# Invitation to the

# Summer School on Nuclear Decommissioning and Waste Management

# on 6-10 September 2021, online

Hosted online by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) the science and knowledge service of the European Commission



### What is nuclear decommissioning?

When a nuclear facility ceases its normal operation, a multifaceted process of dismantling, decontamination and other works will start. 'Decommissioning' means all these steps leading to the release of a nuclear facility from regulatory control.

# A career in nuclear decommissioning and waste management offers:

- A job in an emerging domain, with perspectives of career development
- Facing many technological challenges
- Requiring, over a long term, competences in various disciplines
- Opportunities for mobility
- Serving a 'noble cause', as it aims at restoring a safe environment.

# The course offers:

A 5-day overview of the main aspects of nuclear decommissioning and waste management through classroom training, visits of the JRC-Ispra nuclear facilities and practical case studies.

A voluntary test (for students who wish to obtain a course certificate).

A final 'job fair' to meet representatives of some European industrial companies working in decommissioning.





# Why following a course on nuclear decommissioning?

In the European Union several nuclear facilities are closed or may stop their operation in the coming decade. The need to proceed with decommissioning creates a potential for new industrial activities. The availability of qualified personnel to support the emerging decommissioning market is an asset for the European industry.

# Who is the course organised for?

The present JRC-Ispra Summer School is addressed to students with a graduate degree pursuing a master in the area of engineering, science and technology, who have not yet a professional activity and want to profit from their holidays' time to enrich their curriculum in an area that offers new technological challenges.



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# **COURSE PROGRAMME**

#### **Monday 6 September**

#### INTRODUCTION

What does a nuclear facility look like? What are 'decommissioning and waste management'? Why is it important? How is it organised in Europe?

INTRODUCTION TO RADIATION PROTECTION What are radiation risks? How to protect ?

### **Tuesday 7 September**

# NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING in detail

What are the techniques for decontamination and dismantling? How to restore a clean environment?

### VIRTUAL VISIT of the JRC-ISPRA NUCLEAR SITE

### Wednesday 8 September

NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING experiences Examples of decommissioning realisations. Safety studies. Cost assessments.

NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING practical case studies in virtual groups

### **Thursday 9 September**

RADIOACTIVE WASTE What has to be done with the waste?

RADIOACTIVE WASTE VIRTUAL demos & exercises from JRC-ISPRA

### Friday 10 September

SOCIETAL ASPECTS How to answer the concerns of the society?

FINAL VOLUNTARY TEST FOR CERTIFICATE

# How to register?

If you are interested, please fill-in the application form attached to the invitation and mail it with copy of your student card to Daniela Santopolo: <u>daniela.santopolo@ec.europa.eu</u>

Your application will be reviewed and you will receive as a next step a confirmation and detailed logistic information.

The course is limited to 100 participants.

## How to participate?

All lectures, visits, demos and exercises will be held virtually and in real-time from the JRC-Ispra site in Italy.

Once you application has been confirmed, you will receive the necessary links to connect you.

Presence certificates will be mailed at the end of the course.

Course certificates will be delivered to students having passed successfully the voluntary final test.

## How much does it cost?

The course is supported by the European Commission Joint Research Centre and is thus free of charge for accepted students. The Summer School is part of the

# **European ELINDER project**

aiming to raise the interest of students and professionals and to stimulate careers in this important and emerging field, by offering a set of attractive theoretical and practical learning opportunities. The Summer School on Nuclear Decommissioning and Waste Management is one of the Generic ELINDER Courses, introducing the topic of nuclear decommissioning



For more information on ELINDER: ELINDER website

### For questions on ELINDER please contact:

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