# Impact of Fukushima accident on Nuclear and Energy Policy

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## **Issues and Challenges**

- Fukushima Daiichi Decommissioning and Restoring life in Fukushima area
- Restoring Public Trust in Nuclear Safety and Energy Policy
- Impact on Global Nuclear Energy Development



#### **Japan Atomic Energy Commission (JAEC)**

#### **OThe Role of Japan Atomic Energy Commission**

The Japan Atomic Energy Commission is set up in the Cabinet Office and has five commissioners. Its mission is *to conduct planning*, *deliberations, and decision-making regarding basic policy for research, development, and utilization of nuclear energy, including the formulation of the Framework for Nuclear Energy Policy except matters related to nuclear safety regulation.* When the JAEC deems it necessary as a part of its assigned mandate, *JAEC can recommend and demand reports of the head of relevant administrative organization through the Prime Minister.* 

Members: 5 (appointed by the Prime Minister with the consent of the House of Representatives and House of Councilors)





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#### Role of JAEC (??) - A small tag-boat for a giant Titanic? -





## Fukushima Daiichi Decommissioning and Restoring life in Fukushima area



PM Abe's assuring speech on Fukushima at the International Olympic Committee

#### (Sept. 7, 2013)

• "Let me assure you the situation is under control... It has never done and will never do any damage to Tokyo. There are no healthrelated problems until now, and nor will there be in the future."

-From Reuter, "Abe helps secure 2020 Games for Tokyo," Sept. 7, 2013 http://uk.reuters.com/article/2013/09/07/uk-olympicsidUKBRE9860B020130907



http://www.kantei.go.jp/jp/96\_abe/actions/201309/07ioc\_day2.html

Struggling with contaminated water...during the recent typhoon (Sept. 15, 2013)



http://www.tepco.co.jp/nu/fukushimanp/handouts/2013/images/handouts\_130917\_ 01-j.pdf

"I think the current situation is that it is not under control," by a TEPCO official.

-Fukushima 'not under control' – TEPCO official refutes PM's assurances, Reuter, Sept. 13, 2013 http://rt.com/news/fukushima-under-control-tepco-819/



http://www.meti.go.jp/english/earthquake/nuclear/decommissioning/ pdf/20130903\_01a.pdf

## Mid-Long Term Roadmap for Fukushima Dai-ichi



## Evacuation Area Amended (March 7,2013)





http://www.kantei.go.jp/saigai/pdf/20130307gainenzu.pdf

## Cherry blossom in Tomioka Town (10 km from Fukushima Daiichi)



http://www.asahi.com/special/10005/images/TKY201204190192.jpg

http://img.47news.jp/PN/201204/PN20120419010011 25.-.-.Cl0003.jpg

## Compared with the Chernobyl accident



http://www.meti.go.jp/earthquake/nuclear/pdf/130314\_01a.pdf

Most Important Lessons Learned from Fukushima: "Thinking Unthinkable" and "Resilience"

- "The Investigation Committee is convinced of the need of a paradigm shift in the basic principles of disaster prevention programs for such a huge system, whose failure may cause enormous damage."- from the Interim Report by the Gov't investigation committee (Dec. 2011)
- "Thinking unthinkable" is essential in preparing for the emergency and for energy security.
- "Resilience" beyond "defense in depth" is needed for preparing "unexpected crisis".
  - Resilience means a capability to respond to "unexpected crisis" as well as to restore safe and secure status of the social system.



# Restoring Public Trust in Nuclear Safety and Energy Policy



## Goal of Power Production Mix in 2030 Before 2011/3/11



Source: Institute of Energy Economics, March 2010



#### What is your opinion about nuclear power in Japan? 日本の原子力発電はどうあるべきか

※2013年の調査では、回答項目は「再稼働を認めず、直ちにやめるべき」「再稼働を認めて段 階的に縮小すべき」「再稼働を認めて現状を維持すべき」「再稼働を認めて段階的に増やすべ き」であった。

Source: Prof. Hirotada Hirose, "Changes of Public Opinion about Nuclear Power," Presented at Japan Atomic Energy Commission, July 17, 2013 <u>http://ww.aec.go.jp/jicst/NC/iinkai/teirei/siryo2013/siryo27/siryo2.pdf</u>

#### PM Abe's Statement at Diet on Energy Policy (2013/02/28)

- Reflecting on the accident at Tokyo Electric Power Company's Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station, under the Nuclear Regulation Authority, we will foster a new culture of safety that will uncompromisingly enhance the degree of safety. After doing so we will restart nuclear power plants where safety has been confirmed.
- We will promote the introduction of energy conservation and renewable energies to the greatest possible extent to reduce our degree of dependency on nuclear power as much as possible. At the same time, we will begin a fundamental reform of the electric system.

http://www.kantei.go.jp/foreign/96\_abe/statement/201302/28siseuhousin\_e.html



## Impact of Shutdown of Nuclear Power from FY 2010 to FY 2012



Source: Yuji Yamaguchi, The Institute of Energy Economics, Japan, 2013. http://www.aec.go.jp/jicst/NC/iinkai/teirei/siryo2013/siryo31/siryo3.pdf

H22 2010 H24 2012 3.1 trillion yen extra expenses due to loss of nuclear power 17

# All nuclear utilities reported total of 1.5 trillion yen loss in FY 2012 (including Tepco's 0.8 trillion yen loss)





Source: Yuji Yamaguchi, The Institute of Energy Economics, Japan, 2013. http://www.aec.go.jp/jicst/NC/iinkai/teirei/siryo2013/siryo31/siryo3.pdf

## Japan's CO2 emission increased by 70 MT or 5.8% from 2011

#### Figure 1.8 CO2 emissions trends in 2012



Source: International Energy Agency (IEA), "Redrawing Energy Climate Map," 10 June 2013, <u>http://www.worldenergyoutlook.org/media/weowebsite/2013/energyclimatemap/RedrawingEnergyClimateMap.pdf</u>



# Impact on Global Nuclear Energy Development



#### From "Nuclear Renaissance" to "Failed Dream"? by "The Economist"



"A nuclear revival is welcome so long as the industry does not repeat its old mistakes"

-- The Economist, September 8, 2007



"For nuclear to play a greater role, either it must get cheaper or other ways of generating electricity must get more expensive."– The Economist, March 10, 2012 21

#### Global Nuclear Power Development Current Status (IAEA)





Source: H-HolgerRogner, Head, Planning & Economic Studies Section (PESS)Department of Nuclear Energy, International Atomic Energy Agency, "Energy, Electricity and Nuclear Power Estimates for the Period up to 2030," November 2011.

As of July 31, 2013, 434 nuclear power plants (370.5 GWe) are operating and 69 units are under construction, one unit in long term shutdown. <u>http://www.iaea.org/pris/</u>

**Global Nuclear Power Plant Construction (IAEA)** 

: Replacement of old reactors are coming....



Source: H-HolgerRogner, Head, Planning & Economic Studies Section (PESS)Department of Nuclear Energy, International Atomic Energy Agency, "Energy, Electricity and Nuclear Power Estimates for the Period up to 2030," November 2011. 23

# Global Nuclear power production is in decline

#### Figure 1: Nuclear Electricity Generation in the World





http://www.worldnuclearreport.org/

#### Asia: No major policy changes, still committed to nuclear power Bangladesh: There is no change in plans to promote nuclear policy. Bangladesh signs with agreement between

**Bangladesh:** There is no change in plans to promote nuclear policy. Bangladesh signs with agreement between Russia about the construction of Rooppur NPP in November 2011.

**China:** Important role of nuclear power in China is not changed. China has temporarily stopped the authorization of new projects after the accident, but the construction of NPP has restarted now.

**India:** Domestic energy demand is increasing, and nuclear power is considered to be an important option as a clean energy source (no change). Construction of new NPPs are progressing according to the existing plan.

**Indonesia:** 49.5% of the population is in favor (35.5% opposition) for against nation's nuclear policy. Nuclear power is considered as one of the main power source to support energy security.

**Kazakhstan:** There is no change in plans to promote nuclear power. many people are aware that there is no other option to incorporate nuclear power for the realization of nation's policy.

**South Korea:** There is no change in nuclear policy. Based on the "4th Comprehensive Nuclear Energy Promotion Plan", South Korea continues to build NPPs in six locations from 2012 to 2017.

**Malaysia:** There is no change in plans to begin the operation of Malaysia's first nuclear reactor in 2021.

**Vietnam:** There is no change in plans to promote nuclear power. Vietnam plans to build high safety NPPs learned from Fukushima accident with Japan and Russia in cooperation.

**Taiwan:** Announced an energy policy to reduce the dependence on nuclear power.

**Thailand:** Decided the postponement of the plan to build five NPPs for 3 years.



#### Estimates of Nuclear Electrical Generating Capacity : Comparison of estimates in 2013 and 2011

	Actual in 2011	Estimates for 2030 Estimated		Estimates for 2050 Estimated		
		in 2011	in 2013	in 2011	in 2013	
<u>World Total</u> Nucl. Capacity (GWe)			-13%		-219	%
Low Estimate High Estimate	368.8	501 746	435 722	560 1228	440 1113	
Share (%)			-3%		-9%	
Low Estimate High Estimate	7.1	5.2 6.2	4.5 6.2	2.7 6.0	2.2 5.6	
<u>Far East</u> Nucl. Capacity (GWe)	79.8		-18%		-14%	ó
Low Estimate High Estimate		180	147	220	189	
		233	+5%	430	-8%	
Share (%) Low Estimate High Estimate	5.0	6.4 7.5	5.3 8.1	4.2 8.6	3.7 8.0	

Source: International Atomic Energy Agency, "Energy, Electricity and Nuclear Power Estimates for the Period up to 2050," 2011 Edition <u>http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/Publications/PDF/RDS1\_31.pdf</u> 2013 Edition <u>http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/publications/PDF/RDS-1-33\_web.pdf</u> 26



*Energy efficiency is the hidden fuel that increases energy security and mitigates climate change.* 



http://www.iea.org/etp/etp2012/presentations/