



The competitiveness and necessity of SMRs

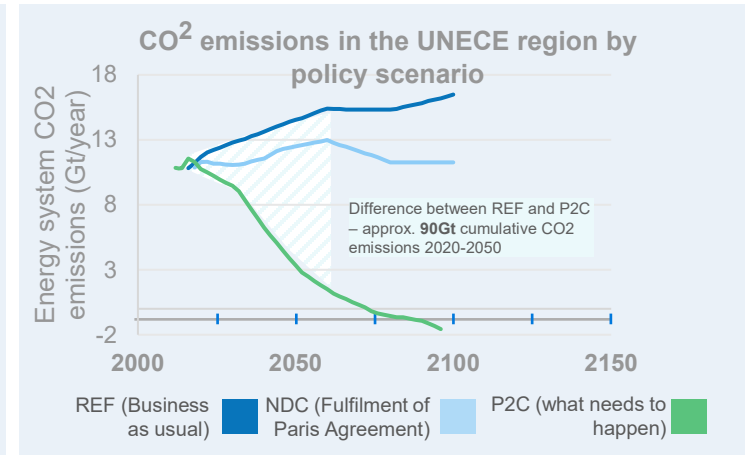
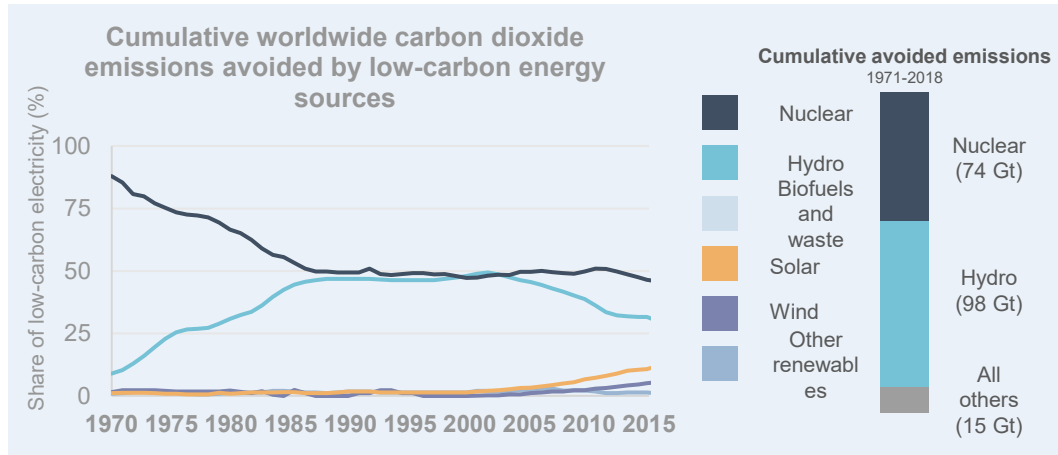
The diversified NextGen Nuclear Power

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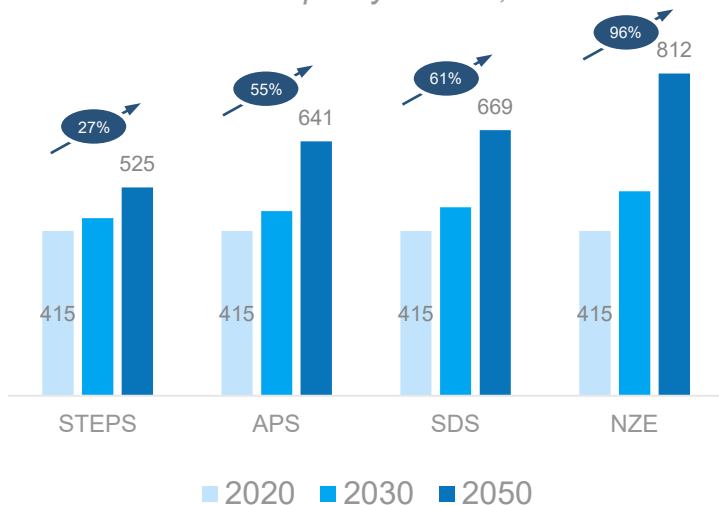
The world stands before a massive challenge. Decarbonization needs to happen fast, at scale.



All IEA energy climate scenarios projects nuclear capacity growth will be needed by 2050

Ranging from 8–24% capacity increase by 2030, and 27–96% by 2050 depending on climate ambition achievement scenarios

Nuclear capacity outlook, GW



STEPS

Assumes no additional policy implementation beyond existing policies and under development measures

→ Capacity of nuclear almost stagnates, mainly growing solely in Asia

APS

Assumes government climate commitments will be met and on time. Gap remains towards 2050 according to Paris agreement 2015.

→ Capacity of nuclear increases by 12% and 55% respectively

SDS

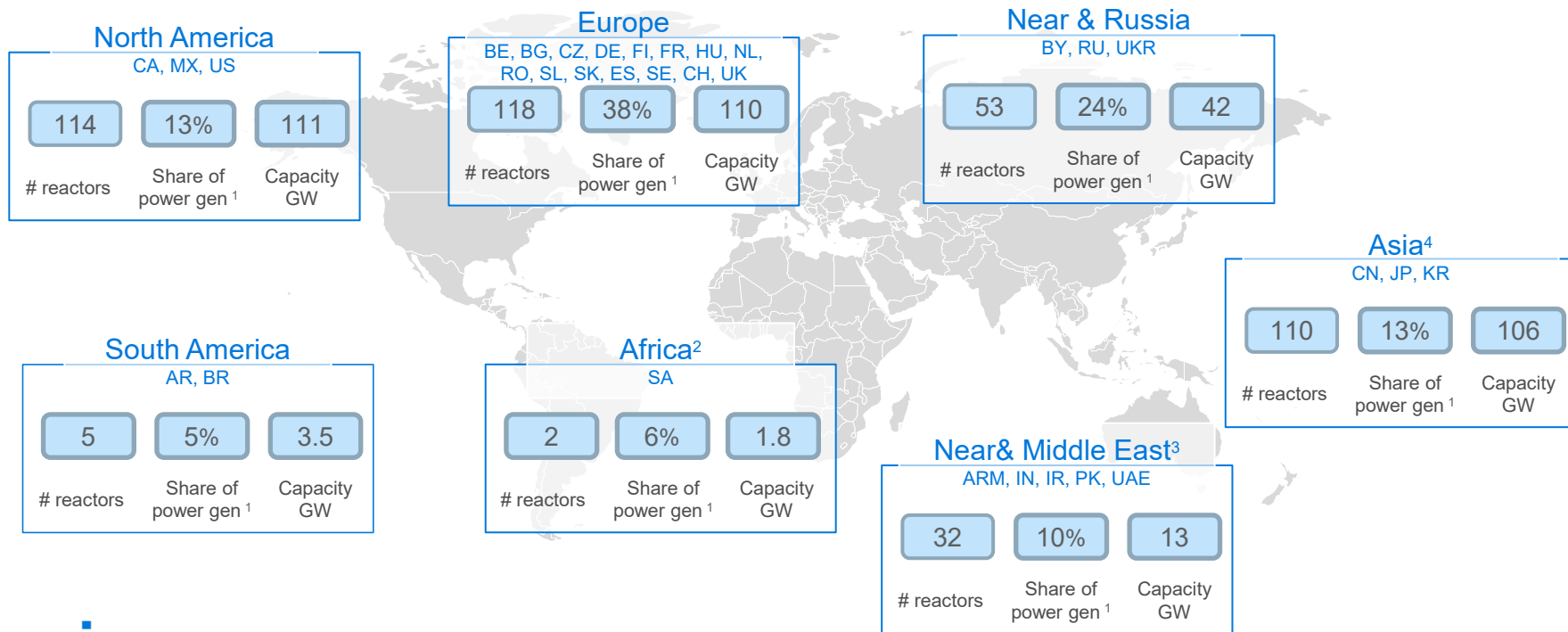
Represents a “well below 2 °C” pathway and a gateway to achieving the outcomes targeted by the Paris Agreement, and all energy related SDGs¹. Adv. Economies reach net zero by ‘50, China in ‘60 → quite positive scenario for nuclear power

NZE

Presents the narrow yet achievable pathway towards net zero CO₂ emissions by 2050. SDGs are also achieved, and global temperature rises to max 1.5°

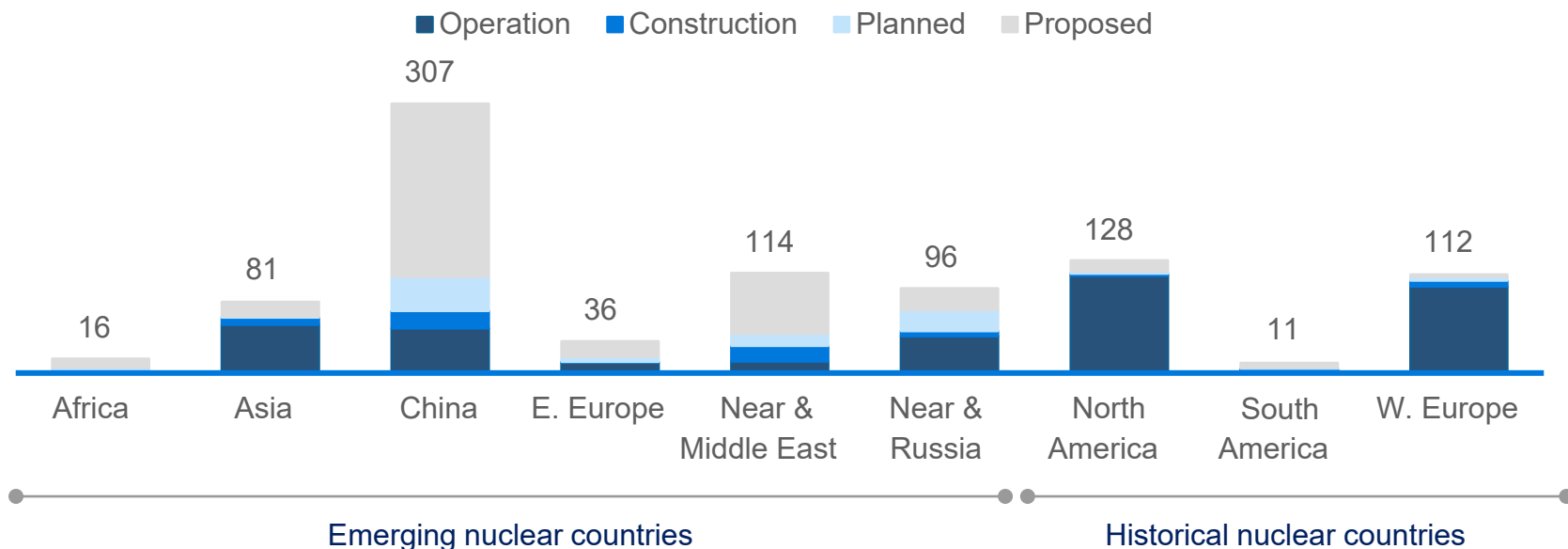
→ extraordinary scenario for Nuclear power, which almost doubles

Today, nuclear capacity is concentrated in the northern hemisphere, with a large share in the power generation



Growth mainly driven by emerging markets. The majority of the historical markets replacing a retiring fleet

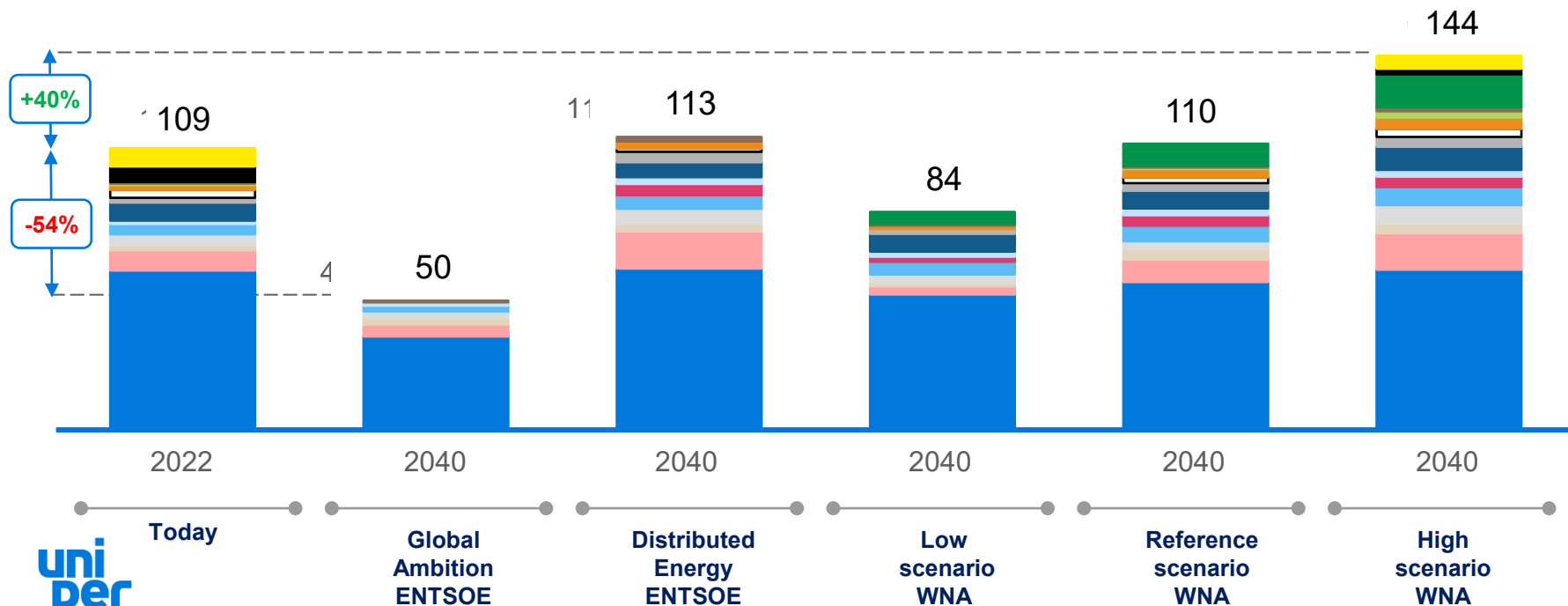
Global Nuclear capacity in GW



In Europe, Nuclear faces uncertain prospects, ranging from -54% to +40% of today's capacity by 2040

Nuclear capacity in Europe (Gwe)

FR UK SK FI CZ PL RO SE BG CH HU NL SI TR BE ES



Source: ENTSOE Ten-year network development plan TYNDP2020

Several factors are shaping this challenge - Is nuclear power a realistic solution for Europe's transition?



Reduce reliance on **RU gas**, while ensuring security of supply



European **Taxonomy** including Nuclear



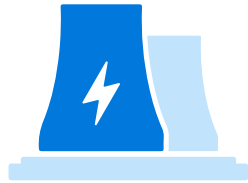
Decarbonization and challenging volatile production



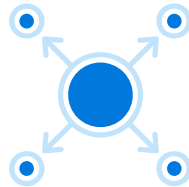
Industry electrification and **rising electricity demand**

In a rapidly changing energy system with intermittent power production, nuclear power offers a good balance

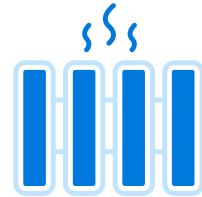
Nuclear power characteristics can complement the energy system, when moving towards an increased penetration of intermittent renewable power generation



Baseload capacity



Decentralization





Cogeneration




Grid stabilization

Nuclear power technology can briefly be divided in reactor technology, and design & production

1 — Innovation in reactor' technology

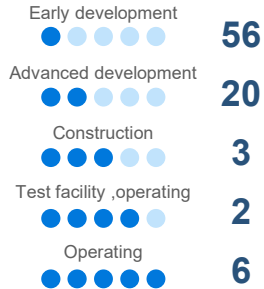
Conventional (Gen III+)	Advanced (Gen IV)
	
<i>Maturity</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Traditional water reactor▶ Experience licensing & logistics▶ Lower T^o process heat	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Liquid metals, molten salts or gas▶ Inexperienced licensing & logistics▶ High T^o process heat

2 — Innovation in design & production

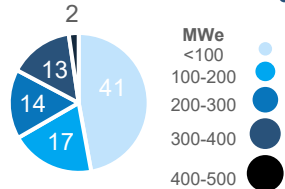
SMALL	MODULAR
Lower complexity 2-300 Mwe (vs 1200GW)	Series-production (standardization) On-site assembling
	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Reduced complexity▶ Faster deployment (1.5-4yr)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Flexibility for the end user (matching demand w/ capacity)▶ Lower fabrication/ construction costs

Innovation is thriving with +90 SMR projects globally

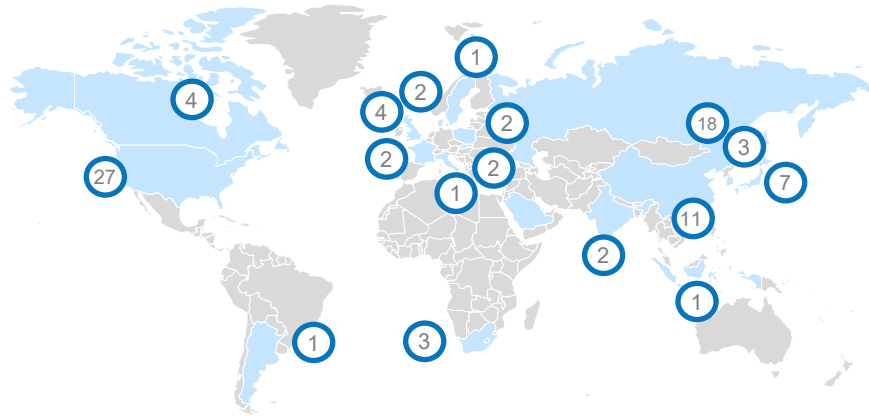
Project status



Size



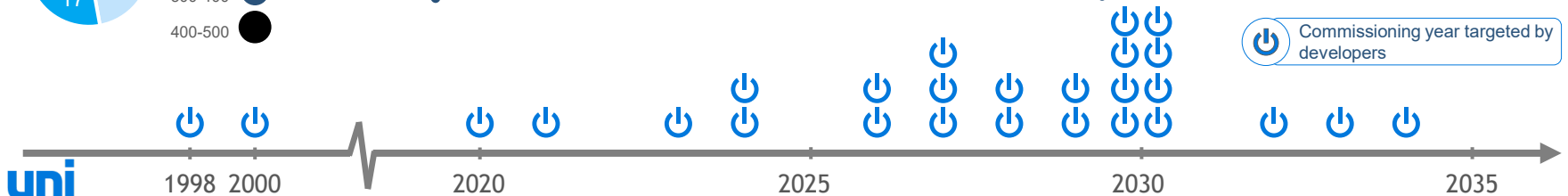
Geographical spread



Technologies

- 28 Water cooled
- 16 High temperature gas cooled
- 16 Fast neutron reactor
- 13 Molten salt reactor
- 8 Micro sized
- 7 Water cooled (marine)
- 3 Water cooled (heavy)

Ambitious planned project timeline



SMR can be applicable for a range of energy applications beyond power generation

+ Additional application areas Applications areas (10) and Reactor types (4) temperature

Market overview



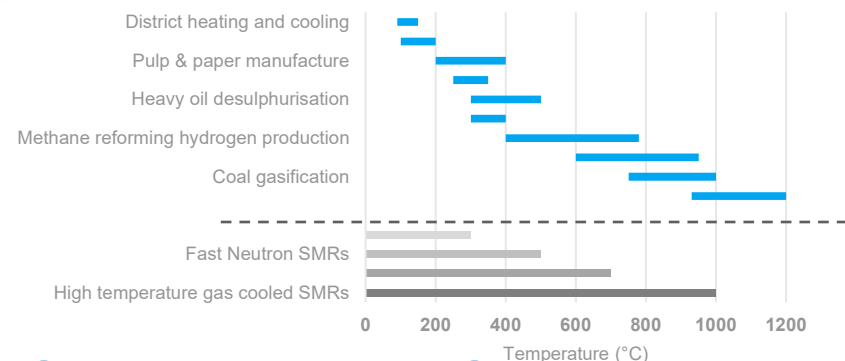
There are a multitude of additional services and products that can be created through SMR



Dependent on the reactor type, nuclear reactors can be used to produce heat to certain temperatures enabling a multitude of different services



For multi-unit SMRs, the ability to add modules incrementally could also allow investors to adjust to changes in electricity demand and cash flow/financing availability, thus improving the management of financial risks.



Industry Coupling

Placing energy production nearby large consumers could be the future when it comes to large facilities being commissioned for both industry feedstock (chemical industry) and energetic (low/medium/high-grade industry heat).

District Heating

A small nuclear reactor that makes low-grade heat can be a very simple design. For example, such reactor could sit at the bottom of a “swimming pool” and just heat the water that is then used for district heating. Because no electricity is produced, it doesn’t need pressure vessels, steam generators or turbines.

Hydrogen

High temperature gas cooled SMRs could be especially prominent for hydrogen production by producing steam for more efficient electrolysis. SMR-based hydrogen and heat could be used for instance in petroleum refinery on-site. Light-water reactor with topping heat or higher temperature reactor would be suitable.

Adjacent use cases

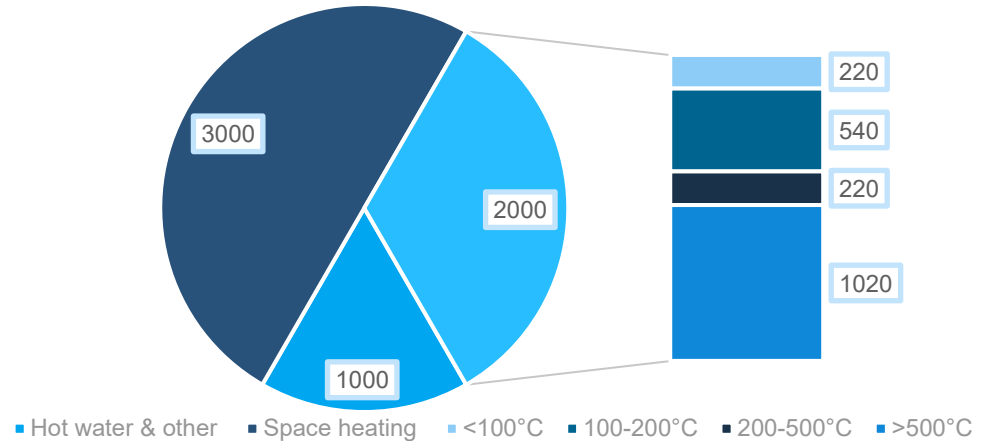
Adjacent use cases include for example **direct air capture and petroleum refinery**. DAC is an emerging carbon capture method, but combining it with SMR is still expensive and unproven solution.

District heating use large parts of energy consumption

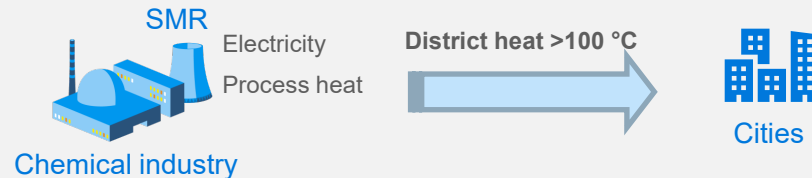
SMRs could be a key source for rapid decarbonization

- Nuclear reactors have traditionally been used for electricity production, but **modular applications might make it more possible for heat production**
- Large, conventional nuclear power plants are built to produce 3-4 GW of heat whereas **heating networks, for example in Finland, fit around 200-400 MW of heat supply from a single plant**
- SMRs would therefore be a **perfect size-fit especially for smaller grids**. Small size could also allow new economic- and safety approaches as **plants could be built closer to cities and heating networks**
- SMRs have **smaller reactor cores than conventional reactors** and many other safety features which minimizes the exclusion zone which in turn enables reactor placement closer to cities using district heating
- District heating is especially lucrative option for the **Nordic countries** with district heating network, but also **many Eastern European countries** are looking to replace fossil-based heating systems. SMR opportunities for CHPs have also been noted in the UK

European Heat Demand by End-Use (Terawatt Hours per Year)



SMRs can provide heat both for the industry and residential buildings. Simultaneously it can be located close to end-use

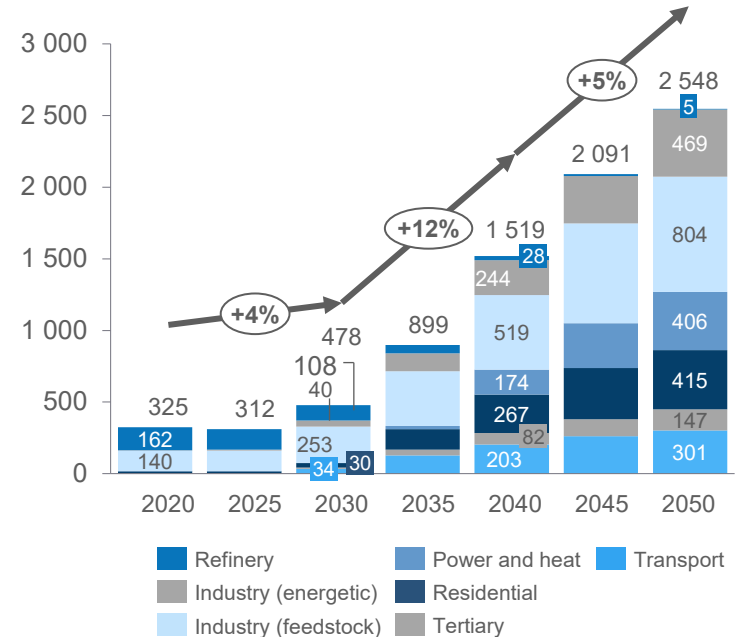


Fossil free hydrogen produced through nuclear/SMR would support the strong increase in hydrogen demand

- Hydrogen is currently one of the **most prominent application cases for small nuclear reactors**. SMRs could offer flexible and dispatchable option for hydrogen production and support production from wind and solar
- If the LCOE of SMRs can drop \$65/MWh, it could already be competitive against renewables in hydrogen production.**
- Hydrogen can be produced **using high-temperature steam electrolysis**. High temperature gas cooled SMRs could be especially promising for hydrogen production by producing steam for more efficient electrolysis
- Hydrogen can also be **combined with CO and CO₂ to create synthetic fuels** (e.g. methanol). These chemicals are energy dense, easy to store and transport
- H2 probably a niche in **transport** (fuel cell for heavy duty trucks), but **H2-based production of synthetic fuels** for maritime and aviation will drive demand
- The **hydrogen demand in heating** both residential and industrial uses will increase driven by oil and gas phase-outs
- In the future decades, SMRs could be one of the best-value sources for hydrogen production, but **in the short term nuclear based hydrogen production should be accompanied with electricity production to be economical**
- Hydrogen can be produced during **low electricity demand or when renewables energy load is high**



Hydrogen Demand by Sector EU27+UK+NO+CH (TWh)



The cost of developing SMR's heavily dependent on the license processes – which varies between countries

Cost of SMR development

Develop and license design

The large part of the cost for developing a new SMR reactor lies in designing the reactor and getting it licensed by relevant regulators. Especially the cost of licensing the design can vary between countries/design and can be hard to estimate.

Demonstrator

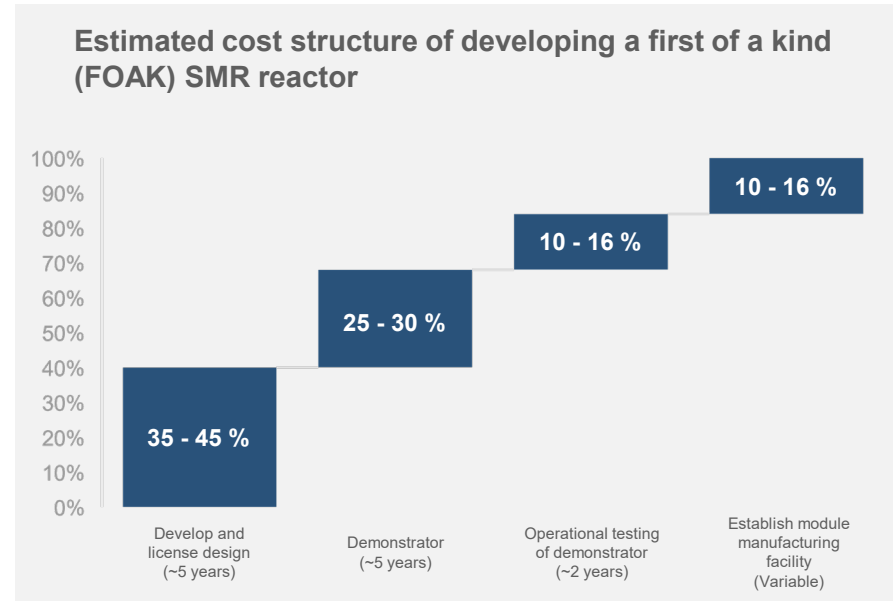
The second largest part of the cost is to build a demonstrator reactor to prove the net production and technology of the reactor, before building a commercial version of the reactor

Operational testing

Then there is the cost of operating the demonstrator in order to get the data needed for evaluation

Module manufacturing facility

Finally, there is the cost for building and establishing the manufacturing facility for the modular production of reactors



...Yet, for the technology to breakthrough, government financial backing is a big enabler

United Kingdom



- June 2020: UK government awarded £40 million in funding to support advanced nuclear development
- March 2022: UK Government has initiated the approval process for Rolls-Royce's small modular nuclear reactors (SMRs)
- UKRI confirms funding¹ of £36M for Rolls Royce SMR design

Finland



- The potential use of SMRs for district heating and electricity generation being studied at the VTT technical research center of Finland

Netherlands



- December 2021: NL government places \$564 million as earmarked to support new nuclear build in the period to 2025

Poland



- September 2020: Polish climate minister plan to construct six new NPP by 2040 with \$40 billion in expected investment

Estonia



- June 2021: Swedish state-owned energy company Vattenfall invest \$1.2 million in Estonian nuclear energy start-up

Sweden










- Uniper SE, LeadCold and KTH to construct 80 MW_{th} SMR SEALER demonstrator by 2030
- February 2022: It has received \$ 10.6 MUSD funding from the Swedish Energy Agency

France



- February 2022: New investments announced up to €500 million of the French SMR (Nuward)
- Another €500 million are planned for innovative nuclear reactor concepts

A country evaluation of new nuclear power potential

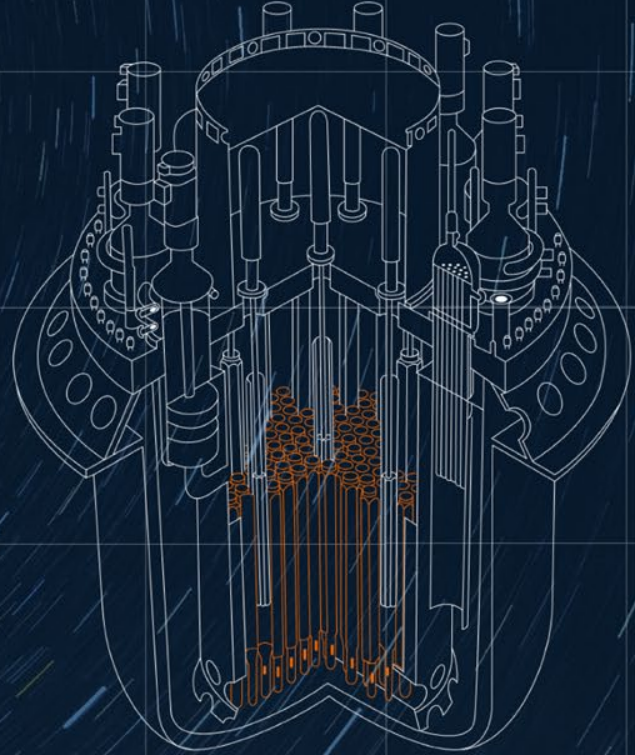
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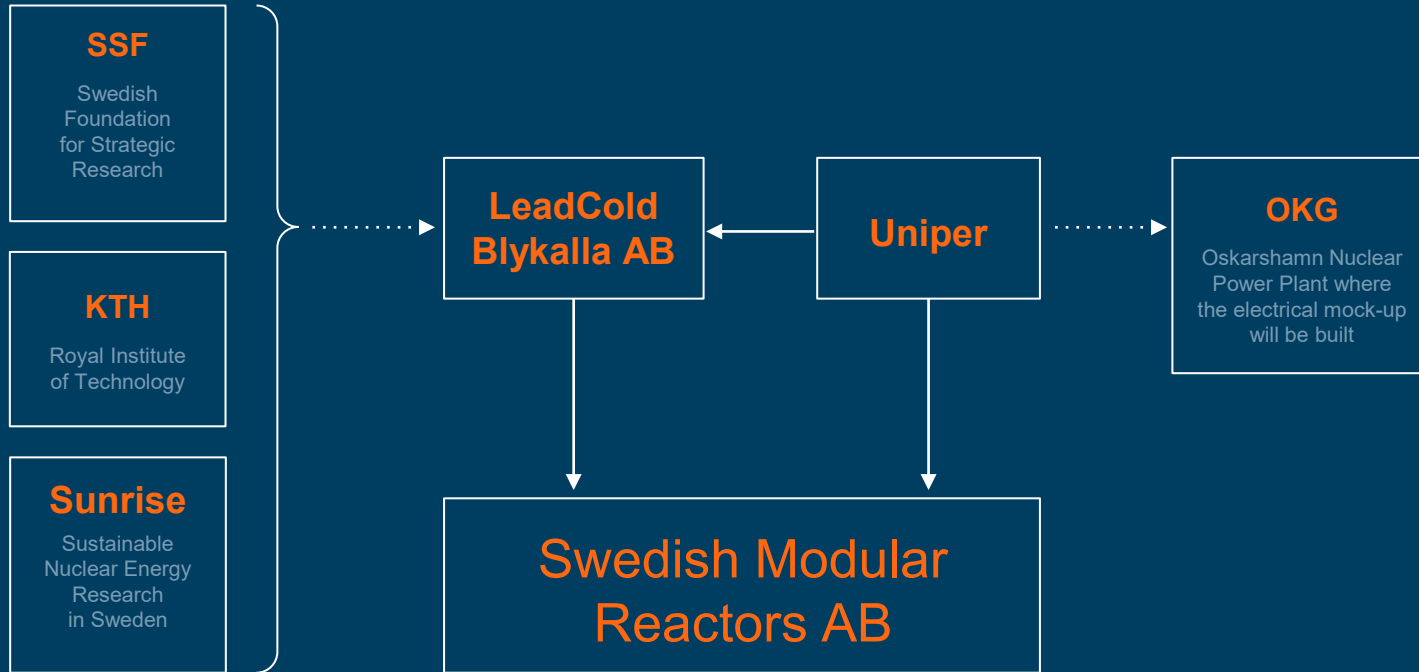
These countries are interesting from a new build perspective. Especially the UK and Finland, followed by Sweden and the Netherlands. From a system perspective, nuclear is a suitable source for all countries as an enabler source for industry electrification and decarbonization

SMR AB LEAP INTO A NET-ZERO FUTURE

A Lead-Cooled Modular Reactor



A COLLABORATIVE VENTURE



VOLUME COMPARISON

Small Modular Reactors < 300 MW

2020

NuScale

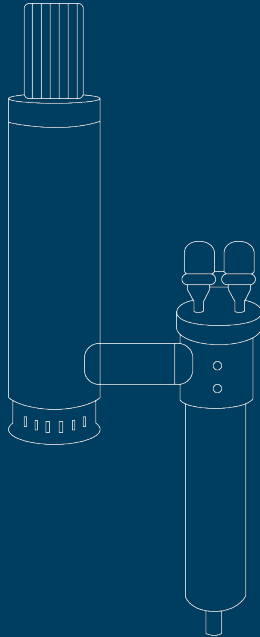
Water



2022

Xe-100

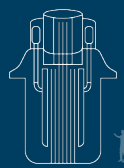
Helium



2026

Sealer-55

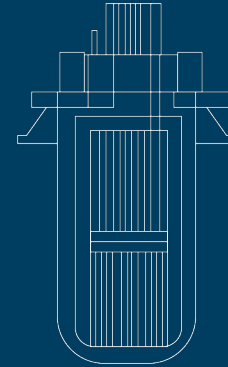
Lead



2027

Arc

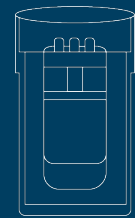
Sodium



20XX

TerraPower

Salt



Our Roadmap

SUNRISE



Design, test and qualify pump impellers and material for the research reactor Ca € 6 mn

2021-2026

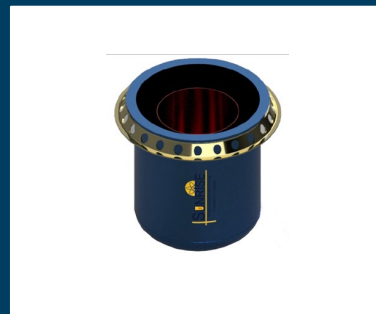
Sealer-E (2,5 MW_{th})



Electrically heated prototype
Ca € 25 mn

2021-2024

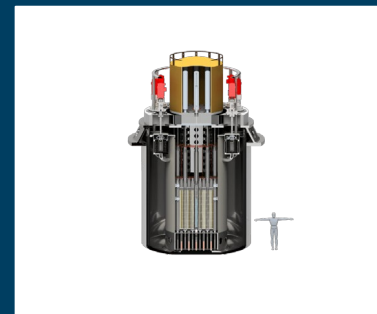
Sealer-D (80 MW_{th})



Nuclear demonstration
Reactor
Ca € 150 mn

2030

Sealer-55 (140 MW_{th})



Commercial
Product

2032



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