
EUROPEAN NUCLEAR INDUSTRY OPEN LETTER: EU NUCLEAR INDUSTRY IS READY TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART IN SUPPORTING NATIONAL AND EU CLEAN ECONOMIC REVIVAL

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Today the EU and the world are confronted by an unprecedented health and economic crisis and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic is rightly the immediate priority for everyone. The energy sector across the EU, with nuclear energy at its core, continues to play an important role in that effort – we are reliably maintaining essential power supplies, whilst ensuring the safety of our employees, customers, the public and the environment.

26% of the electricity produced in the EU comes from nuclear energy and it remains the largest source of low carbon electricity. However, 50% of the EU's electricity mix is still based on historic CO2 emitting fossil fuel technologies and these must be replaced by new low carbon sources as the EU transitions to a carbon neutral economy by 2050. At the same time, additional power capacity will be required to meet growing power demand.

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