

INVITATION

The Director of the Department of Nuclear Safety, Security and Safeguards (“Kernfysische Dienst” or “KFD”) of the Dutch Inspectorate for Housing, Spatial Planning and Environment cordially invites you to attend the theme celebration of KFD’s 40th anniversary, titled:

Nuclear Supervision: The Next Generation
‘How society will benefit’
International KFD congress

Science Center ‘NEMO’, Amsterdam (The Netherlands),
26 September 2008

with special guest speakers:

dr Dale Klein (keynote speaker)
chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, USA.

mr André-Claude Lacoste
chairman of the Nuclear Safety Authority, France.

dr Wolfgang Renneberg
director-general at the Federal Ministry of the Environment, Germany.

dr Tim Van der Hagen
director of the reactor institute Delft, The Netherlands.

invitees only

A day of discussion and networking

The congress host wishes to stimulate interaction about the future of supervision on nuclear installations from a technological and political perspective. The morning programme is set up for the special guest speakers to express their expert views on the societal relevance of nuclear supervision. The audience will be strongly encouraged to ask questions after these speeches. Secondly, congress participants are invited to partake in an after lunch ‘speed dating’ session, enabling junior and aspiring supervisors to meet the experts, and vice versa, in a short period of time. During the afternoon discussions, experts and the next generation can exchange their own opinion on specific topics related to the speeches of the special guests. The day will be concluded with a plenary summary of the day, followed by an informal reception, allowing participants to continue, either on the main conclusions on the future of nuclear supervision, or making new acquaintances. A more detailed programme outline is available online.

Nuclear supervision

Continuously improving nuclear safety is one of the basic challenges of the international society of nuclear supervisors. This challenge and its parameters have evolved greatly over the past few decades. In honor of its 40-year anniversary KFD wishes to present a diverse view on the technological and political changes that have influenced the basics of international nuclear supervision and thus address its own societal relevance. Internationally renowned guest speakers, experts from fellow nuclear supervisors and specialists from numerous research and knowledge institutions in the world of nuclear technology and supervision are invited to this congress.

The next generation

Furthermore, a new challenge has been facing the international community of nuclear supervisors: attracting the supervisors of tomorrow. The current community is in need of succession. By strongly urging students, PhD-candidates and junior supervisors to attend this congress, KFD invites them to exchange their personal views on this new challenge, making this congress about the future of nuclear supervision, while learning from the past. Students, PhD-candidates and juniors are also invited to send in questions regarding the focus of this event or one of the cases illustrating the special guest's speeches. These cases are Forsmark, new installations like the EPR in Finland, the AP1000 and research reactors, and the Chalk River Isotope . Their questions will be embedded in the day programme. They can send these questions to nextgeneration@minvrom.nl.

How society will benefit

The guest speakers will offer their professional views on the role of nuclear supervisors, today and in the foreseeable future, by using for example lessons learnt from Forsmark, and the Chalk River Isotope. These cases each show how society has benefited from nuclear supervision. The guest speakers will translate these historic events into future benefits and conclude their speech with a question to the audience, related to their professional standpoints. More detailed information about the speakers is available online.

Special guest speakers

Dr Dale Klein is chairman of the American Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). As keynote speaker of this congress, he will present us his view on nuclear supervision through a political and governmental perspective.

Mr André-Claude Lacoste is chairman of the board of the French Nuclear safety authority (ASN). As special guest speaker, he will focus on how technological aspects have played a vital part in the societal benefits of nuclear supervision.

Dr Wolfgang Renneberg is the director-general for Nuclear Safety at the Federal Ministry of the Environment, Germany (BMU). Dr Renneberg will share his view on the need for nuclear supervision.

Dr Tim van der Hagen is director of the research institute Delft, the Netherlands. Dr Van der Hagen will approach supervision on nuclear installations from an educational and scientific perspective.

Invitation policy

This congress is open to students, PhD-candidates and junior supervisors in the field of nuclear installations. Furthermore, the congress is aimed at professionals in the field of nuclear supervision: managers, directors and specialists employed by fellow supervisors, nuclear installations, NGO's, representatives of relevant educational institutions and other civil organizations. The Nuclear supervision congress is for invitees only. We encourage invitees to forward this invitation to others that might be interested in attending this congress.

Congress registration

The language of the event is English. Conference participation is free of charge, lunch and refreshments are included. If you would like to register for this event directly, please go to the [registration page](#) or visit the www.vrom.nl/nextgeneration for more information.