

Ciaran McGoldrick

From: Chief Executive
Sent: 11 January 2021 16:38
To: Ciaran McGoldrick
Subject: FW: CNFE Mail: Earthquake near Krsko NPP / Slovenia

Hi Ciaran,

Hope you are keeping well and happy new year.

Please see below email for noting at your next SPC meeting.

Kind regards,

Caroline

From: CNFE
Sent: 11 January 2021 16:30
To: cnfe@goja.or.at
Subject: CNFE Mail: Earthquake near Krsko NPP / Slovenia

Dear Mayor, dear Councillor, dear colleague,

The CNFE secretariat wishes you a good and healthy 2021. This year 10 years ago, the world was shocked by the nuclear accident in Fukushima. It was this accident that initiated the founding of our network, Cities for a Nuclear Free Europe. Also 35 year ago the nuclear accident in Chernobyl caused a worldwide nuclear fallout. We will certainly come back to these events, later this year.

At the end of last year, we were brutally reminded that such accidents can happen anytime in Europe too.

On 29 December an earthquake hit Croatia hard. A series of earthquakes, with the heaviest a magnitude of 6.4, had their epicenter just south of CNFE member Zagreb. Not far away, just across the border lies the Slovenian town Krsko. Here an almost 40 years old nuclear plant is located. According to information available, an immediate shutdown of the reactor was initiated by the earthquake. The increasing earthquake activity in recent years has shown that the site of the power plant that went into operation in 1983 is a permanent risks in the center of Europe.

The power plant has reached the end of its foreseen life and the location has often been criticized by experts because of the risk of earthquakes. It is located only 80 km from the epicenter of the youngest earthquake.

This time nothing serious has happened. After a check on any damage, the plant was restarted again the next day. Nothing serious has happened, this time. But the earthquake in Croatia proves again that there is litterly no room for nuclear power in Europe.

Please do not hesitate to contact us, if you have any question or remark.

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