

The dECOmm Co-Innovation Project Joins Finnish Nuclear Decommissioning Competences for International Market Needs

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Why Nuclear Decommissioning?

- Up to **400 reactors** to be decommissioned by 2040
- Individual project costs vary between 100s IN to several IN
- Total market **€200B €400B** of which over half in Europe
- Young industry with plenty of room for process improvements
- Topical development due to FiR1, near-term markets abroad





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Focus Areas



Develop understanding of decommissioning market opportunities and consortium strengths in the business area.



Technological focus on project management tools and radioactive inventory management.



Develop technology to increase the cost efficiency and safety of nuclear decommissioning activities



Special needs in the Nuclear Decommissioning Markets

- Political decisions for early shutdowns of reactors in Europe leading to a large fleet of sites to appear in the pipeline faster than operators can respond; e.g., Germany
- Lack of labor force in the industry requires increased work-efficiency and better management of the transition period between operation and decommissioning
- Lessons learned about lifecycle can be applied to newbuild projects.
 Decommissioning plans for operating plants can be improved

Developing methods, robots and digital models for Nuclear Decommissioning Projects

- Human factors, operating and licensing framework for project management, characterisation, and radioactive inventory management systems
- Embedding information layers to the models (AI/ML analysis of LIDAR, dosimeter & hyperspectroscopy measurements) into Building Information Models (BIM)
- Autonomous Site Status Updates (mobile platforms)
- Virtual and Augmented Reality for Radiation Transport and Dose Modeling & Radioactive Inventory
- Innovative ecosystems for business solution provision

Learning by doing: FiR1 in Otaniemi

FiR 1 30.6.2015

Decommissioning licence 17.6.2021

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FiR 1 in the Finnish nuclear energy program



30 May 1960: TRIGA order was signed by Frederic de Hoffman (General Atomics) and Minister Pauli Lehtosalo

31 August 1962: FiR 1 inauguration President of the Republic Urho Kekkonen and Director of General Atomics Dr. Frederic de Hoffman with high level state and industry representatives





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Sampling of active concrete December 2018



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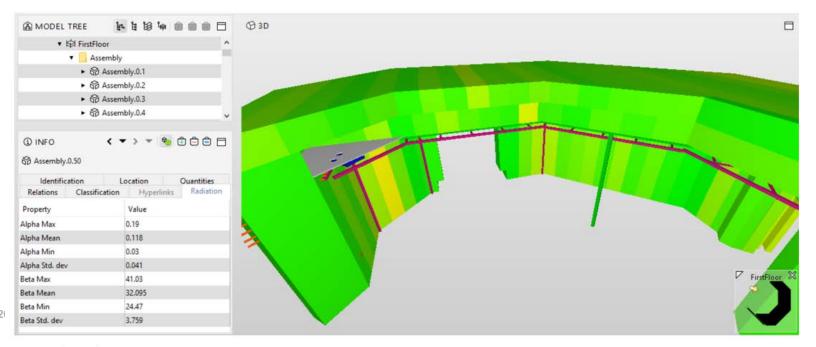


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BNCT dismantling project at FiR 1



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Summary Joining Finnish nuclear decommissioning competences for international markets

- Co-innovation: Joint development between companies and VTT and/or universities as research partners
- Focus areas:
 - Digital decommissioning
 - Risk-based conformity
- Case studies; small-scale demonstrations at FiR 1
- Potential follow-up projects:
 - Deliveries to international customers
 - Development projects (bilateral, EU projects, domestic programs)

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