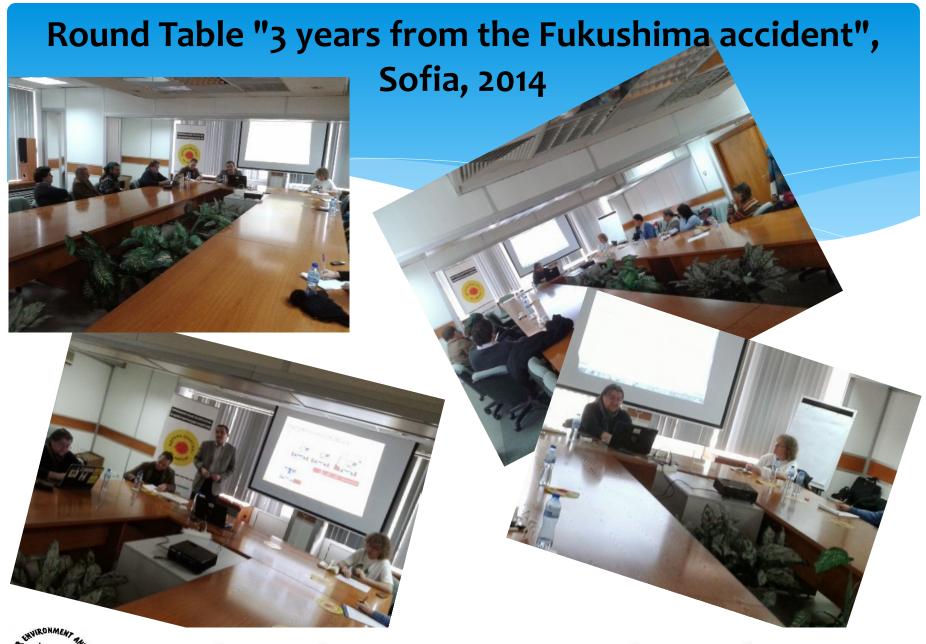












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EIA of Kozloduy NPP in Romania, 2014



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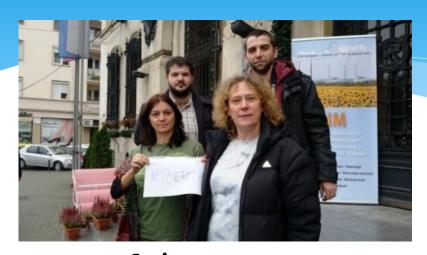
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EIA of Kozloduy NPP in Romania, 2014





Craiova





Public Discussion Kozloduy 7 - Craiova, 2015





Round Table "Reactions in Nuclear Accidents", Sofia 2015



Round Table for Nuclear Waste Management, Kozloduy NPP 2016









Meeting with the State enterprise Radioactive waste management



Svishtov, Round table 2017



Prof. Nikola Yankov



Nikola Popov, Emil Dimitrov, prof. Kastchiev, Albena Simeonova



Borislav Sandov



Petko Kovatchev



Emil Dimitrov



Yoan Georgiev





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Meeting with the Prefect of the Teleorman county in Alexandria, Romania - Florinel Dumitresku - 2018





Meeting with the Major of Turnu Magureli, Romania -Danut Cuclea 2018





Meeting with the Major of Zimnicea, Romania - Petre Pârvu - 2018







Craiova, Romania – 17.07.2019

Meeting of civil society organizations from Bulgaria and Romania with representatives of the EBRD and SE RAW on a project for storage of low and intermediate level radioactive waste on the territory of Kozloduy NPP.



12/11/2019, Brussels

Albena Simeonova and Petar Kardzhilov at the annual general meeting of Nuclear Transparency Watch (NTW)

- the international NGO for transparency in nuclear energy.

Topics under discussion include propaganda for the construction of new nuclear facilities against climate change, preparation and response to major accidents, nuclear waste management.







27.10.2020

France joins the project for construction of Units 3 and 4 of Cherna Voda NPP



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Belene NPP moves to Kozloduy 20.01.2021



The government has decided to build a new nuclear power plant at site B2 at Kozloduy NPP using equipment purchased for the construction of the Belene NPP. The new nuclear power plant is expected to be ready in 10 years, the government's information service said.

http://www.novjivot.info/2021/01/20/%do%bo%do%b5%d1%86-%do%b1%do%b5%do%bb%do%b5%do%bd%do%b5-%d1%81%do%b5-%do%bc%do%b5%d1%81%d1%82%do%b8-%do%b2-%do%ba%do%be%do%b7%do%bb%do%be%do%b4%d1%83%do%b9/



The government misleads the public about Unit 7 of Kozloduy NPP

11.02.2021

https://www.eurochicago.com/2021/03/bl-7/?fbclid=IwAR3femymAAMWeYp-PF918UE8vSDdmKi5dzKVrblwFKZojRmFRI92i qTdsoc

РЕПУБЛИКА БЪЛГАРИЯ

Министър на енергетиката

РЕШЕНИЕ No E-P4-16-93/ M: 02 ... 2021 г.

В Министерство на енергетиката е постъпило заявление за достъп до обществена информация с вх. № Е-ЗДОИ-1 от 28.01.2021 г. от Пламен Кърджилов, с което е заявено получаването на следната информация по реда на Закона за достъп до обществена информация (ЗДОИ), а именно:

- "Кои са споменатите от Вас и от министър-председателя международни експерти, които са били ангажирани от българска страна? Моля да ми бъде предоставена информация за имената им, експертния им опит, свързан с проекти за изграждане на ядрени съоръжения, както и при какъв ред и процедура са наети, от кого, за каква услуга и срещу какво възнаграждение.
- Моля да ми предоставите в пълен обем сканирано копие на Ваш "Доклад за предприетите действия и за резултатите от направеното проучване на възможностите за изграждане на нова ядрена мощност на одобрената със Заповед

On January 20, after a meeting of the Council of Ministers, Boyko Borissov and Temenuzhka Petkova announced that they would build the seventh and even the eighth unit at Kozloduy NPP with the paid reactors for Belene NPP. Later, in several of her interviews for the major television stations, Petkova repeated quite dubious and untrue information publicly disclosed by her and Borisov after that meeting. Thus, a group of experts and lawyers, who closely monitor the problems in nuclear energy, decided to request information in the official order. We submitted to the Ministry of Energy an application under the APIA to explain all the untruths and oddities about the future construction of Unit 7 at Kozloduy NPP, with a reactor provided for Belene NPP.



11.03.2021

10 years after the Fukushima accidents - consequences and unlearned lessons

If this happens in densely populated Europe, the consequences will

be like after a regional war

https://faktor.bg/bg/articles/politi ka-na-vseki-kilometar-10-godinisled-avariite-vav-fukushimaposleditsi-i-nenaucheni-urotsi



prof. Georgi Kastchiev



23.02.2021

The construction of the third and fourth units of the Romanian Cherna Voda NPP will cost 7 billion euros, and construction activities will begin in 2024.

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Belene - Equipment







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