

# Nuclear Energy Conference 2024



## Risks of the Czech Nuclear Contract of the Century

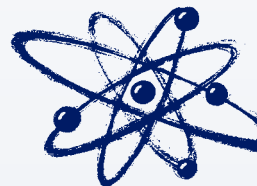
**The tendering process for construction of new nuclear reactors has become a major topic of Czech public debate in the recent months. It is no wonder, as it concerns hundreds of billions of crowns and the parties are aware that the big project might fail. After all, the companies that participate in the tender have had some failed projects.**

How are the tenderers' economic results and prospects viewed by experts from France, the United States and South Korea, the companies' home countries? What were the reasons for projects in both Europe and the USA costing more than expected, causing the tenderers existential troubles? What are the financing options, and who will bear the risk of cost increases in the Czech Republic? What consequences may the government's nuclear plan have for the national budget? Will the elections change the European Commission's position on nuclear energy?

The objective of the international conference **NEC 2024 "Risks of the Czech Nuclear Contract of the Century"** is detailed discussion involving both international and Czech experts concerning exactly these questions, which ought to play a key role in the nuclear tender debate.

**Wednesday, 19 June 2024, 10.00 to 15.00**

**Great Hall, Supernova Enforum Event Space Rustonka  
Sokolovská 695 / 115b, Praha 8, Building R3, 6<sup>th</sup> floor**



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## Agenda:

10.00–10.15 **Opening – Stefan Kaineder**, Councillor of Upper Austrian State Government; **Dalibor Stráský**, Commissioner of the State of Upper Austria for Nuclear Energy Issues; and **Anna Kárníková**, Programme Director, Hnutí DUHA

### A look at the nuclear tenderers from their home countries

10.15–10.45 **EDF economic performance and the challenges of new nuclear projects – Yves Marignac**, nuclear and energy expert, senior advisor, Institut négaWatt

10.45–11.15 **Status and perspectives of US nuclear exports – Tim Judson**, executive director, Nuclear Information and Resource Service

11.15–11.30 *Break for refreshments*

11.30–12.00 **Prospective of KHNP reactors export – Jeong-Yoon Lee** (on-line), president, Nuclear Safety and Future

12.00–12.20 **Failure of the Westinghouse AP1000 Projects in the USA – Tom Clements**, director, Savannah River Site Watch

12.20–12.35 Discussion with all speakers

12.35–12.45 **Summary of morning session – Karel Polanecký**, energy expert, Hnutí DUHA

12.45–13.30 *Lunch break*

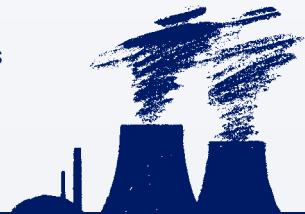
### Panel discussion: Economic aspects of the Czech nuclear tender

13.30–14.15 **Luděk Niedermayer**, former CNB Vice-Governor, Member of the European Parliament (TOP09)

**Petr Bartoň**, Chief Economist, Natland investment group

How to pay for the Czech nuclear vision?

Potential impacts on the Czech Republic's national debt and rating



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## Panel discussion: Social, climate and political aspects

- 14.15–15.00 **Vladimír Špidla**, Masaryk Democratic Academy, former Czech Prime Minister (ČSSD) and European Commissioner  
**Magdalena Davis**, Co-Chair of Czech Green Party  
Potential social impacts of the state investment in new reactors. Czech nuclear future as climate salvation? The European Parliament after elections and support to nuclear?
- 14:30–15:00 Questions for speakers
- 15.00–15.15 **Summary and conclusion – Edvard Sequens**, energy consultant, Calla – Association for Preservation of the Environment



The conference will be hosted by **Marie Bastlová**. Simultaneous Czech/English/German interpreting will be provided. We welcome representatives of the Senate, Chamber of Deputies, public administration, media, energy sector, environmental organizations and other interested persons.

**Conference participation is free of charge. However, please confirm your participation by 12 June. Use the form on the website. The organizers reserve the right to refuse those who register later if the capacity is full.**

If you have any questions about the registration or practical questions about the conference, please contact us via e-mail: [nec2024@calla.cz](mailto:nec2024@calla.cz) or telephone: +420 603 532 067.

You will find updated information about the conference, including electronic registration at: [nec2024.jadernaenergetika.eu](http://nec2024.jadernaenergetika.eu)

The event is organized by Calla – Association for Preservation of the Environment, Hnutí DUHA and South Bohemian Mothers.

