

National Presentation Republic of Croatia

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Fund for Financing the Decommissioning of the Krško NPP

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Evolution from a financial institution to the waste management organization



Main responsibilities:

- Collection, preserving and increasing the value of assets for financing the preparation, review and implementation of the Krško NPP Decommissioning and RW and SNF Disposal Programme – since 2008
- Preparation, drafting and implementation of the Krško NPP Decommissioning and RW and SNF Disposal Programme – since 2012
- Establishment of the Radioactive Waste Management (RWM) Centre in Croatia –
 since 2015
- Implementation of RW management in Croatia since 2015, formalized in 2022



Croatia RW and SNF inventory

Waste originating from Krško NPP

Type of RW (Croatia half)	Volume (m³)	Mass (t)	Activity (TBq)
Operational LILW (1983 –2023)	1,266	2,494	17
Operational LILW (2024 – 2043)	255	427	14
Decommissioning LILW (2044 - 2058)	736	1,341	2,4
SNF dry storage decommissioning LILW (2103 - 2107)	35	275	0,5
Total LILW (total)	2,282	4,536	34
Decommissioning HLW (2044-2053)	18	140	24,600
Spent Nuclear Fuel	234,4	926,5	-

Waste originating from Republic of Croatia

- 11 m³ of IRW; up to 100 m³ after decommissioning of existing storage facilities
- Category 3 5 DSRS
- Return to supplier, reuse/recycle, Ra-226 initiative



Croatia RWM concept

Radioactive Waste Management Centre

- Long-term storage for Krško NPP LILW (1983. 2023.)
- Centralized storage for Croatia IRW
- Near-surface disposal facility (LILW)
- Borehole-type disposal for long-lived IRW

operational by 2028

operational by 2050

High-level Radioactive Waste and Spent Nuclear Fuel

- SNF currently stored at NPP site pool and dry storage
- DGR disposal operational by 2092.
- R&D for DGR started in 2024.



RWM Centre – design documentation





Croatia participation in EURAD and EC initiatives

EURAD – participation so far

- Identification of WAC used in EU Member-States for different disposal alternatives in order to inform development of WAC in countries without WAC/facilities.
- Training Course on application of requirements management systems.



Identifying the needs of the Republic of Croatia from the ongoing EC projects

DG ENER 2024 project "Consultation on a joint European approach towards radioactive waste management"

- List of available options for joint activities on the processing and storage and disposal of radioactive waste within the member states of the European Union
- Proposal of changes of legislative approaches for the joint approach

2. EURAD-2 - EC support in:

- Development of disposal facilities (DGR, LILW, IRW/DSRS) and supporting activities (safety case, QMS, monitoring)
- Characterization, treatment and conditioning of challenging waste streams (ion resins, dried sludges, evaporated concentrates...) – determination of potential partnerships with some MS on the same stage of development
- Stakeholder engagement
- Radiation Protection, Dosimetry...



Thank you for your attention!

