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IAEA Activities Supporting Fukushima Efforts on On-Site Decommissioning and Off-site Remediation

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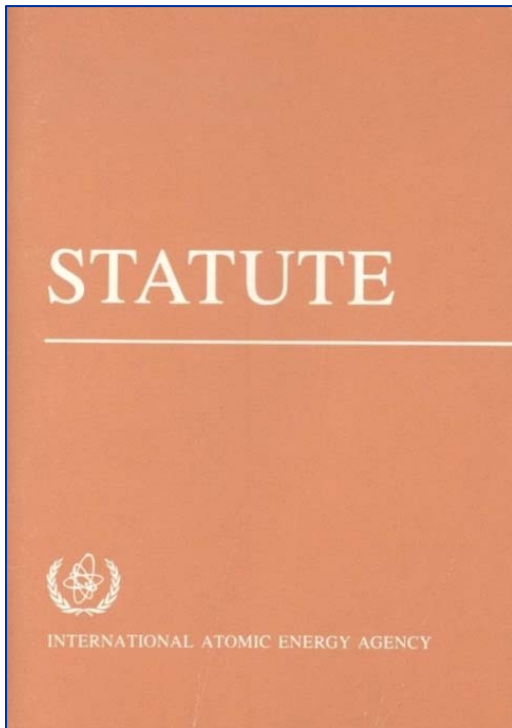
Session 013

Global Support for Fukushima Decontamination and Decommissioning and Clean-Up Efforts

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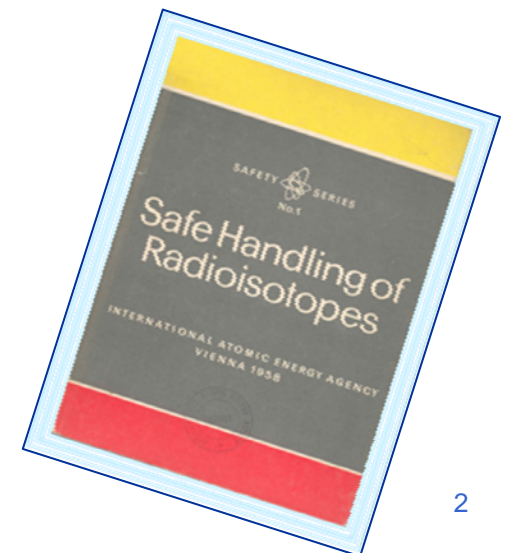
Division of Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety
Waste and Environmental Safety Section

IAEA Statute



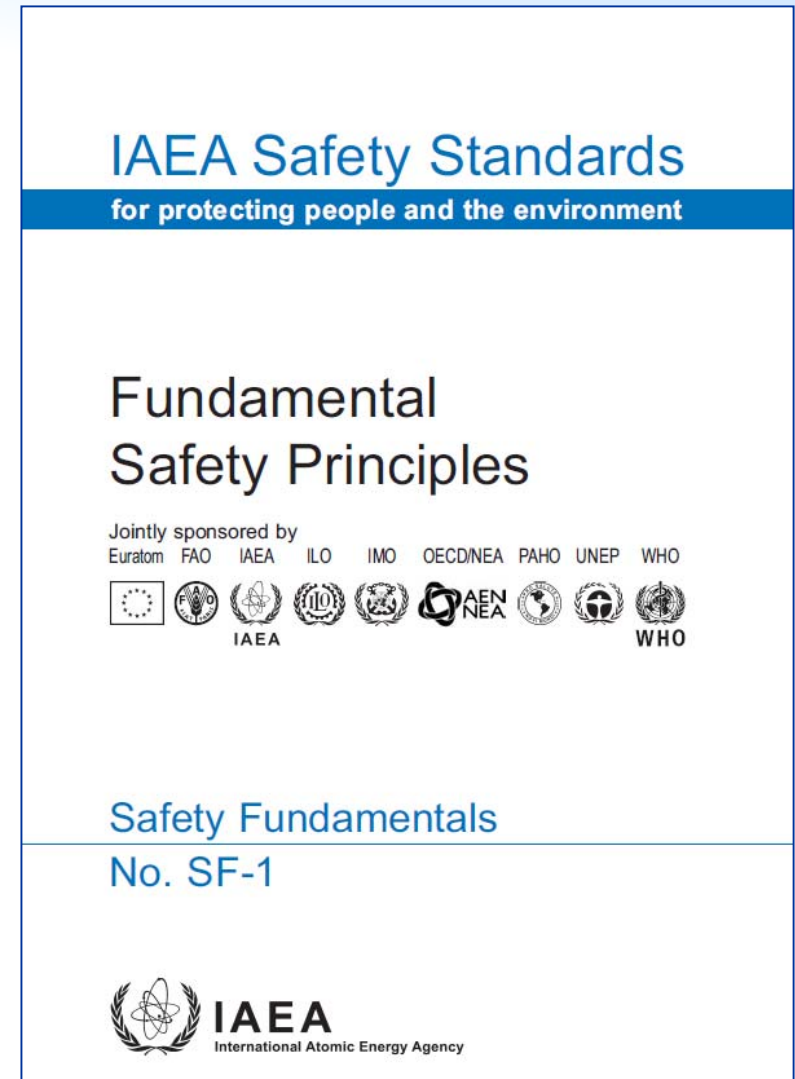
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In **1958**, the IAEA published its first Safety Standard, Safety Series No. 1, **Safe Handling of Radioisotopes**. Over the years, more than 200 publications were issued in the Safety Series.



Safety Fundamentals


- A single top level (fundamentals-level) standard
- Policy document of the IAEA Safety Standards Series
- Present the **fundamental safety objective** and **10 principles** of protection and safety
- Provide the basis for the safety requirements
- Use “**MUST**” statements




IAEA Safety Standards
for protecting people and the environment

Fundamental Safety Principles

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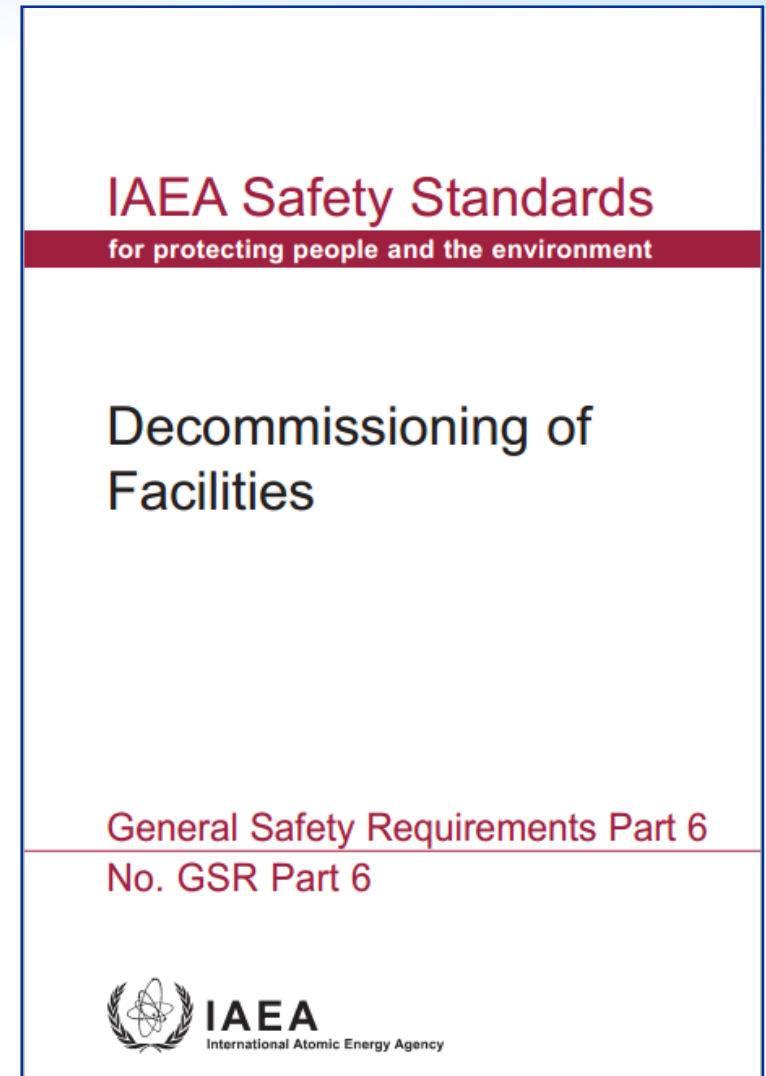


Safety Fundamentals
No. SF-1

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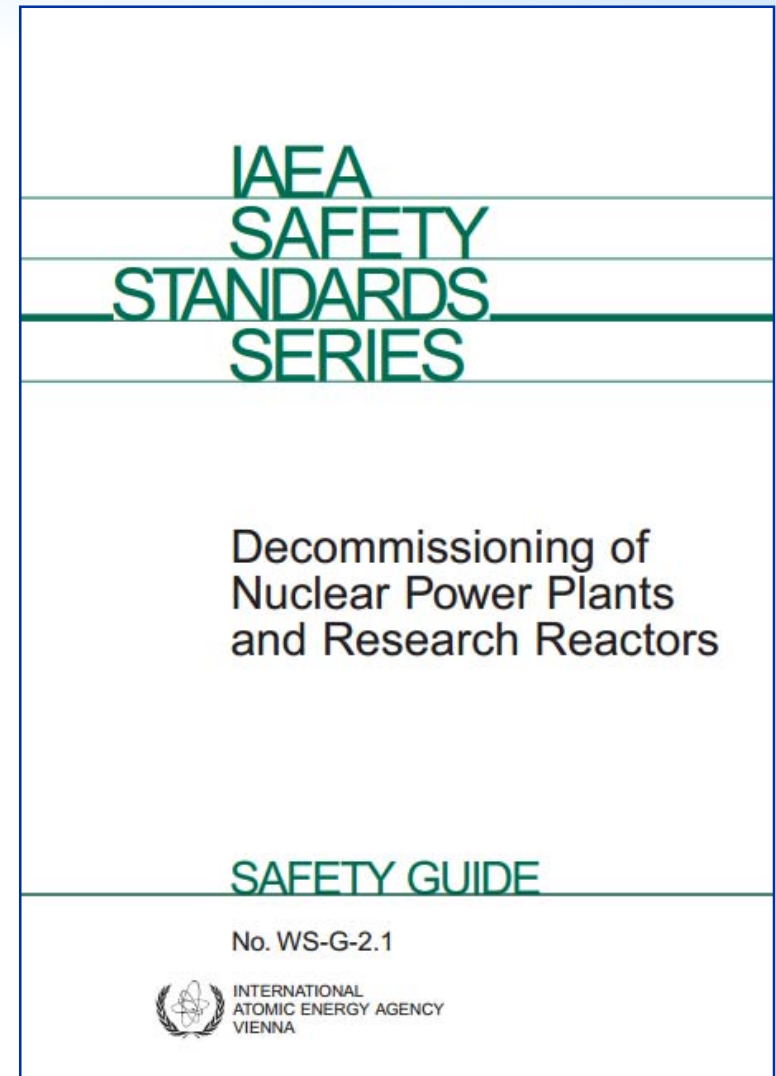
Safety Requirements

- General and specific SR
- Elaborate on the basic objective and the principles of SF-1, as they apply to a specific activity or facility
- Concise, reflect “**WHAT**”, “**WHO**” and “**WHEN**”; associated explanatory text describes “**WHY**” the requirements exist
- Use “**SHALL**” statements
- The format and style facilitate their use for establishment of national regulatory frameworks



Safety Guides

- General and specific safety guides
- Provide recommendations and guidance on **HOW** to comply with the safety requirements
- Present international good practices, and increasingly reflect best practices, to help users in achieving high levels of safety
- Use “**SHOULD**” statements



IAEA Action Plan on Nuclear Safety



The Action Plan was unanimously adopted in September 2011 as a response to the accident at the Fukushima Daiichi NPP.

Its purpose was to define a programme of work to strengthen the global nuclear safety framework

The Action Plan covered **12 key areas** of nuclear safety with a view to integrating the lessons learned from the Fukushima Daiichi Accident



Safety Assessments



IAEA Peer Reviews



Emergency Preparedness and Response



National Regulatory Bodies



Operating Organizations



IAEA Safety Standards



International Legal Framework



Member States Embarking on Nuclear Power



Capacity Building



Protection from Ionizing Radiation



Communication



Research & Development

Report on the Fukushima Daiichi Accident

Approximately **180 experts** from **over 40 Member States** and various **international bodies** were involved in the preparation of the report.



Report by the Director General



Technical Volume 1/5
Description and Context of the Accident



Technical Volume 2/5
Safety Assessment



Technical Volume 3/5
Emergency Preparedness and Response



Technical Volume 4/5
Radiological Consequences



Technical Volume 5/5
Post-accident Recovery



Report by the Director General

www-pub.iaea.org/books/IAEABooks/10962/The-Fukushima-Daiichi-Accident

Section 1: Introduction	The Report on the Fukushima Daiichi Accident					
Section 2: The accident and its assessment	Description of the accident	Nuclear safety considerations	Technical Volumes 1 & 2			
Section 3: Emergency preparedness and response	Initial response in Japan to the accident	Protecting emergency workers				Protecting the public
Section 4: Radiological consequences	Radioactivity in the environment	Protecting people against radiation exposure	Radiation exposure	Health effects	Radiological consequences for non-human biota	Technical Volume 4
Section 5: Post-accident recovery	Off-site remediation of areas affected by the accident	On-site stabilization and preparations for de-commissioning	Management of contaminated material and radioactive waste	Community revitalization and stakeholder engagement	Technical Volume 5	
Section 6: The IAEA response to the accident	IAEA activities	Meetings of the Contracting Parties to the Convention on Nuclear Safety	Technical Volumes 1 & 3			

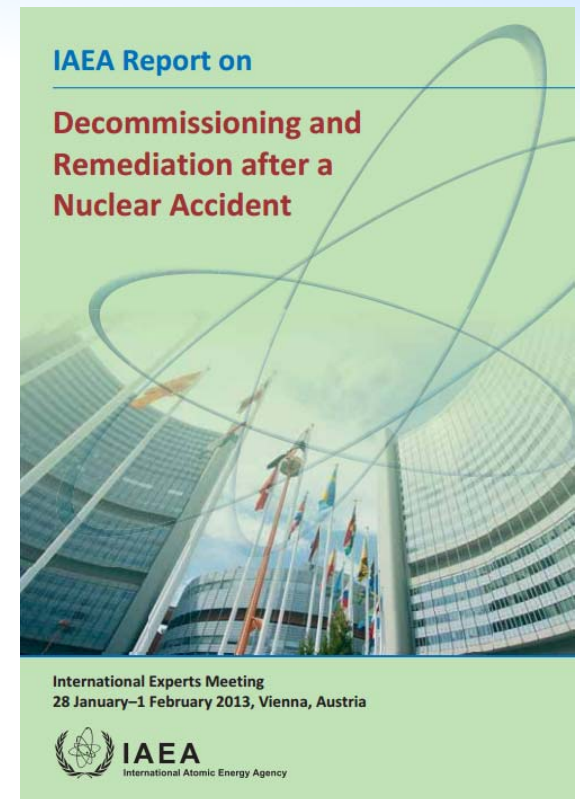


Key observations and lessons related to decommissioning:

- A **flexible** strategic plan for maintaining **long term stable conditions** and for the **decommissioning** is essential.
- Retrieving damaged fuel and fuel debris necessitate **solutions** that are **specific** to the accident.

IEM on Decommissioning and Remediation

- International Experts' Meeting on Decommissioning and Remediation after a Nuclear Accident took place in January 2013;
 - Attended by over 200 experts from 40 Member States;
 - Highlighted the lessons learned and emphasised the need for relevant authorities to develop a national strategy in advance of an accident to support the recovery phase;
 - The relevant authorities should develop decommissioning, remediation and waste management plans to support such strategy, which need to include an appropriate level of stakeholder participation;
 - Need appropriate programmes to characterize and monitor damaged nuclear fuel and radioactive waste;
 - Formed basis for IAEA Report on Decommissioning and Remediation after a Nuclear Accident (2013);

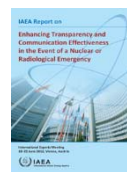


Reports capturing Lessons Learned

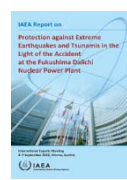
Published in 2012



Reactor and Spent Fuel Safety in the light of the Accident



Enhancing Transparency and Communication Effectiveness



Protection Against Extreme Earthquakes and Tsunamis

Published in 2014

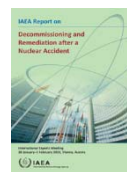


Human and Organizational Factors in Nuclear Safety



Radiation Protection: Promoting Confidence and Understanding

Published in 2013



Decommissioning and Remediation after a Nuclear Accident



Strengthening Nuclear Regulatory Effectiveness



Preparedness and Response for a Nuclear or Radiological Emergency

Published in 2015



Severe Accident Management



Strengthening Research and Development Effectiveness

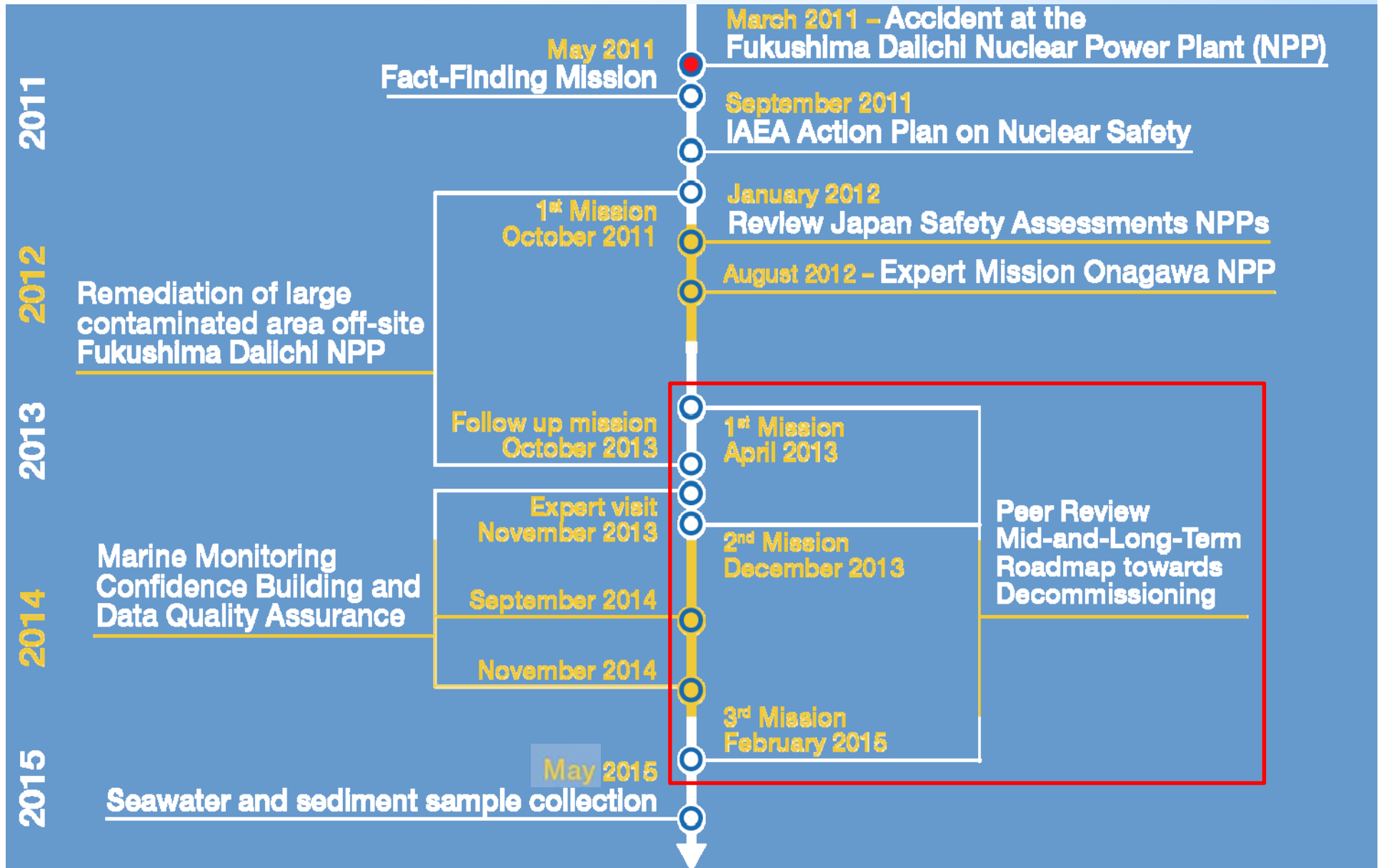


Assessment and Prognosis in Response to a Nuclear or Radiological Emergency



Capacity Building for Nuclear Safety

International Expert Missions



Mid-and-Long-Term Roadmap towards the Decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi NPP



- **1st mission – April 2013:**
 - Review of the Roadmap – the strategy, planning, timing and organizational structure
 - Preparations for the decommissioning licensing
 - Review of specific short-term issues:
 - Assessment of the situation of the reactors;
 - Management of radioactive releases and assessment of associated doses;
 - Reduction of radioactive exposure of the employees and on-site decontamination;
 - Structural integrity of reactor buildings and other constructions.
- **2nd mission – November-December 2013:**
 - Reviewed the marine monitoring performed by Japan under its Sea Area Monitoring Action Plan;
 - IAEA Marine Environment Laboratories in Monaco also observed sea water sampling in the vicinity of the Fukushima Daiichi NPP;
 - Concluded that Japan had adopted a proactive approach towards addressing the many complex challenges for decommissioning;
 - The final report was presented to the Government of Japan.
- **3rd mission – February 2015:**
 - Focussed on the safety and technological aspects of decommissioning, management of radioactive waste, control of underground water and accumulation of contaminated water at the site;
 - Reviewed the progress made since the first two review missions in 2013;
 - The mission Report was presented to Government of Japan in April 2015 and is available of the Agency's website;
 - The review team considered that Japan has achieved good progress in improving its strategy and associated plans, as well as allocating the necessary resources.

Final reports submitted to GoJ on 22 May 2013 and 12 February 2014 and published on:

https://www.iaea.org/sites/default/files/final_report120214.pdf

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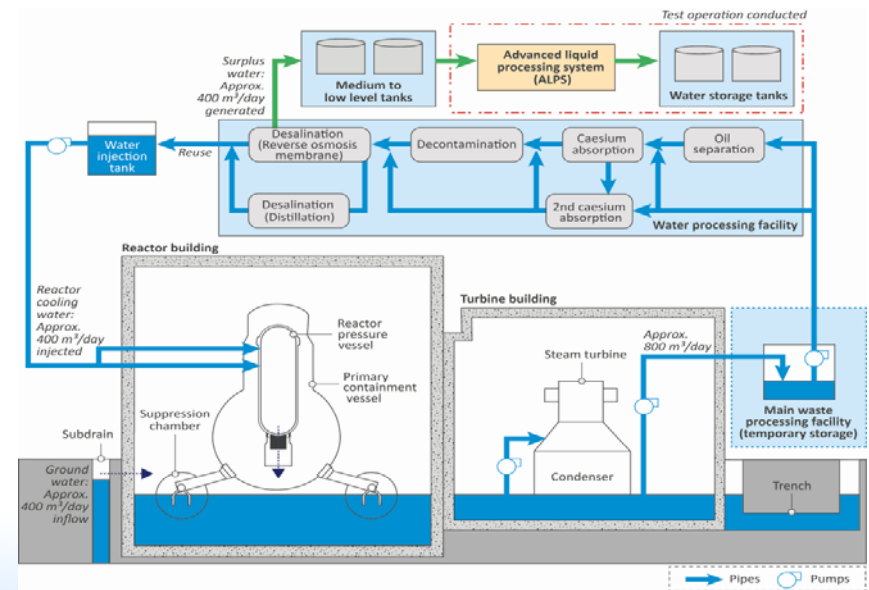
The Third Mission to F1 Decommissioning



IAEA 3rd Mission on F1 NPS Decomm. Main Findings (1/2)

- New organizational framework to enhance management of 1F decommissioning at operational and at strategic levels
 - ✓ New D&D branch of TEPCO (FDEC) to clarify responsibilities for decommissioning 1F
 - ✓ Nuclear Damage Compensation and Decommissioning Facilitation Corporation (NDF) as a national authority to develop strategy for the decommissioning
- Situation on-site had been improved since last IAEA mission 2013:

- ✓ Successful completion of spent fuel removal in U4
- ✓ Improvement of systems to clean contaminated water
- ✓ New more robust tanks to store water
- ✓ Operation of underground bypass
- ✓ Clean-up of site, reducing radiological dose to workers



Final reports published on:

<https://www.iaea.org/sites/default/files/missionreport130515.pdf>

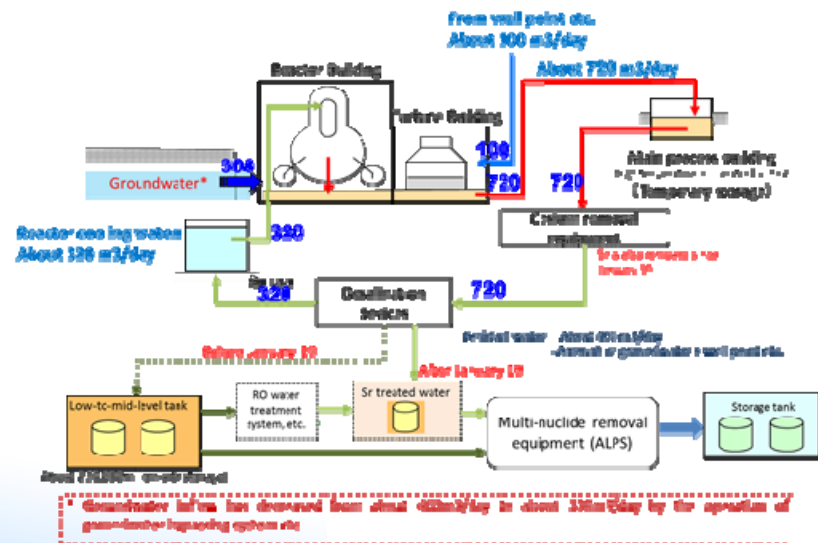
IAEA 3rd Mission on F1 NPS Decomm. Main Findings (2/2)

The IAEA team also encouraged Japan to continue implementing and enhancing its strategy to ensure the safe decommissioning and RWM. Continuing challenges include:

- ✓ persistent underground water ingress to main buildings and the accumulation of contaminated water on-site;
- ✓ the long-term management of radioactive waste; and
- ✓ issues related to the removal of spent nuclear fuel, damaged fuel and fuel debris removal.



4. Management of Contaminated Water - (1) Overview of the System





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***COOPERATION BETWEEN FUKUSHIMA
PREFECTURE AND IAEA
IN THE AREA OF
RADIATION MONITORING AND REMEDIATION***

**Efforts on Off-site Remediation
including
IAEA Assistance to Japan**

IAEA 2nd Mission on Remediation 2013



- **Period:** 14 to 21 October 2013
- **Objectives:**
 - Assistance to Japan in assessing progress on remediation of Special Decontamination Area and Intensive Contamination Survey Areas
 - Review remediation strategies, plans and works in view of advice from previous mission in 2011 (Follow-up)
 - Lessons learned to share with international community
- **Team:**
 - 13 experts
 - 3 experts WG-5 IAEA F1 Report



IAEA Mission on Remediation 2013. Conclusions



Final report submitted to GoJ on 23 January 2014 and published on:

https://www.iaea.org/sites/default/files/final_report230114.pdf

- **Main conclusion**

Japan is allocating enormous resources to developing strategies and plans and implementing remediation.

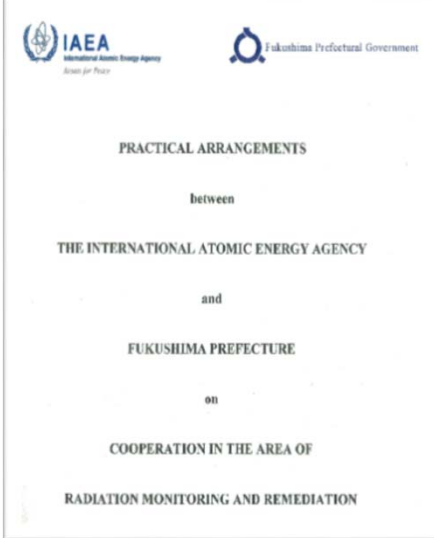
Japan has achieved good progress in remediation activities and has well considered the advice provided by previous mission in 2011.

Good coordination of remediation with reconstruction and revitalisation efforts.



Formal Agreements on collaboration between the IAEA and the Fukushima Prefecture

Cooperative Projects



Individual activities under the cooperation (selection)

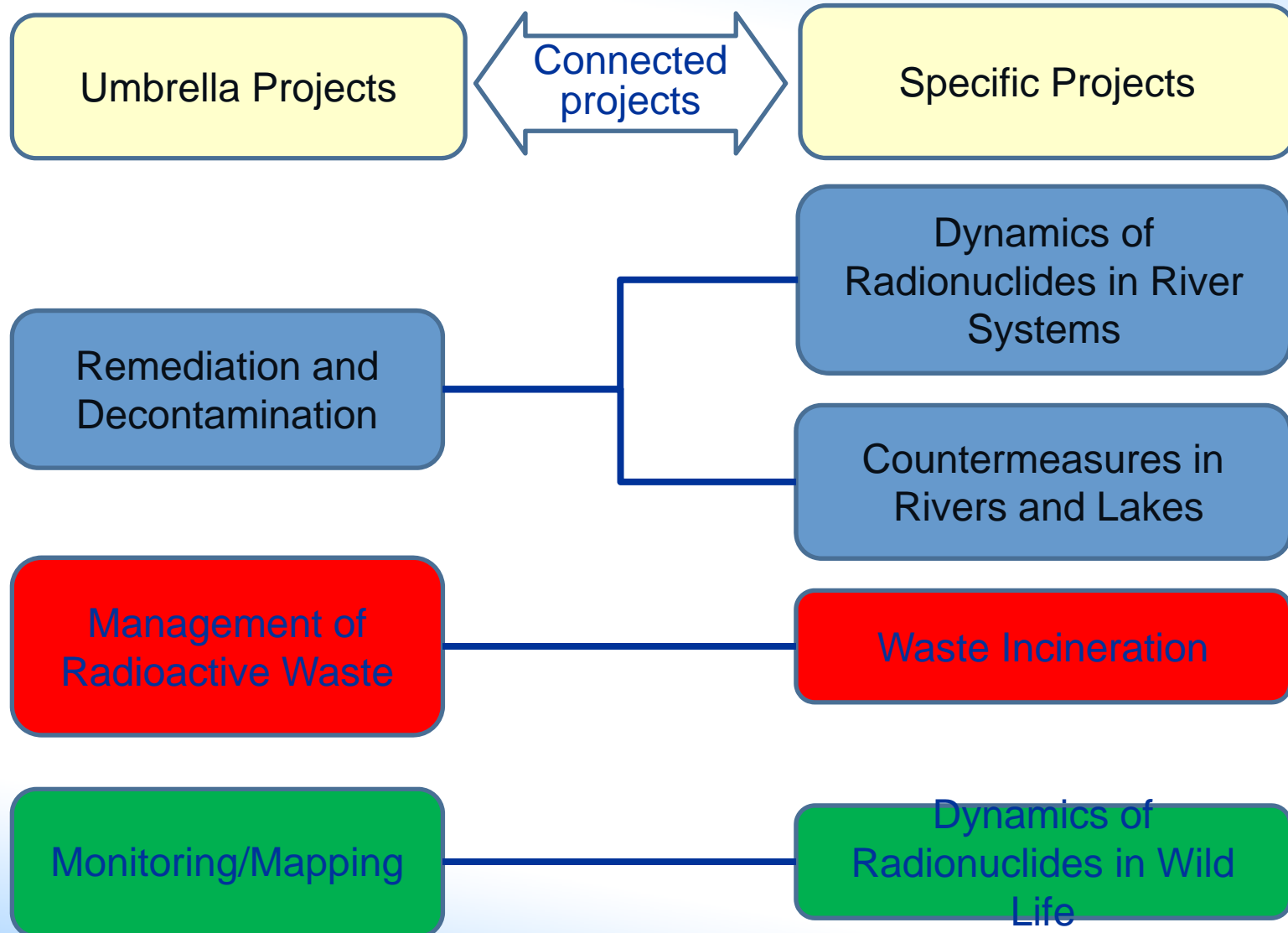


- To develop a safety assessment of temporary storage sites
- To assist in providing understandable information of monitoring results
- Providing guidance on cleaning up publicly accessible areas
- Guidance on specific feature of cleaning water systems (rivers, lakes, streams, etc.)
- Guidance on safe handling/retrieval of waste, and sustainable management of temporary storage sites

Activities assisted by IAEA



Practical Arrangements between IAEA and Fukushima Prefecture



Other IAEA assistance to Japan on F1 Related Issues

IAEA RANET Capacity Building Centre, Fukushima

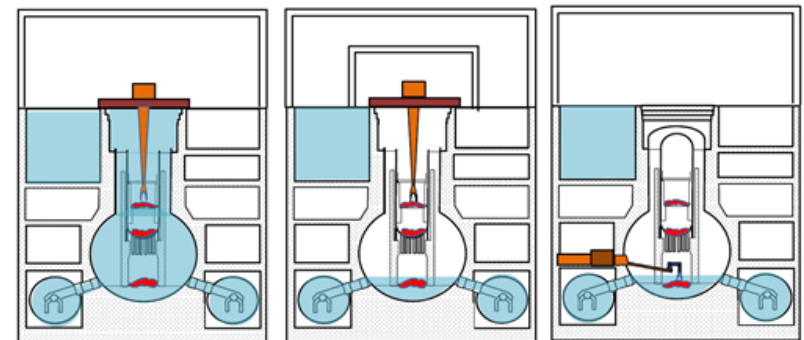
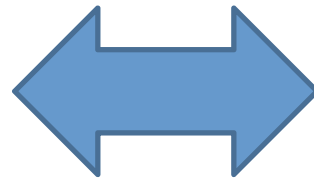


- Officially designated in May 2013
- Conducts Emergency Preparedness and Response workshops and capacity building for national and international participants
- Stores radiation monitoring equipment that can be deployed in Asia-Pacific region in case of a nuclear or radiological emergency



Remediation <=> Decommissioning

- Coordination between Off-site Remediation efforts and On-site Decommissioning of F1 is essential to further **Optimise** Japan's efforts towards the recovery after nuclear accident (IAEA Safety Fundamentals)



submersion method

Image on condition that the removal of core internals above fuel debris has finished.

dry top access method

Image on condition that the removal of core internals above fuel debris has finished.

dry side access method

Image on condition that RPV pedestal exterior component inside PCV and the interference have been removed.



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Thank you!

