NUCLEAR ENERGY ROADMAP

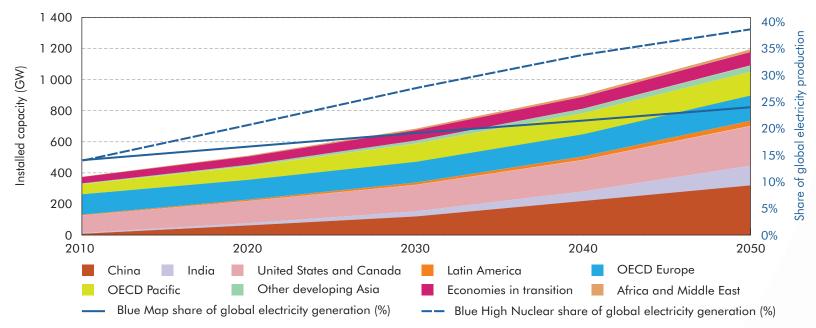








Growth in nuclear power capacity and its share of global electricity production

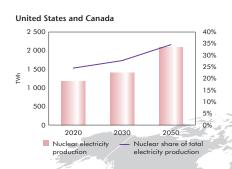


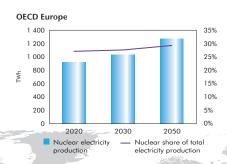
Key findings

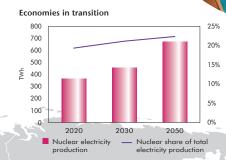
- ► This roadmap targets installed nuclear capacity reaching 1 200 GW in 2050, with annual electricity production of nearly 10 000 TWh. This would represent around 24% of electricity generated worldwide, making nuclear the single largest source of electricity.
- The 2050 target for nuclear energy deployment does not require major technological breakthroughs, although further development will help maintain nuclear's competitiveness.
- ▶ Political support and public acceptance are key requirements for the implementation of nuclear energy programmes, with a clear and stable commitment to nuclear energy in national energy policy.
- Financing the very large investments needed to build nuclear power plants will be a major challenge in many countries, and in some cases governments will need to take a role in addressing this.

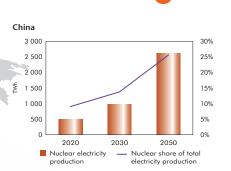
- There is an urgent need to strengthen the nuclear workforce to meet future demands, by investing in education and training.
- Industrial capacities for constructing nuclear power plants will need to increase substantially. Uranium production and fuel cycle capacities will also need to grow.
- ▶ The management and disposal of radioactive wastes is an essential component of all nuclear programmes. Progress needs to be made in building and operating facilities for the disposal of high-level wastes.
- ► The international system of safeguards on sensitive nuclear materials and technologies must be maintained and strengthened where necessary.
- Advanced nuclear technologies, now under development, potentially offer advantages over current technologies. The first of these could be ready for commercial deployment after 2030, although they are not expected to form a large part of nuclear capacity by 2050.

Regional production of nuclear electricity by 2050









Other developing Asia

12%

10%

8%

6%

4%

350

300

250

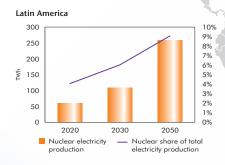
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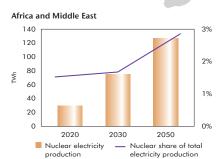
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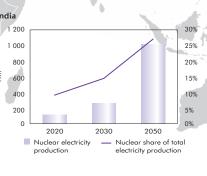
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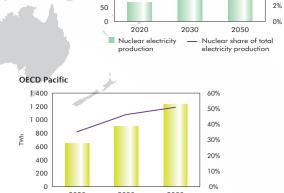
Nuclear electricity

production









Nuclear share of total

electricity production

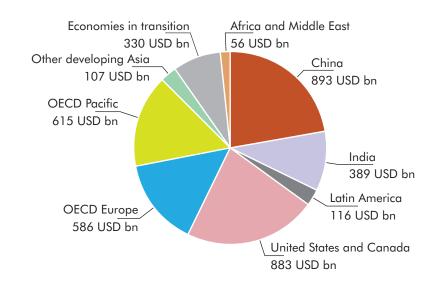
Key actions in the next ten years

During the next 10 years, key nuclear power development milestones include:

- Demonstrate the ability to build the latest nuclear plant designs on time and within budget.
- Develop the industrial capacities and skilled human resources to support sustained growth in nuclear capacity.
- Establish the required legal frameworks and institutions in countries where these do not yet exist.
- Encourage the participation of private sector investors in nuclear power projects.
- Make progress in implementing plans for permanent disposal of high-level radioactive wastes.
- Enhance public dialogue to inform stakeholders about the role of nuclear in energy strategy.
- Expand the supply of nuclear fuel in line with increased nuclear generating capacity.

Analysis for this roadmap is consistent with the IEA *Energy Technology Perspectives 2010* BLUE Map scenario, which describes how annual CO_2 emissions can be reduced by 50% from 2005 levels, with nuclear power providing 24% of global electricity production.

Regional investment needs for nuclear 2010 to 2050

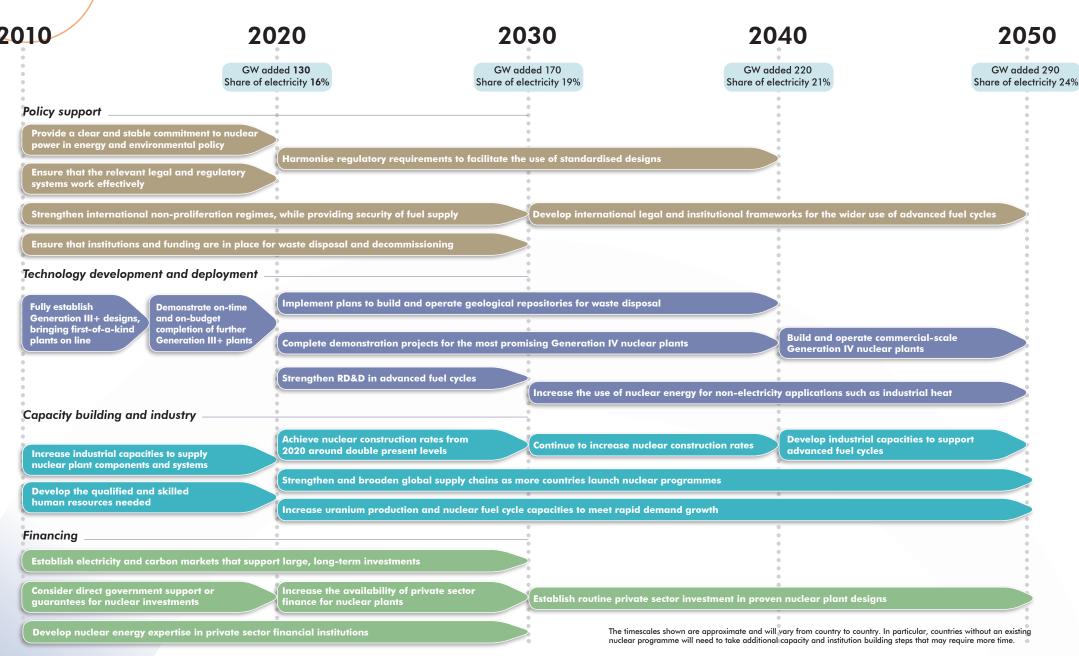


Avoided annual CO ₂ emissions compared to the Baseline scenario (Mt CO ₂)			
	2020	2030	2050
United States and Canada	100	170	450
OECD Europe	110	170	200
OECD Pacific	25	75	140
China	85	325	1 200
India	25	110	500
Latin America	5	15	50
Other developing Asia	5	35	100
Economies in transition	5	5	65
Africa and Middle East	5	5	20





Nuclear energy roadmap milestones



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