



September 25-27, 2013

SPANISH NUCLEAR SOCIETY





PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to present the 39th Annual Meeting of the Spanish Nuclear Society, to be held in Reus on September 25-27, 2013. This congress, which is a national and international event, is attended by a large number of experts, professionals, researchers, professors and authorities connected to the field of nuclear energy.

This year the Annual Meeting is organized in association with the **European Nuclear Society**, which includes the meeting in a list of the most interesting events in the European nuclear sector.









PRESENTATION OF THE SNE

The Spanish Nuclear Society (hereinafter, SNE), which was founded in 1974, is a non-profit association designated as a "Public Interest" society in 1996.

The membership of the SNE includes professionals from the nuclear sector who work in all the fields of nuclear science and technology: electric utilities; engineering, capital goods, nuclear fuel manufacturing, radiation protection and specialized services firms; as well as universities, research centers and regulatory bodies.

One of the fundamental aims of the SNE is the dissemination and advancement of nuclear science and technology.

Its organization and operation are regulated in its Bylaws and Internal Rules of Procedure. The Annual Assembly convenes the members to elect its governing body, the Board of Directors, and approve the annual report and budget.

The SNE currently has more than one thousand individual and collective members. It is able to function thanks to the interest, participation and involvement of all its members, as well as the companies connected to the world of energy and nuclear power.

The Spanish Nuclear Society is a founding member of the European Nuclear Society (ENS) and has cooperation agreements with the American Nuclear Society (ANS), among others.









ANNUAL MEETING

For 39 years, the SNE has been holding its Annual Meeting in different cities around Spain that, in addition to their cultural appeal, meet the requirements for technical, organizational, hotel and restaurant infrastructures and that can offer a venue or a Convention Center of the type required by an event of this size.

The 39th Annual Meeting of the SNE is going to be held in the city of Reus (Tarragona) and the venue will be the **Reus Tradeshow and Convention Center**.

Attendance to the meeting is open to both SNE members and national and foreign non-members.











PROGRAM

The SNE Annual Meeting lasts three days, from Wednesday to Friday.

The core part of the meeting is an intense **technical program**, complemented by the collective participation of the congresspersons in social and cultural events at emblematic sites in the host region.

The program consists of an **Inaugural Session** and a **Closing Session** which, in addition to nationally and internationally renowned scientists and technicians, are attended by industry leaders and by local and regional authorities, together with representatives of the State's central administration with ties to the energy industry.

The **Keynote Address** discusses a non-technical subject related to the meeting's host city, and it is given by a cultural authority in the field. It is an introduction that helps the attendees appreciate and enjoy the cultural riches to be found in the host city and its surroundings.

The technical program includes three **Plenary Sessions** and two **Monographic Sessions** devoted to relevant current issues related to energy subjects or associated topics. The participants in these sessions include high ranking national and international experts of recognized prestige in the topics covered by the sessions.

The **Plenary Sessions** will focus on currently important issues in the energy and nuclear sectors such as:

- Training, a strategic key to the safe operation of nuclear power plants.
- Internationalization of the Spanish nuclear industry.
- Management and prioritization of regulatory requirements (roundtalbe format).









For **Monograph Sessions** have chosen the following two topics:

- Research in the nuclear sector.
- Electric power interconnections and security of supply.

The core of the technical program are the **Technical Sessions** and **"Learn more about... Courses"**, in which national and international professionals and experts present their work on relevant projects and scientific studies and on the progress made in the past year in different fields. The technical papers are presented in parallel oral sessions and poster sessions. The subjects of the papers cover a wide range of fields such as fission, maintenance, R&D, communication, legal aspects of nuclear power, medical applications, etc.

This year "Learn more about...Courses" will be:

- The electricity market and the domestic bill.
- Human error prevention techniques in engineering works.

The meeting also includes activities aimed at informing and educating the general public, e.g. the **Basic Course on Nuclear Science and Technology**, which is organized by the SNE's Nuclear Youth Committee and is open to students from the city and region and to anyone else who wishes to learn more about nuclear energy and technology.

In addition, there is a **Social Program** which, for the companions, will include cultural events and tours to the most emblematic sites of Reus and its province.

This year, the Annual Meeting coincides with the Fiesta of Our Lady of Mercy, the patron saint of Reus. The Fiesta, which is celebrated on Wednesday September 25, commemorates the Virgin's appearance to a little girl in Reus in 1592. The Fiesta includes very picturesque events such as "the dance of devils", "the dance of the eagle" and "the dance of the Virgin", a popular street theater performance that stages the Virgin's appearance.

The afternoon of Tuesday the 24th will feature a "Pasacalles" parade and at night is the rosary of torches to the Virgin's sanctuary.







ATTENDEES

Around **600 people** on average attend the annual meetings, a significant number of whom are non-members. Nearly 100 companions also attend and take part in the various activities.

The attendees come from both Spain and abroad (the foreign attendees are mainly French, English, German, Italian, American, Chinese and Japanese).

COMMERCIAL EXHIBITION

In parallel to the technical program and in the same Reus Tradeshow and Convention Center, there will be a **Commercial Exhibition of national and international** enterprises and entities. The exhibition includes more than thirty stands, making it a very important business gathering for the sector's industries.

In this exhibition, companies and research centers will display the products, technological breakthroughs and services offered to the sector.









PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION

The meeting is advertised in several media. The main ones are the Annual Meeting Website www.reunionanualsne.es, which can be accessed from the SNE Website www. sne.es, and the Website of the European Nuclear Society (ENS - www.euronuclear.org), which receives more than 60,000 visits a month from around the world. These sites have links to the leading international professional societies with similar interests, e.g. the American society (ANS - www.ans.org) and the Japanese society (AESJ - www.aesj.or.jp/). Periodic notices are also sent to members and regular attendees.

The meeting is also advertised in *Nuclear España*, the monthly magazine of the SNE, which has published more than 330 issues since 1982. Nuclear España is distributed not only to members, but also to all the companies and scientific, technical and administrative organizations involved in and with interests in the field of energy. It also has a broad international circulation, in particular in Europe, America and the Asia-Pacific region.

Every month, *Nuclear España* includes information on the organization of the Annual Meeting and its activities, and it also promotes the collaborating and sponsor companies and institutions.









PUBLICATIONS

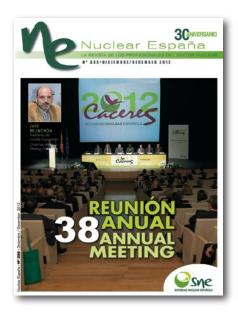
Before the Meeting, there is a special issue of *Nuclear España* that includes the contents of the Inaugural and Closing Sessions, the technical and social programs, the list of authorities and eminent attendees, and the abstracts of all the technical papers.

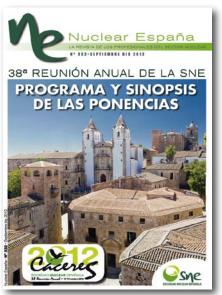
After the Annual Meeting is held, a monographic issue in Spanish and English is published and distributed widely both in Spain and abroad. This issue describes all that has happened in this professional meeting, from the perspective of both the technical program and the social and cultural events that have taken place in the host city.

The meeting is also covered by articles in several issues of the European Nuclear Society magazine, which is distributed electronically all around the world

SPONSORS

The Annual Meeting is open to the sponsorship of national and international companies and entities with activities in the energy and nuclear sectors.











INTEGRATION OF THE CONGRESS INTO THE REGION WHERE IT IS HELD

The organization of an event of this nature requires excellent integration between the event, the city and the region where it is held.

For this reason, the facilities and infrastructure of the Reus Tradeshow and Convention Center have been chosen, as well as a series of entities and companies in Reus that will collaborate with the organization in order to make the meeting a success.

Thanks to the existing tourist network, there are sufficient hotel rooms and restaurant and transportation services available to accommodate all the congresspersons and their companions.

The city of Reus and its area of influence offer an ideal venue to hold the meeting because, in addition to suitable facilities and infrastructures, the visitor is able to enjoy an artistic, historic, environmental and recreational setting of surprising harmony.





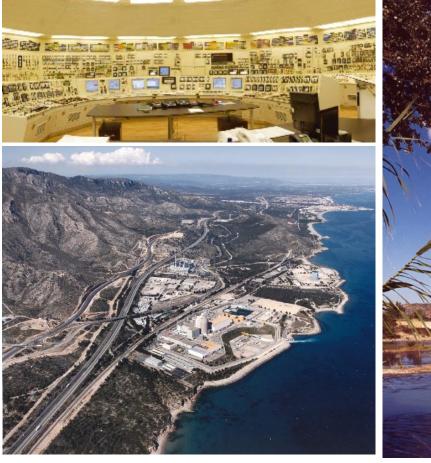




THE 39th MEETING OF THE SNE IN REUS

The Annual Meeting has a rotating venue and it is hosted by one of the leading Spanish electric utilities in the area.

This year, the host utility is **ENDESA**











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