



# **Nuclearelectrica – Building a Sustainable Future for Tomorrow's Generations**



## Romania's journey in the nuclear industry – in a nutshell



- **Nearly 30 years** of operations
- **Excellence:**
  - CNE Cernavodă operates 2 of the best-performing units among +440 nuclear power plants worldwide, considering on the capacity factor
  - Romania – the first place worldwide considering the **Station Lifetime Capability Factor – UCF: 92.1% (PRIS)**
- **Supply chain:** +50 years - experience in nuclear, evolving as a mature local nuclear industry
- **Education in engineering: Employer branding platform – Nucleus of Excellence:** partnerships/collaborations with universities where we operate: Politehnica University in Bucharest (SMR Simulator to train students) & Pitești University Centre, Ovidius University in Constanța (Dual education partnership), Constanta Maritime University, Dunarea de Jos University in Galati, Valahia University in Târgoviște, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University in Iasi, Transilvania University in Brasov.
- **Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Platform – Nucleus of Care** – our commitment to supporting the development of the communities we operate in; projects in strategic areas: i.e. **health, education, environment** etc

## Nuclear energy in Romania at present



CO2 emissions in Romania avoided since the commissioning of Cernavodă NPP

**232 milion Tones**

Annual avoidance of CO2 emissions due to the operation of the plant

**10 milion Tones**

Nuclear energy in Romania now – 1,400 MWe, production - 235,500,000 MWh, Average Capacity Factor: 92.00%

**18-20%**

Nuclear contribution to clean electricity

**33%**

Jobs in the industry

**11,000**

Investments estimated at the level 2030 decade

**EUR 20 bln**

## Nuclear energy in Romania a 2031/2032



Annual CO2 emissions estimated to be avoided with 4 units  
in operation + SMR power plant

**24 mil.  
Tones**

Contribution of nuclear energy in Romania

**36%**

Contribution of nuclear energy in total CO2-free energy

**66%**

Jobs in industry

**20,000**

**RoPower  
Nuclear** (50%  
Shareholding SNN)

**NUCLEARELECTRICA (SNN)**  
Bucharest Headquarters

**Cernavodă NPP – Units 1&2  
Branch**

- Safe & Efficient operation of Units 1 & 2
- Management of all Company assets in Cernavodă
- Town heating supplier



100% owned by SNN

**Energionuclear  
Subsidiary (PCO)  
Units 3&4 Project**

**Nuclearelectrica SERV  
Subsidiary**

**Uranium Concentrates  
Processing Factory  
Subsidiary (FPCU)**

**Nuclear Fuel Plant Pitești (FCN Pitești)  
Branch**

- Manufacturer of nuclear fuel bundles for Cernavodă NPP



**Shareholders structure**

- Ministry of Energy 82.4981%
- Others 17.5019%

# Nuclearelectrica Projects for Repowering Romania

– We invest for the future –

## INVESTIM PENTRU VIITOR



- Refurbishment / Life Extension of Unit 1
- 2 new CANDU Units – timespan: 2031/2032
- Cernavodă Tritium Removal Facility (CTRF)
- SMR Development
- Medical Isotopes
- Integrated Nuclear Fuel Cycle



# Refurbishment of Unit 1

## History & performance (1996–2025)

- Commissioned in 1996
- 148 million MWh produced (November 2025)
- Contribution: ~9% of annual national consumption
- >140 million tones of CO<sub>2</sub> avoided
- For many years in a row, it has been among the **top 3 reactors** in the world in terms of capacity factor (current CF: over 90%)

## Benefits for the next 30 years (after refurbishment)

- + 30 years – safe and economically efficient operational life
- **5.5 million MWh/year** of clean, safe, stable, and affordable energy
- **5 million tones of CO<sub>2</sub> avoided/year**
- Conservation and development of value chain - certified according to nuclear standards
- Creation and maintenance of jobs for the next 30 years
- Development of expertise and increase in the number of specialists dedicated to the project.

## Unit 1 – Milestones and impact



***30 years of clean energy,  
without CO<sub>2</sub> emissions***



# Refurbishment of Unit 1

## Stages of the Unit 1 refurbishment project – CNE Cernavodă

**Phase 1** – Defining the project scope - Completed

**Phase 2** – Preparing for implementation (2024–2027) – currently being rolled-out

**Main activities:** engineering, procurement, EPC contract, permits & authorizations, licensing, EC opinion, financing, planning, infrastructure construction

### Key milestones:

- **June 11, 2024:** signing of the framework agreement with Canadian Nuclear Partners S.A. for PMO services
- **December 19, 2024:** signing of the EPC contract between SNN and the international consortium (Candu Energy Inc./AtkinsRéalis, Ansaldo Nucleare, Canadian Commercial Corporation, KHNP)
- **August 20, 2025:** signing of the EPC-T contract with ArabelleS for the refurbishment of the turbogenerator
- **September 3, 2025:** start of work on the infrastructure required for the project

Completion: 2027

**Phase 3** – Actual implementation of the modernization work on Unit 1 (2027–2030)

Execution of the refurbishment project



*30 years of clean energy,  
without CO2 emissions*



# Units 3 & 4 Project

- **>11 million MWh/year** of clean energy
- **10 million tones of CO<sub>2</sub> avoided/year**
- Development of the supply chain and strengthening of the local nuclear industry
- **~20,000 jobs** created and **maintained for 30–60 years of operation**
- Romania – **opportunity to become a regional supplier of clean energy**
- The Romanian State owns assets necessary for the development and operation of the Project (1,100 tones of heavy water for the initial inventory and uranium octoxide for the first load of nuclear fuel).
- Project implementation through EnergoNuclear S.A. (100% owned by SNN)
- The project will benefit from the experience of CANDU technology evolution and the Romanian engineering and industry will be part of this effort.

## Strategic benefits





# Units 3 & 4 Project

## Stages

### Stage I – Preparatory (2021–2024) – completed

- 2021–2023: Reassessment of existing structures
- June 2023: Signing of the Support Agreement (Romanian State – SNN)
- June 2024: Positive opinion from the EC – Art. 41 Euratom Treaty
- Nov. 2024: Signing of the EPCM contract – LNTP phase
- Obtaining the Letter of Comfort from CNCAN

### Stage II – Preliminary Works – LNTP / FNTF (2024–2027) – current phase of the project

- Development of critical engineering for project definition
- Structuring and contracting financing
- Completion of Preliminary Safety Analysis Report (PSAR) & Nuclear Safety Authorization for construction
- Obtaining the Final Investment Decision (FID) to move to stage III

### Stage III – Start of construction – 2027

Start of construction works: mid-2027





# Cernavoda Tritium Removal Facility

## Status

- The CTRF facility will remove tritium from heavy water, reducing environmental impact and providing a safer working environment for employees.
- It is an innovative Romanian technology developed by ICSI Râmnicu Vâlcea and will be the **first facility of its kind in Europe** and the **third in the world**.
- CTRF opens up the opportunity for **Romania to contribute to the global supply of tritium for nuclear fusion** (e.g., ITER) and to capitalize on the resulting helium-3.

- **June 2023** – Signing of the EPC contract with KHNP
- **December 2023** – Signing of the €145 million loan agreement with the EIB
- **March 2024** – Obtaining the construction-assembly permit from CNCAN
- **June 2024** – Start of construction works
- **June 2025** – Launch of works by pouring the first concrete for the foundation



# Small Modular Reactors

## Status

### Capacity and technology

- 6 modules × 77 MWe → 462 MWe total capacity
- Clean, safe, and stable energy for decades to come

### Economic and social impact

- 200 permanent jobs in operation, 1,500 jobs during construction
- 2,300 jobs in manufacturing and supply chain

### Environmental benefits

- 4 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> avoided annually

### Strategic positioning

- SNN – preferred operator, with almost 30 years of experience in safe operation
- Romania – first country to implement SMR in Europe
- Regional leader and catalyst for SMR development in the region

### Industrial development and know-how

- Creation of an SMR production, assembly, and maintenance base through local supply chains
- Regional hub for training SMR operators and specialists

- **November 2021** – Official announcement by the US and Romania at COP26; USTDA funding for feasibility studies
- **December 2022** – U.S. EXIM Bank and DFC announce financial support for SMR project development
- **2023** – Launch of P-TECC; Romania designated regional hub for SMR technology
- **July 24, 2024** – Signing of FEED 2 contract between RoPower Nuclear and Fluor Corporation
- **May 2025** – NRC (US) approves NuScale SMR standard design
- **Q4 2025** – Recruitment of new strategic partners to strengthen the project



## Workforce Training

- May 12, 2023 – launch of the first simulator in Europe, mirroring a SMR Control Room, at POLITEHNICA University in Bucharest (Faculty of Energy Engineering)
- The simulator is used for the training of future generations of nuclear engineers

### Deschiderea oficială a primului Centru de Explorare a Energiei din Europa la Universitatea POLITEHNICA din București





# Medical Isotopes

## Status

- **Lutetium-177 (Lu-177):** innovative radioisotope used in targeted cancer treatments (radioligand therapies), with promising results in modern oncology
- **Essential in cancer treatment**, medical imaging, and device sterilization
- **10,000 hospitals worldwide** → ~49 million procedures/year with radioisotopes
- In the EU, over **1,500 centres** → ~10 million procedures/year

### Impact:

- Radioisotopes: **4,000 doses** for Romania

### November 2024

- SNN & Framatome agreement for the production of Lu-177 (oncological radioisotope) **Stage 1 (September – December 2024)**
- Finalizing the agreement with the main terms of the irradiation agreement
- FID decision for project implementation

### Stage 2 (2024–2025)

- 03.09.2025 - Approval of the irradiation contract between Framatome & SNN
- Engineering, licensing, procurement activities

### Stage 3 (2025–May 2027)

- Project authorization, equipment manufacturing, mock-up & external installation

### Stage 4 (May–December 2027)

- Installation during planned outage, testing & commissioning

**2028** – Launch of commercial irradiation service for medical isotopes

# Integrated nuclear fuel cycle

- At the end of 2023, Nuclearelectrica completed the acquisition of assets from the technical uranium concentrate processing stream at the CNU Feldioara Branch.
- Between January and March 2023, the company operationalized the **Feldioara Branch** as part of **Romania's integrated nuclear fuel cycle development strategy**. The branch is currently operating at optimal capacity.
- In October 2025, the Feldioara Uranium Concentrate Processing Plant (FPCU) announced the delivery of nuclear fuel (uranium dioxide -  $UO_2$ ) to Argentina.

*Maintaining and developing the integrated nuclear cycle ensures Romania's competitive advantage and strengthens Nuclearelectrica's ability to effectively and resiliently support its strategic investment projects for new production capacities.*



# The strategic investment portfolio is valued at over **€20 billion** and is structured around 3 strategic directions

## **Direction I – Expansion and diversification of production capacity**

1. Development of units 3 and 4 of the Cernavodă Nuclear Power Plant
2. Development of Small Modular Reactors (SMRs)

## **Direction II – Strengthening safety, reliability, and operational excellence**

1. Refurbishment of Unit 1 Cernavodă
2. Development of the Interim Spent Fuel Storage Facility (DICA)
3. Development of the Emergency Response Center
4. Modernization and development of the nuclear fuel plant
5. Modernization, refurbishment, and development of the uranium concentrate processing plant
6. Digital transformation and cybersecurity

## **Direction III – Sustainability and innovation**

1. Implementation of the heavy water detritiation facility;
2. Diversification of the product portfolio through the production of medical radioisotopes.



# Nucleus of Excellence – SNN de Employer Branding Platform



## 2700 team members



CNE Cernavodă ~ 2000 people

FCN Pitești ~ > 350 people

Head office ~ > 200 people

SNN subsidiaries ~ 540 people: Nuclearelectrica Serv and Energonuclear

- Jobs:
  - **Engineers** (energy engineers, electricians, mechanics, chemists, physicists, etc.)
  - **Specialists** in nuclear analysis, preventive and corrective maintenance
  - **Support roles:** economists, lawyers, IT, HR etc.

# Growing a Career in Nuclearelectrica



Comprehensive HR strategy focused on: attracting, engaging and retaining talent!



- **Start a conversation with SNN** (events, presentations and workshops conducted by our colleagues; visiting the power plant and the fuel plant)
- Tailor-Made **programs for youth**
- **Attractive Employee Value Proposition**

- **Strong and inspiring culture, aligned to international standards**
- **Training and development opportunities**
  - Internal & international courses
  - Benchmarking / Exchange of experience
  - Career paths, coaching and mentoring
- **Reward and Recognition of performance**

**Purpose, Pride and Satisfaction**

# Benefits for Economic and Social development

## Direct benefits:

- **Substantial increase** in clean energy production capacity
- Ensuring the **stability and security of the energy system**, as well as strengthening **Romania's energy independence**
- Investments in projects such as the refurbishment of Unit 1, the construction of Units 3 and 4 in Cernavodă, and the development of SMR create demand for specialized equipment, materials, and services, **stimulating industrial production and the construction sector**.

## Indirect benefits:

- Contribution to national **GDP growth** through **capital investment** and **domestic intermediate consumption**, generating **income and jobs in industry, construction, energy, and specialized services**.
- **The nuclear industry** already supports over **12,000 direct and indirect jobs**, and with the expansion of investments, this number could reach **over 20,000 employees**, including in related fields such as medicine, through the production of isotopes and the development of new technologies.

## Wide-ranging economic impact:

- **Revitalization of national industry** through the involvement of local companies in the supply chain
- **Modernization and renewal of production equipment**
- **Training of a new generation of specialists** in the field of nuclear energy and equipment manufacturing.






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