



*« It's not because I work in the nuclear industry
that I can't be trusted,
it's because I work in the nuclear industry
that I know what I'm talking about »*

**Bring rationality to the debate,
Support public decision-making,
Express our serene pride to work for an industry that enables the future**

VOICES OF NUCLEAR is an NGO whose volunteer members are employees and sympathizers of the nuclear industry, independent of any economic, institutional, trade union or political ties.

It was created in March 2018 by and for employees who, on a personal level, wish to:

- Assume and express pride in being part of an exceptional scientific and industrial sector
- Participate in finally getting the facts about that sector out to the public

WHAT

The image of nuclear power in people's perception is today so broadly and deeply degraded, the bias in media expression is such, that few try - let alone manage - to take the floor to restore the facts and rationalize the debate.

Yet the issue is urgent: at the end of 2018, the French government decree on the Multiannual Energy Program is to be promulgated. The quality of the debate of nuclear energy at that moment in time will influence the decision. **And this decision will in turn seal the fate of nuclear energy in France and of its role as part of the global nuclear industry as well as for the future of the planet.**

Remember: France is the proof-of-concept. It is the living, flourishing demonstration that a country can very well thrive and operate in a very democratic context while relying heavily on nuclear power.

Our objective is to encourage and support the employees of the nuclear sector to express themselves, open the debate and allow their positive messages to be backed up by other sectors of society (healthcare, diplomacy, business, consumers, environmental protection agencies etc), as they see fit, according to their own specific expertise. Because we believe only a strong demonstration of a collective and popular effort will stand a chance to move the media across traditional party lines and eventually open their ears and those of the public to the benefits proffered by the nuclear industry.

HOW

We aim to provide employees of the nuclear sector with the motivation, the tools and the opportunities to make their voices heard, individually and collectively, whether or not under the banner of the Voices of Nuclear.

We ask members of Voices of Nuclear to unite around the two following statements only :

- **We are proud of the nuclear sector and of the role we play in it**
- **We promote more objective information about nuclear, based on facts rather than on fear**

Three issues make this initiative a unprecedented challenge: the mobilization of employees who have felt repeatedly misrepresented by the media and live through difficult times; the slim window of time before the decree decision; and the opposition that the initiative is sure to provoke.



The more numerous we are, the more our message will have a chance to be heard, the more influence we will have to support a positive decision.

It's not likely that there will be too many of us. Let us stand united.

WHY

If we are convinced of the imperative necessity of this effort, it is because we, members of Voices of Nuclear, have built, and continue every day to build, the French nuclear sector from the inside. We know its qualities and how it can be improved, its strengths and its weaknesses. We know that the well-being of the population, strength of the economy and achievement of international environmental goals as well as France's future place on the world stage rely directly and indirectly upon that sector.

We know above all that no exceptional measure or state intervention is required for it to succeed, but simply a rational, regular environment to work in. The way to recover such an environment is to keep conveying the facts to public opinion - to speak out and be heard just as any other player on a democratic stage.

We don't deny that the industry has real difficulties but many of them originate in the disastrous image that has long been transmitted to the public in a misguided way. In our societies, this massive information bias has turned into unspoken arbitrary discrimination and, for the industry, into a direct and concrete handicap.

Electricity is the energy of the future: digitization, performance, environment and health protection, independence, movement, freedom - and the promise of additional and multiple uses - provided it is available now, on a major scale, without emissions of greenhouse gases and particulates.

That is possible here, in France, thanks to nuclear power and thanks to the nuclear sector's skilled workers, located all across the country: 220,000 workers, more than 1 million jobs at stake, an activity of high added value, that cannot be relocated abroad.

Let it be.

Just that.

Let it be.

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