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MEPs show overwhelming support for nuclear, Small Modular Reactors

Strasbourg, 12 December 2023: Today, the European Parliament has adopted an Own Initiative Report on Small Modular Reactors, confirming the importance of these technologies to Europe's future energy system.

Led by Rapporteur MEP Franc Bogovič (EPP, Slovenia), this report makes clear that nuclear as a whole, and SMRs in particular, can bring many benefits in terms of helping to decarbonise Europe's energy mix, ensure security of supply and support hard-to-abate sectors such as industry.

"Thanks to the leadership of MEP Bogovič, SMRs have gained the attention they deserve from the European Parliament" states Yves Desbazeille, Director General of nucleareurope. "The recommendations put forward in this report are very much in line with the conclusions of the [European SMR Pre-Partnership](#) and reiterate the need for a European Industry Alliance on SMRs".

Nucleareurope will now focus on the upcoming EU proposals for a 2040 Climate Target. In this respect, we call on the European Commission to take into account this strong message from the European Parliament – as well as the Nuclear Alliance – and include nuclear as a net-zero technology which will help meet the targets for the decades to come.

About us:

nucleareurope is the Brussels-based trade association for the nuclear energy industry in Europe. The membership of nucleareurope is made up of 15 national nuclear associations and through these associations, nucleareurope represents nearly 3,000 European companies working in the industry and supporting around 1,100,000 jobs.

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