

CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW NUCLEAR REACTOR PLANT IN ARGENTINA.

Argentina is seeking the participation of Canadian, Russian, American and Chinese companies in partnership with local construction companies to actively participate in the next round for the construction of a nuclear reactor plant in Argentina.

The Government's aim is to use Candu technology, similar to one already operating a chinese facility called "Qinsahn". It will be a natural uranium and heavy water reactor with a capacity of 760 megawatts close to other Argentine nuclear plants Atucha I and II. Chinese Qinsahn, is the last project built in the world with Candu technology.

Candu technology (Canadian Deuterium Uranium), has proven experience worldwide. Argentina has a background in the use of the Candu technology. In 1973 the Canadian-Italian AECL Italmimpianti consortium built a Candu reactor of 600 MW Embalse, works began in 1974. China also has such experience.

Since then, Argentina has the technology and is authorized to replicate it in the country as many times as desired. All it requires of Canadians are updates and documentation from a central reference.

There is also available technology to develop plants with enriched uranium and light water, but the government prefers Candu to leverage the experience and resources that the country has in that area

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