

IAEA's Contact Expert Group

Canada is an active member of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)'s Contact Expert Group (CEG). The CEG holds regular workshops to address the wide range of nuclear legacy issues in Russia. The group includes 12 countries: Belgium, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, the Russian Federation, Sweden, the U.K. and the U.S. Four international organizations are also members: the European Commission, the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, the International Science and Technology Center, and the IAEA. Canada assumed leadership of this important group in 2008.



A decommissioned nuclear-powered submarine is loaded onto a heavy-load transport vessel and brought to the shipyard to be defuelled and dismantled.

The 12th defuelled submarine was a Typhoon Class strategic submarine, the largest submarine in the world. It was dismantled in cooperation with Russia and the U.S.

Three contribution agreements were established with Russian shipyards in 2008 and a fourth in 2009. These arrangements will fund the defuelling of 10 nuclear reactors from five NPS and the complete dismantling of two NPS.

Looking Ahead at 2009–2010

NPS dismantling activities are planned in the Russian Far East region. These activities will be similar to those conducted to date and will benefit from proven processes and lessons learned.



Monitoring team on site at shipyard.



Typhoon Strategic Submarine (largest in the world) entering the harbour for the last time prior to dismantling under the Global Partnership Program.