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# ***Global Nuclear Safety and Security Regime***

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# Background



# Global Nuclear Power Projections

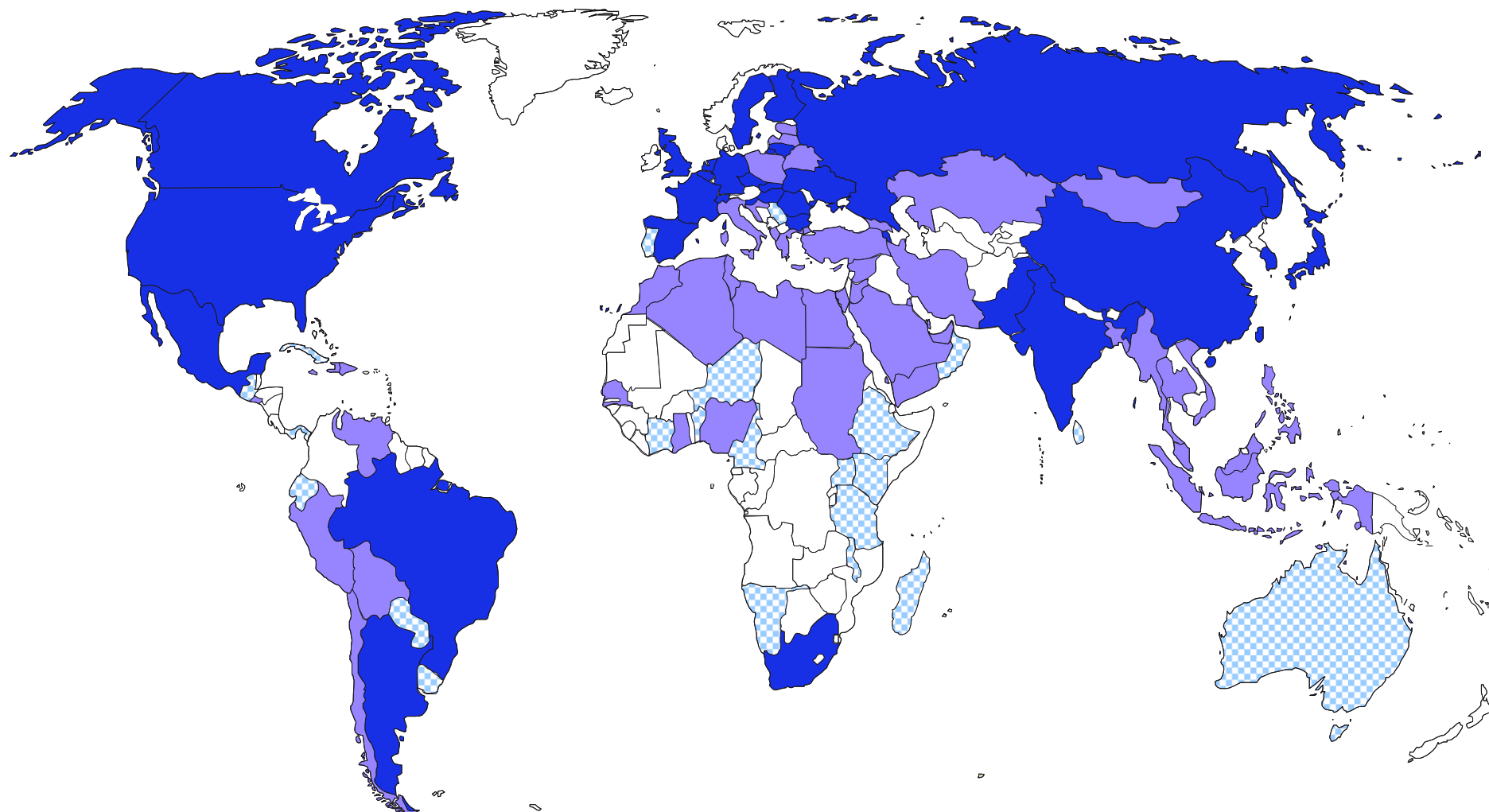
- Projections of nuclear power around the world show an upward trend
- Nearly 70 countries are considering or planning a first nuclear power plant

Nuclear Generating Capacity	
2008 Current	2030 Projected
372 GW(e) in 30 Countries	<i>High Estimate</i> 748 GW(e) <b>20 New Countries</b>
	<i>Low Estimate</i> 473 GW(e) <b>5 New Countries</b>

Source: Energy, Electricity and Nuclear Power Estimates for the Period to 2030 (RDS-1) 2008 Edition (IAEA 2009)



# 68 countries have expressed their interest for nuclear power



**Operating (30)**



**Considering (43)**

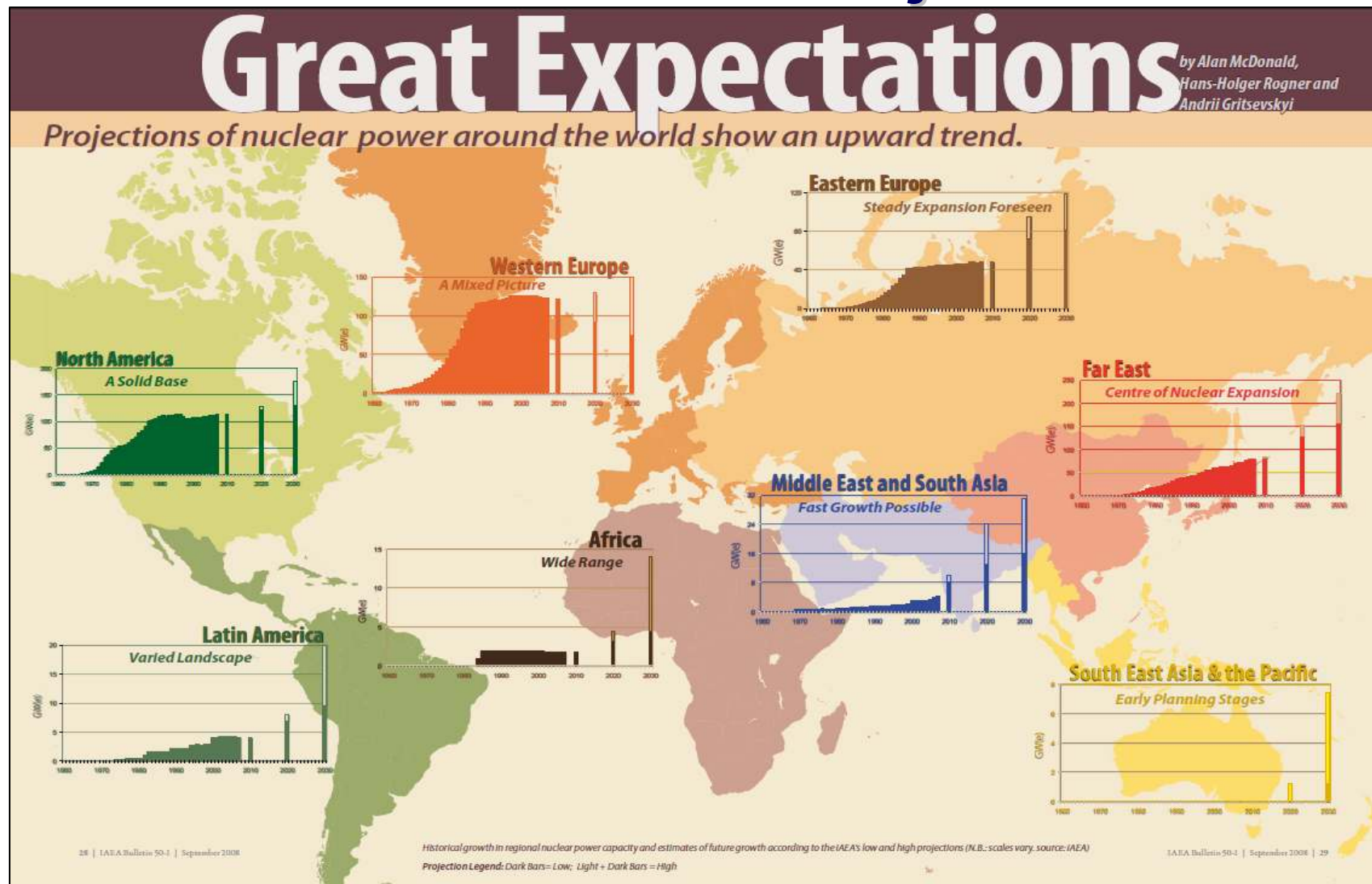


**Having expressed interest (25)**





# Global Nuclear Power Projections (Cont'd)



Source: IAEA Bulletin, September 2008

International Atomic Energy Agency

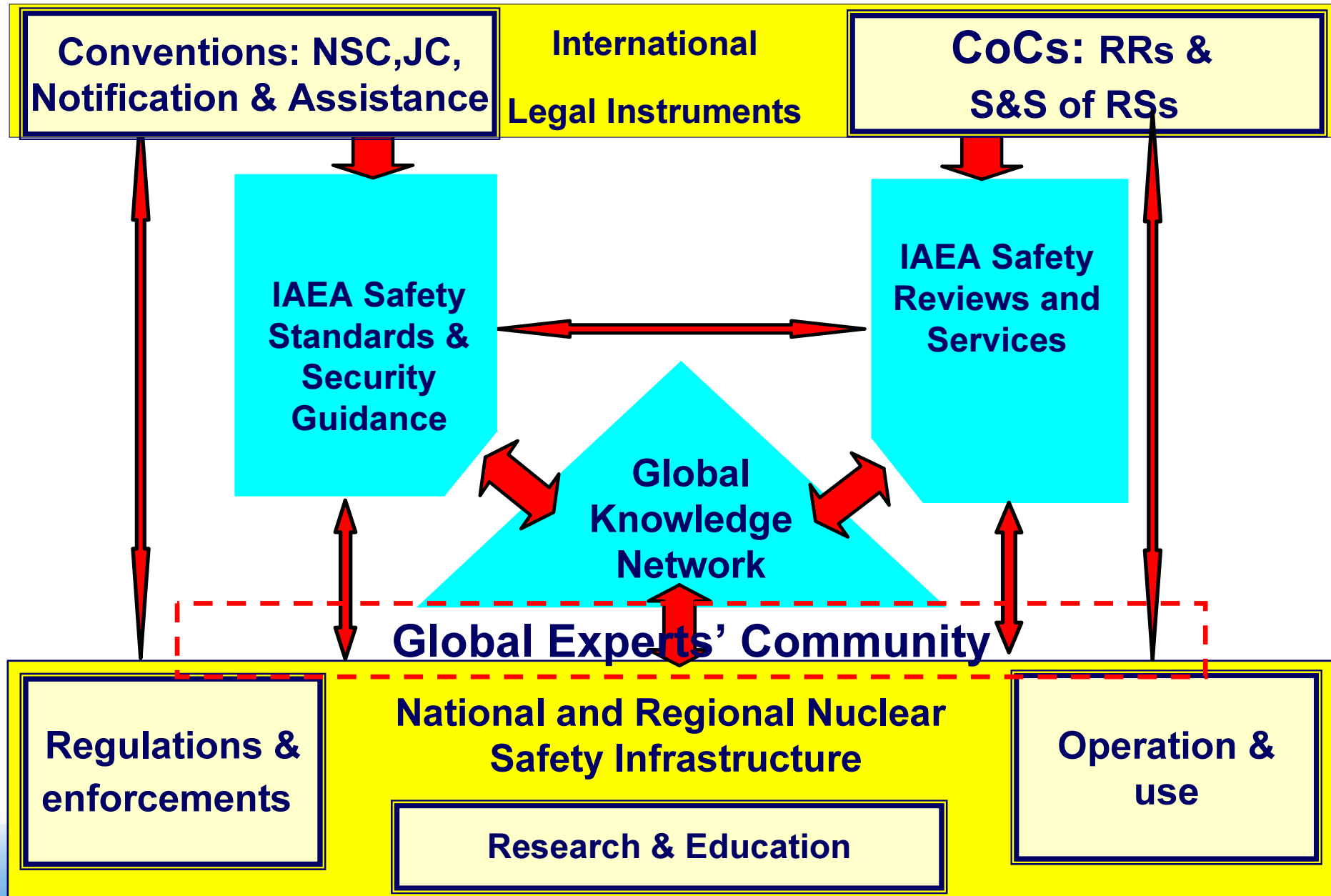


# Lessons Learned

- The TMI, Chernobyl accident and recent malevolent events were turning points for safety and security respectively in the nuclear industry
- Both have resulted in accelerated international cooperation in nuclear safety and security and the establishment of global safety and security regimes as a more visible important aspect of the globalization process
- Incident or accident in any nuclear activity has impacts for all nuclear activities world-wide



# Global Nuclear Safety Regime





# Safety Conventions and Codes

Convention on Early Notification of a Nuclear Accident

Convention on Assistance in the Case of a Nuclear Accident or Radiological Emergency

Convention on Nuclear Safety

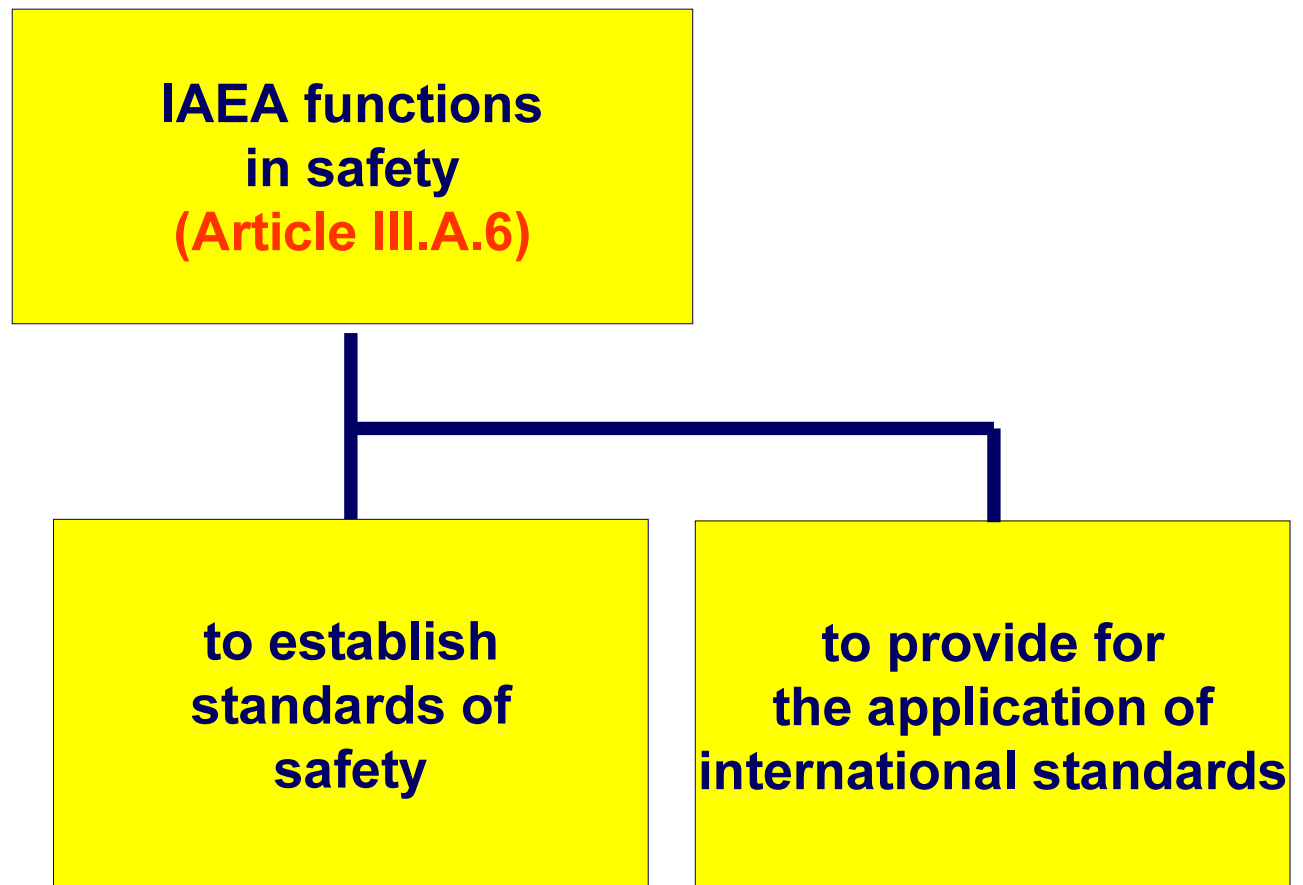
Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management

Code of Conduct on the Safety and Security of Radioactive Sources

Code of Conduct on the Safety of Research Reactors

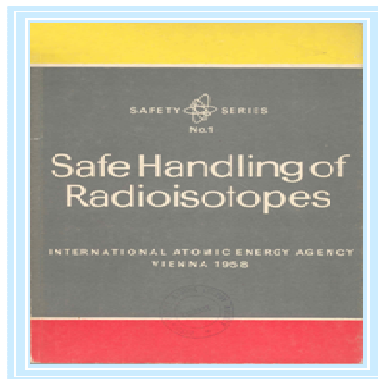


# IAEA statutory safety functions



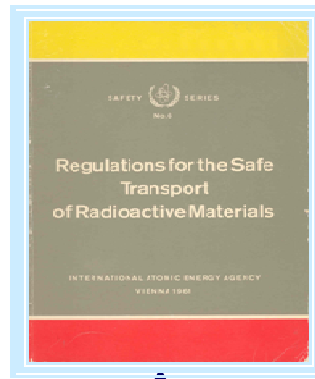
# History

*Safe Handling  
of Radioisotopes*



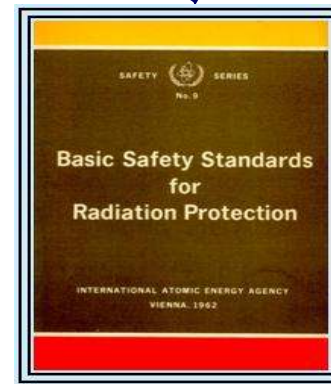
1958

*Safe Transport  
of Radioactive  
Material*



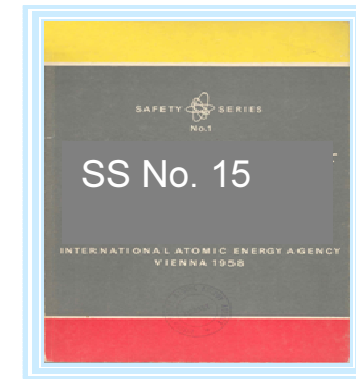
1961

*BSS for  
Radiation  
Protection*



1962

*Radioactive Waste  
Disposal into the  
Ground*

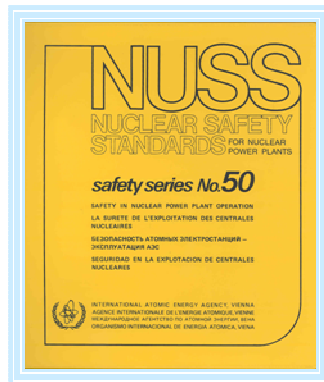


1965



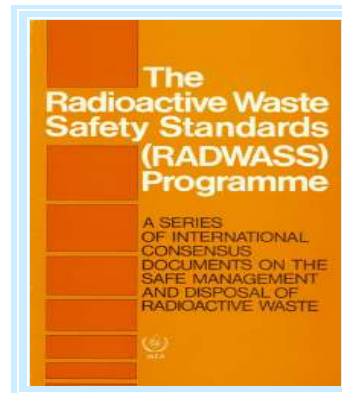
# History (cont'd)

*NUSS  
Programme*



1974

*RADWASS  
Programme*



1988

*Basic Safety  
Standards*



1996



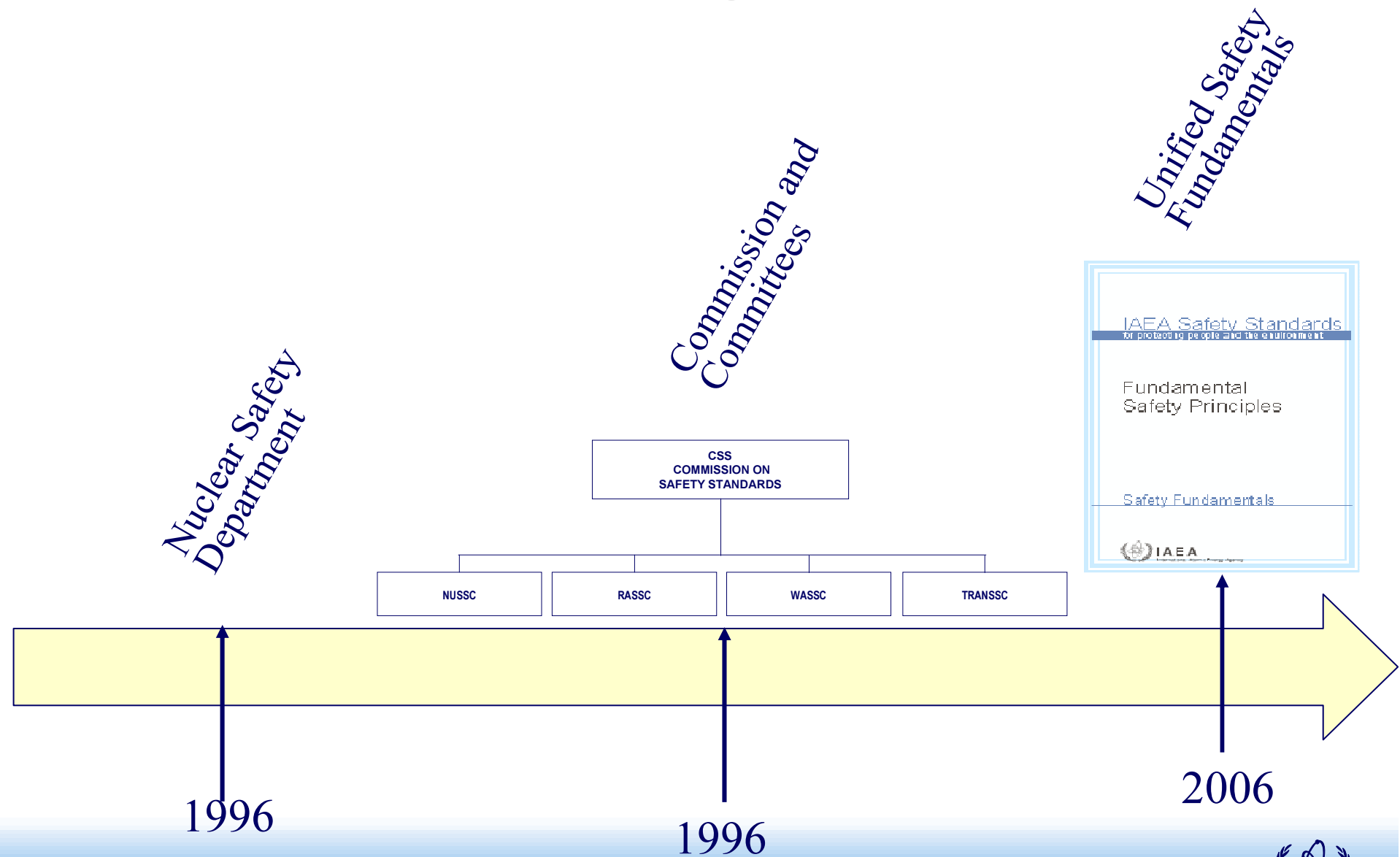
# History (cont'd)

**1958 - 1996**

- **Four structured programmes**
- **Bottom-up approach**
- **Identification of requirements**
- **Issuance of three Safety Fundamentals**



# History (cont'd)





# History (cont'd)

## 1996 - 2008

- 1996 - Establishment of the Department of NS:
  - ✓ Harmonized processes involving the Commission and the four Committees; and
  - ✓ Preparation of an overall structure of Safety Standards.
- 2006 - Unified Safety Fundamentals:  
beginning of a top-down approach
- 2008 - Roadmap on the long term structure  
and format of SR approved by CSS



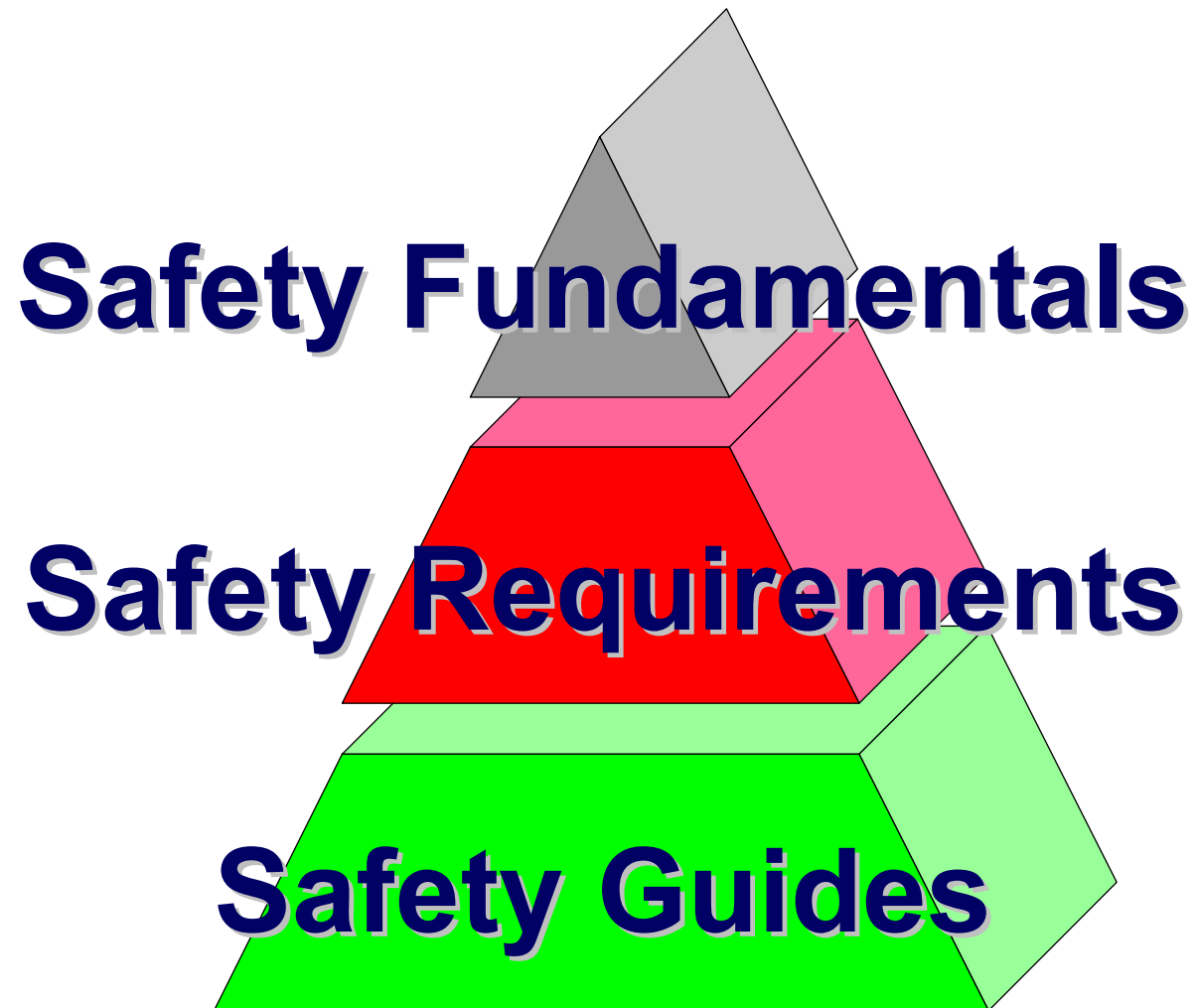
# **Status of the IAEA Safety Standards**

## **Safety Standards are:**

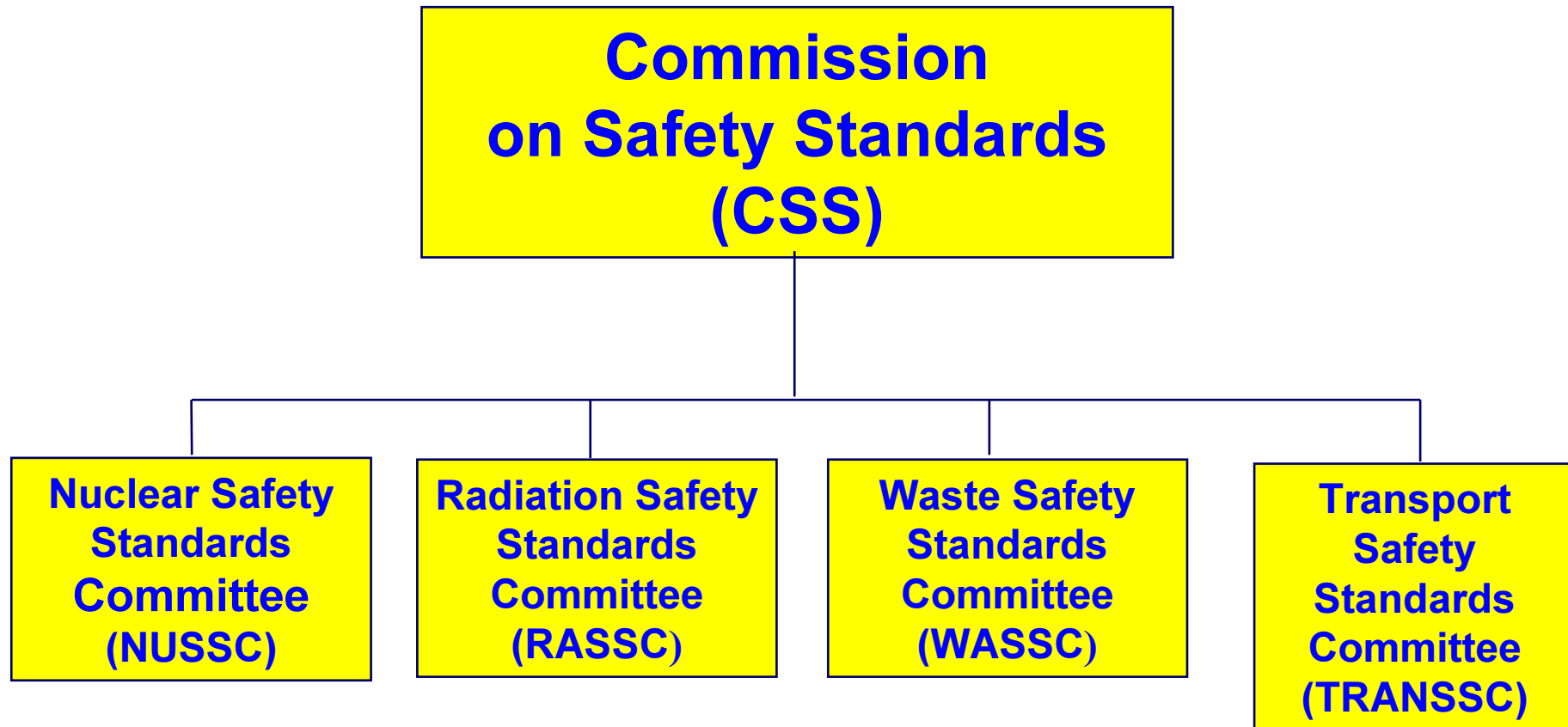
- **Non binding on Member States but may be adopted by them**
- **Binding for IAEA's own activities**
- **Binding on States in relation to operations assisted by the IAEA or States wishing to enter into project agreements with IAEA**



# Safety Standards Categories



# Commission & Committees



## Commission on Safety Standards

- Standing body of senior government officials holding national responsibilities for establishing standards and other regulatory documents relevant to nuclear, radiation, transport and waste safety
- Overview role with regard to the Agency's safety standards and provides advice to the Director General on the overall programme on regulatory aspects of safety



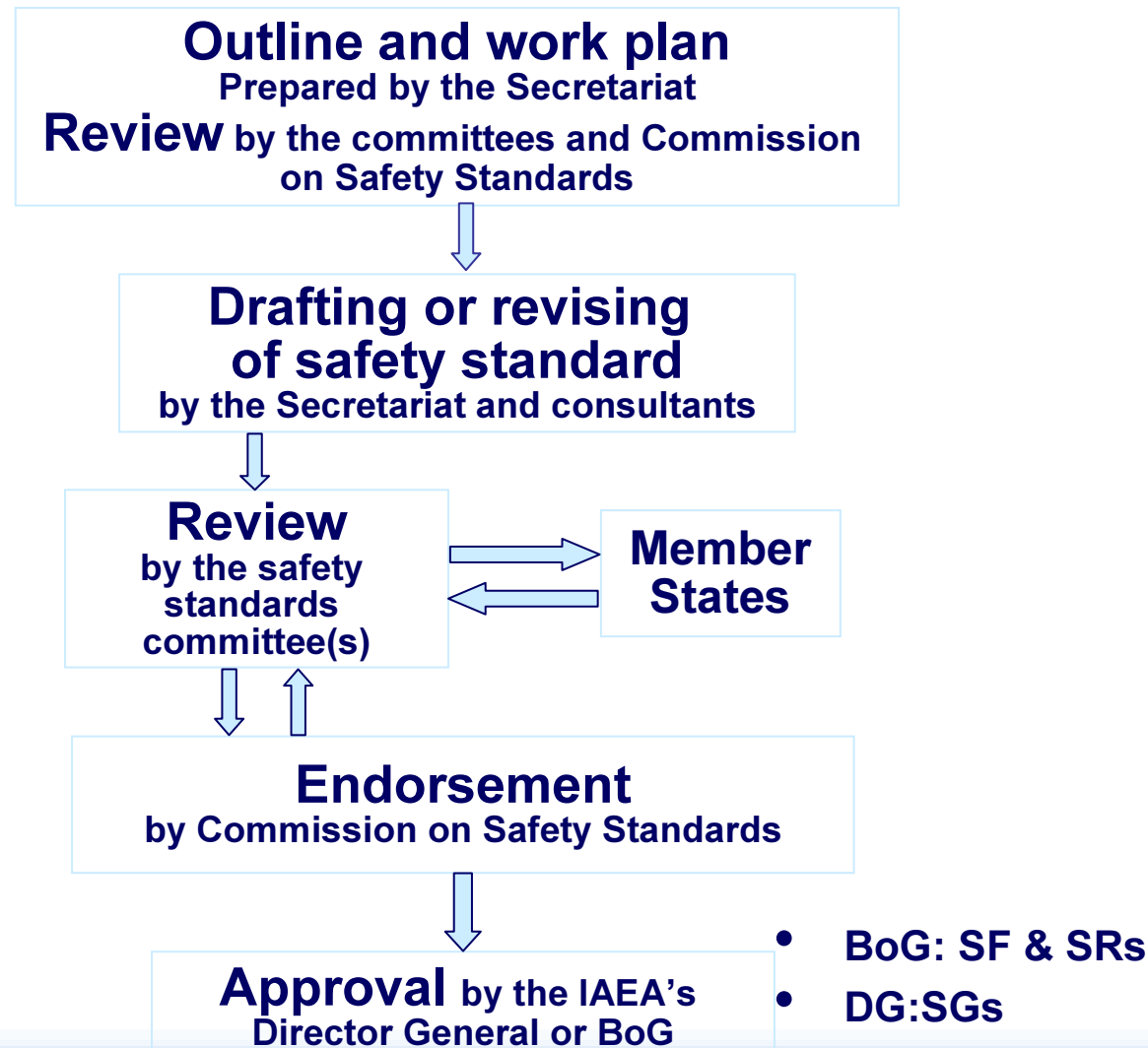
## **Safety Standards Committees**

- Standing bodies of senior experts, established by the DDG-NS
- They advise the DDG-NS on the overall programme for the development, review and revision of standards





# Process Flow for the Development of IAEA Safety Standards

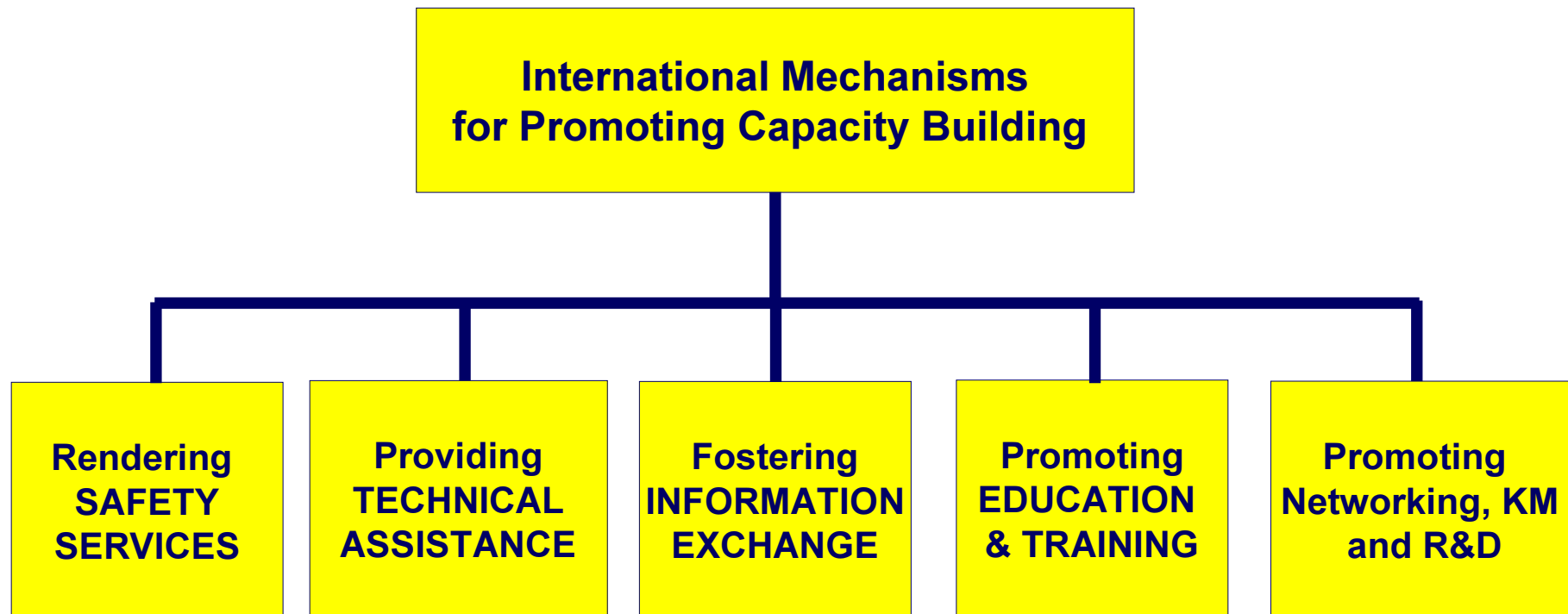


# Vision

- Complete, consistent, coherent, integrated and user-friendly safety series with a manageable number of publications
- Sustainable continuous improvement system through effective feedback from application of SSs
- Global Reference used worldwide by Member States to deliver a harmonized high level of safety for protecting people and the environment from the harmful effects of ionizing radiation



# Provisions for the application of standards

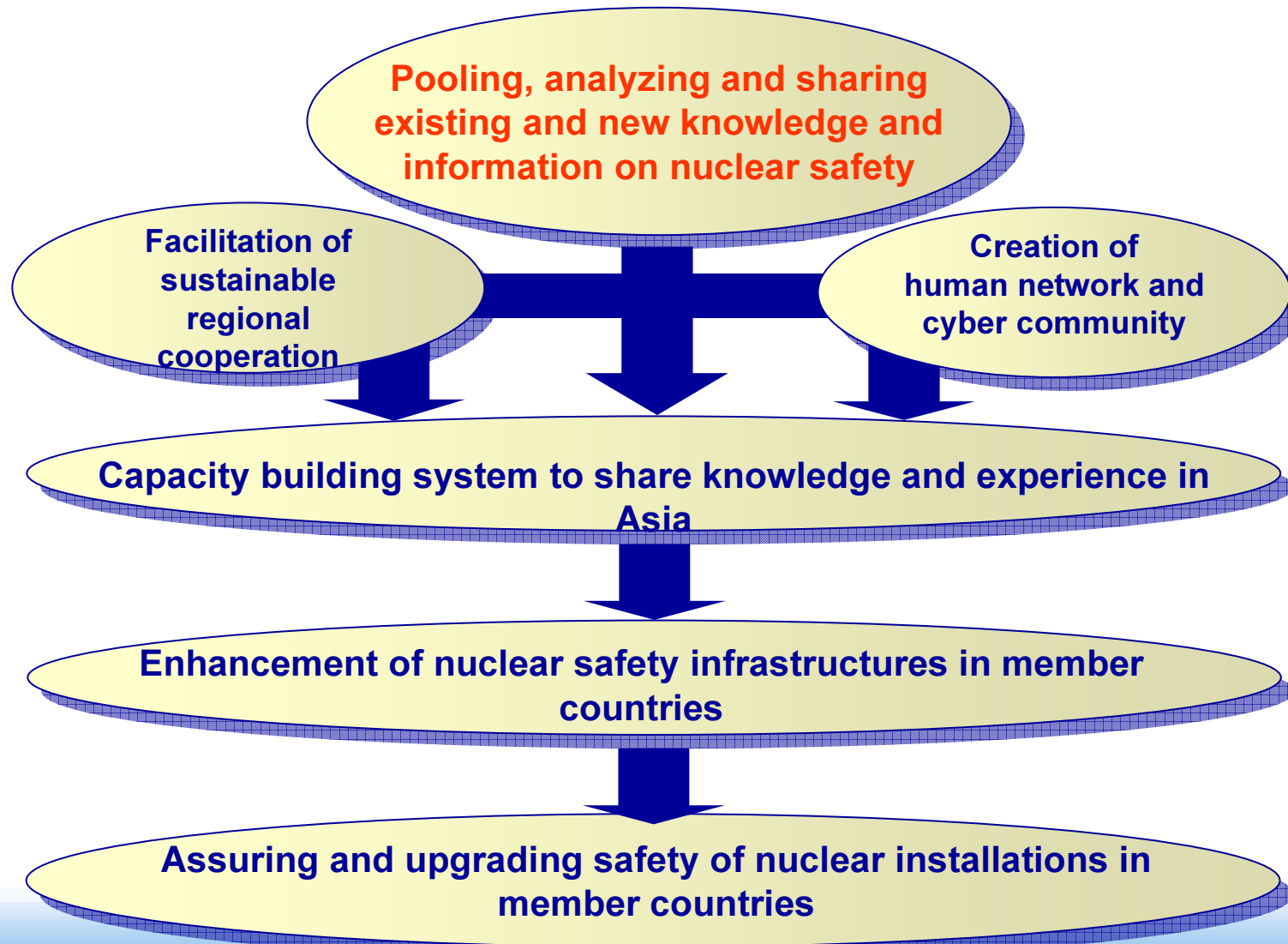


# **Global Nuclear Safety & Security Network**

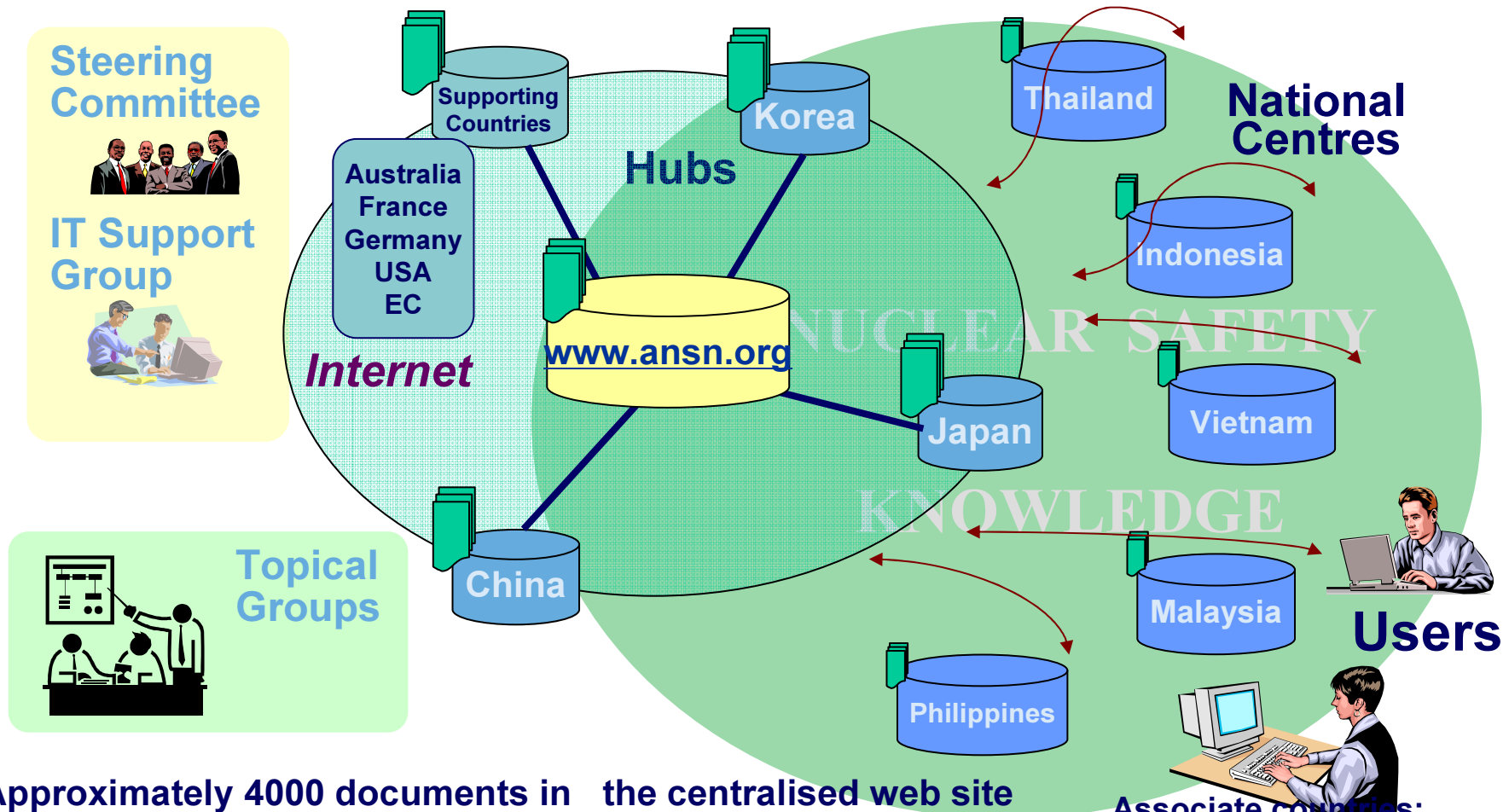
- **The GNSN is based on & will promote GNSSR**
- **The GNSSN platform is currently being developed at the IAEA**
- **The vision is to have all safety related networks and information resources made visible and available through links on this platform**



## Asian Nuclear Safety Network



## Sharing knowledge: IT & Human networks



- Approximately 4000 documents in the centralised web site
- Large number of documents in Hubs and National Centres

Associate countries:  
*Bangladesh, Pakistan*



# Conclusion

**“The... Committee has decided that the Nobel Peace Prize for 2005 is to be shared... between the IAEA and its Director General...**



- **for their efforts to prevent nuclear energy from being used for military purposes, and**
- **to ensure that nuclear energy for peaceful purposes is used in the **safest possible way.**”**

*“ At a time ...when there is a danger that nuclear arms will spread both to states and to terrorists groups, and when nuclear power again appears to be playing an increasingly significant role, IAEA’s work is of incalculable importance.”*



## Conclusion (Cont'd)

- Changes in world markets and technology are having an impact on both nuclear industry and regulators as never before. A key challenge now is to properly assess and address the safety and security implications of these changes
- There is greater need for international consistency of standards and their application and for strong leadership and clear responsibility for safety and security



## Conclusion (Cont'd)

- The Global Nuclear Safety and Security Regime provides the mechanisms for safety and security excellence in all nuclear activities
- The Global Nuclear Safety and Security Regime is an enabler of safe, secure and sustainable use of nuclear applications



## **Conclusion** (Cont'd)

**Safety is continuous improvement  
& the success of an effective  
Global Nuclear Safety &  
Security Regime is our success!**

**Continuous Support  
from MSs  
Missions in Vienna  
is highly appreciated**



***...Thank you for your attention***  
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