

## SECURITY OF SMALL MODULAR REACTORS

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### KEY OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this workshop is to review and discuss all security matters related to the design, commissioning and operation of Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) including:

- ✓ SMR technologies and their impact on security
- ✓ Impact of SMRs on the regulatory framework, including challenges and opportunities
- ✓ Security by design; Nuclear Safety/Safeguards/Security Interfaces
- ✓ Cyber Security
- ✓ Impact of SMRs on the security of the fuel cycle facilities
- ✓ Engagement with stakeholders on SMR security

### DAY 1: WEDNESDAY 21<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2019

08:30 – 09:00 Registration / Coffee & Tea

#### **OPENING SESSION**

- 09:00 – 09:30 Welcome remarks and objectives of the workshop
- The Canadian Small Modular Reactor Roadmap (CNSC)
- 09:30 – 10:00 Participants introduction and expectations (Facilitator)
- 10:00 – 10:30 **Keynote presentation** on security considerations for small modular reactors (WINS)
- 10:30 – 10:45 Coffee break

#### **SESSION 1: SMR TECHNOLOGIES AND THEIR IMPACT ON SECURITY**

Key issues:

- ✓ What are the different SMR technologies currently under development (LWR, MSR, FNR, etc)?
- ✓ How does the choice of technology impact the security needs and why? What are the other key security considerations related to the deployment of SMRs?
- ✓ To what extent do these security needs differ from the ones for the existing nuclear facilities?

- 10:45 – 11:30 **Overview** of the status of different SMR technologies by IAEA (TBC)
- 11:30 – 12:00 **Presentation** on threats and security requirements
- 12:00 – 12:30 **Table discussion** on the design requirements for security based on the different technologies.
- 12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

#### **SESSION 2: IMPACT OF SMRs ON THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK**

Key issues:

- ✓ What is the expected impact of SMRs on the existing regulatory framework?
  - What is the current status of regulations for SMRs?

- What considerations are being given to new regulations?
- Are regulations likely to be prescriptive or outcome focused?
- ✓ How would the size of Emergency Planning Zones (EPZ) be affected by SMRs?  
Would there be a new assessment of Loss of Large Areas (LOLA) and Integrated Response Planning (IRP)?

**13:30 – 14:00** **Presentation** on an international perspective on security regulations

**14:00 – 14:30** **Presentation** on addressing the licensing process. Nuclear security regulations approach to SMRs by Yves Poirier from CNSC

**14:30 – 15:15** **Panel discussion**

- How to ensure inclusive consideration of SMRs to inform any required modification to nuclear security regulations;
- How to effectively enhance nuclear security regulations

**15:15 – 15:30** **Coffee break**

**15:30 – 16:00** **Table discussion** to consolidate the next steps for the regulator

### **SESSION 3: IMPLEMENTING SECURITY BY DESIGN. MANAGING INTERFACES WITH SAFEGUARDS AND SAFETY**

Key issues:

- ✓ To what extent can the Design Basis Threat (DBT) be taken into account in the design process? How do we anticipate and incorporate long-term threats?
- ✓ How can we implement security by design during siting, design, construction, operation and decommissioning of SMRs?
- ✓ To what extent can safety methodologies be used to calculate and justify security arrangements? How can we optimise security, safety and safeguards synergies?

**16:00 – 16:30** **Presentation** on *security by design* by Sean Belyea from CNSC

**16:30 – 17:00** **Table discussion** to identify good practices for developers and potential operators to address security in the early stages of the design

**17:00** **Workshop cocktail**

### **DAY 2: THURSDAY 21<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2019**

**09:00 – 09:15** Key findings of Day 1 and objectives of Day 2 (Facilitator)

### **SESSION 3 (Cont.): IMPLEMENTING SECURITY BY DESIGN. MANAGING INTERFACES WITH SAFEGUARDS AND SAFETY**

**09:15 – 09:45** **Presentation** on *security interfaces with safeguards and safety*

**09:45 – 10:15** **Table discussion** to identify how to effectively manage security, safety and safeguard interfaces to reduce the cost of nuclear security

**10:15 – 10:30** **Coffee break**

**10:30 – 11:00** **Case study** on *assessing security effectiveness on a proposed design*

**11:00 – 11:30** **Panel discussion** on *reducing security costs* (Developers)

- Are we anticipating a significant reduction in term of security costs and to what extent?
- What is the expected cost of security?

- What needs to be achieved in terms of the security expenditures (capital and operating budgets) in order to make SMRs cost competitive?

#### SESSION 4: INTEGRATED APPROACH TO CYBERSECURITY

Key issues:

- ✓ What are the potential threats to SMRs posed by cyberattacks?
- ✓ Are there cybersecurity challenges from an insider threat perspective?
- ✓ Are cyberattacks any more significant or of concern than for a conventional LWR?

11:30 – 12:00 **Presentation** on identifying and addressing the evolving cyberthreat by Eric Lemoigne from CNSC

12:00 – 12:30 **Table discussion**

- What are the specific risks related to IT and IC systems?
- What are the cybersecurity challenges from an insider threat perspective?
- Over the lifetime of the SMRs' operation, what developments could positively or negatively affect the security arrangements?

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch**

#### SESSION 5: IMPACT OF SMRs ON THE SECURITY OF THE FUEL CYCLE

Key issues:

- ✓ What are expected changes in the fuel cycle processes and practices? Do they have any security implications?
- ✓ What transport needs are foreseen? Does the transport of SMRs present any new security challenges?
- ✓ Could international transport be an issue? Would there need to be new international transport agreements between States when transporting SMRs?

13:30 – 14:00 **Presentation** on key relevant impacts of the SMR in the fuel cycle

14:00 – 14:30 **Presentation** on security transport considerations

14:30 – 15:00 **Table discussion** to review security implications of new processes and practices associated with the operation of SMRs

15:00 – 15:15 **Coffee break**

#### CONCLUSION SESSION

15:15 – 16:00 **Remarks on *Implications for Stakeholder Engagement and Communication***

**Reviewing key findings of the workshop and Way forward**

- What are the key lessons that have arisen from this workshop? What are the main take-aways for Vendors, Operators and Regulators?
- What questions and challenges remain unaddressed?
- How can we ensure a follow-up to the key findings?

16:00 – 16:30 Evaluation of the workshop and closing remarks

16:30 **END OF WORKSHOP**