



The Norwegian Cooperation programme with (RO/BU)

Safe Nuclear Energy – Regional Excellence Programme	
Bulgaria	
Programme Promoter:	Partner (main):
Nuclear Regulatory Agency (NRA)	Norwegian Radiation Protection Authority (NRPA)
Type of Applicant:	Type of partner:
National authority	National authority
	Other partners: Kozloduy Nuclear Power Plant, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).
Grant amount awarded:	Total eligible programme cost:
EUR 1.100.000	EUR 1.294.000
Grant rate:	Case no:
85%	2008/115264
Planned programme duration: Oct 2009 – Apr 2011	Programme web-site: http://www.bnra.bas.bg http://www.nrpa.no

Short programme description:

The overall objective of the programme is to enhance the nuclear safety in Bulgaria. The programme is divided into four projects and covers such areas as safety culture assessment and enhancement, improvement of emergency preparedness and response arrangements in Bulgaria.

Expected results:

All activities are implemented through IAEA extra budgetary programme with the aim to reduce the risk of nuclear accidents at the same time improving preparedness and response of emergency organizations/personnel in Bulgaria. The program seeks to develop and enhance competencies of the regulator and operator. If proved to be successful, this programme model can be replicated and applied in other countries as well. More substantial results include improvement in the assessment of the safety culture at NRA, improvement of the safety culture assessment programme at Kozloduy Nuclear Power Plant, a programme for identification of scenarios and vulnerable areas related to nuclear transport, and performance of an emergency exercise at Kozloduy Nuclear Power Plant.