



# Floating Nuclear Power Plants / Les Centrales Nucléaires Flottantes

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- ❑ Floating Nuclear Power Plant (FNPP) is a new type of energy source based on nuclear shipbuilding technologies and designed to provide reliable year-round power supply to the industry and households in remote regions, lacking domestic fuel resources and not connected to major energy transmission lines.
- ❑ FNPP' central element is a floating power unit (FPU), a vessel with inbuilt power generating equipment. FPU is fully assembled at the shipyard and towed by sea to its operation site when it is ready to use.
- ❑ The other element of the FNPP is a complex of mooring and onshore facilities with energy transmission equipment constructed on site.
- ❑ FNPPs can be deployed in coastal areas to supply local consumers with thermal and electric power and operate as an energy source for water desalinating facilities.

# Project goals

- ❑ Development of a mobile, safe, reliable, technically and economically feasible energy source for arduous regions and areas with decentralized power system
- ❑ Replacement of fossil power plants, reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions as well as the dependency on fuel market, and thus increasing the reliability and sustainability of energy supply
- ❑ Introduction of affordable energy sources and establishment of centers of growth for social and economic development of remote, isolated regions
- ❑ Stabilization of prices of heat, electricity and potable water for population and industries

# UN Sustainable Development goals

## Power for water supply, desalination

Boost to science,  
knowledge  
transfer



Affordable, clean  
and secure  
energy supply

Nuclear  
medicine



Boost to  
GDP  
growth

Power for  
agriculture



Boost to  
industry,  
technology  
transfer

Fights energy  
poverty, creates jobs

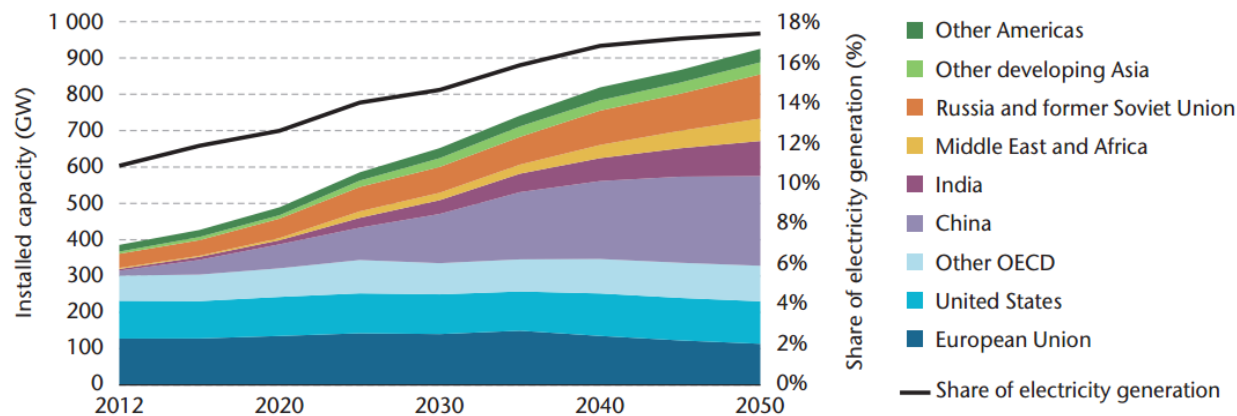


Mitigates  
climate  
change



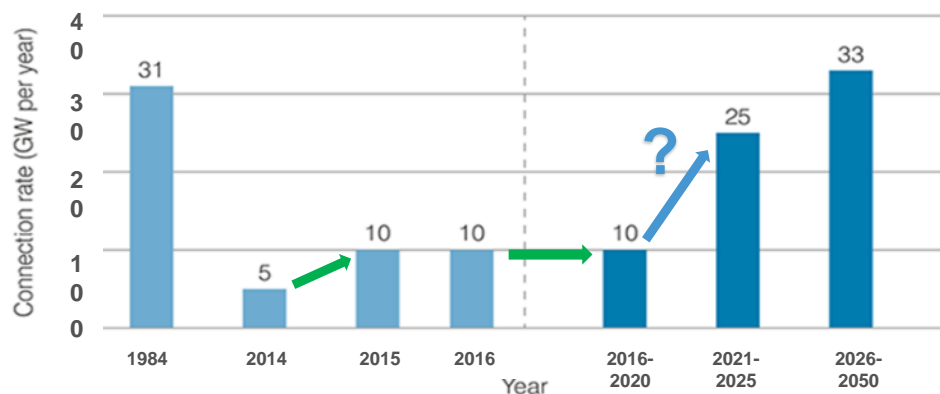
# Needs for nuclear growth

Can we achieve it?

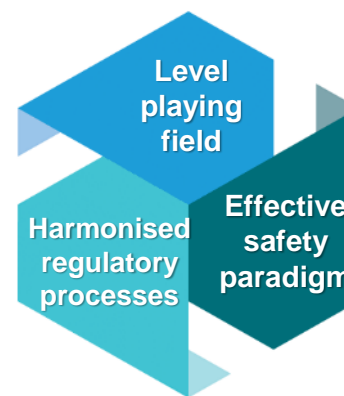


Source: International Energy Agency

**Nuclear power needs to be more than doubled by 2050 to reach 18-25% of global electricity supply and to deliver up to 1000 GW of new capacity**



**Connection rate of 30-35 GW per year is required**



Source: World Nuclear Association

# Challenges of nuclear power development

**COMPETITIVENESS**



**WASTE MANAGEMENT**



**PUBLIC ACCEPTANCE**



**These challenges can be addressed by:**

- **Serial & sophisticated construction of NPPs**
- **New reactor technologies**
- **Responsible lifetime fuel cycle management**
- **International cooperation**

# Can SMRs be an answer?

## SPECIFIC CONDITIONS BRING DEMAND FOR...



### GEOGRAPHIC CONDITIONS:

- Remote areas
- Islands, archipelagos, coastlines



**TRANSPORTABILITY  
& FLEXIBLE  
DEPLOYMENT**



### INFRASTRUCTURE CONDITIONS:

- Undeveloped power grids
- Energy storage is onerously expensive



**PLUG-AND-PLAY  
GRID CONNECTION**



### MARKET CONDITIONS:

- Energy price volatility
- Fuel dependency



**COSTS  
PREDICTABILITY**



### EXCESSIVE FOCUS ON RENEWABLES

- Balancing base load
- Small energy capacities



**STABLE  
GENERATION**

# SMRs

can play an  
important role in  
the future clean  
energy mix



# TES-3 nuclear power plant



Consists of 4 mobile, self-propelled modules assembled altogether on site

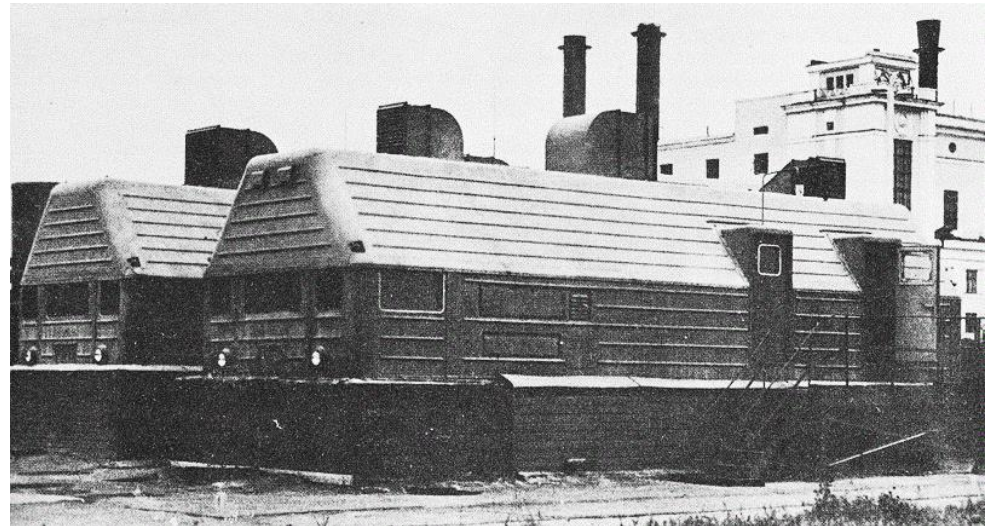
Single pressurized water reactor

8.8 MW thermal power

Installed capacity – 1.5 MW(e)

Designed and constructed at the IPPE (Obninsk, USSR)

Reached criticality in 1961





# MH-1F “Sturgis” nuclear power plant



Based on a retrofitted Liberty-class cargo ship,  
the *Charles H. Cugle*

PWR MH-1A, 45 MW thermal power

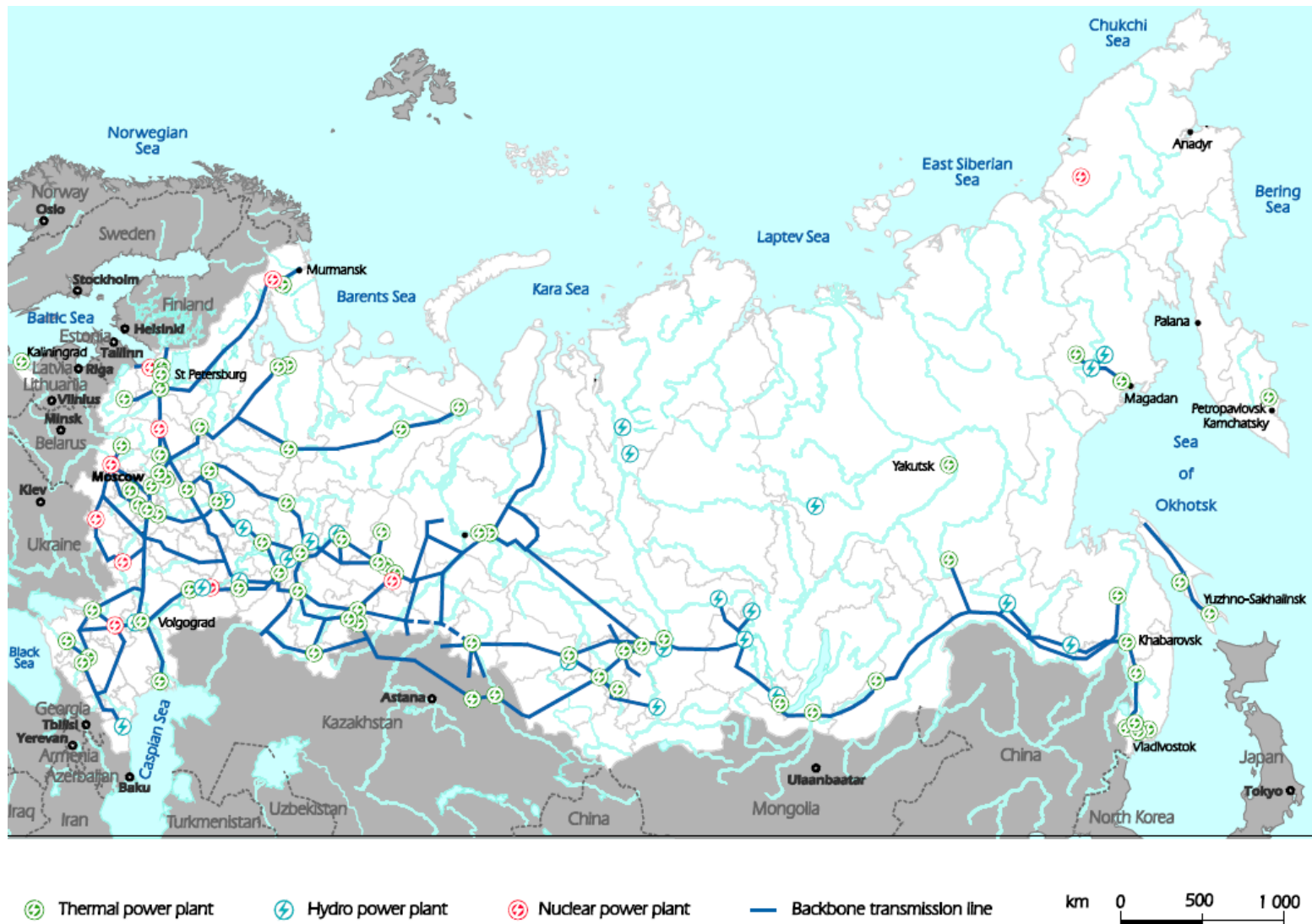
Installed capacity – 10 MW(e)

Reached criticality in 1967

Operated in 1968-1976 at Gatun Lake (Panama)



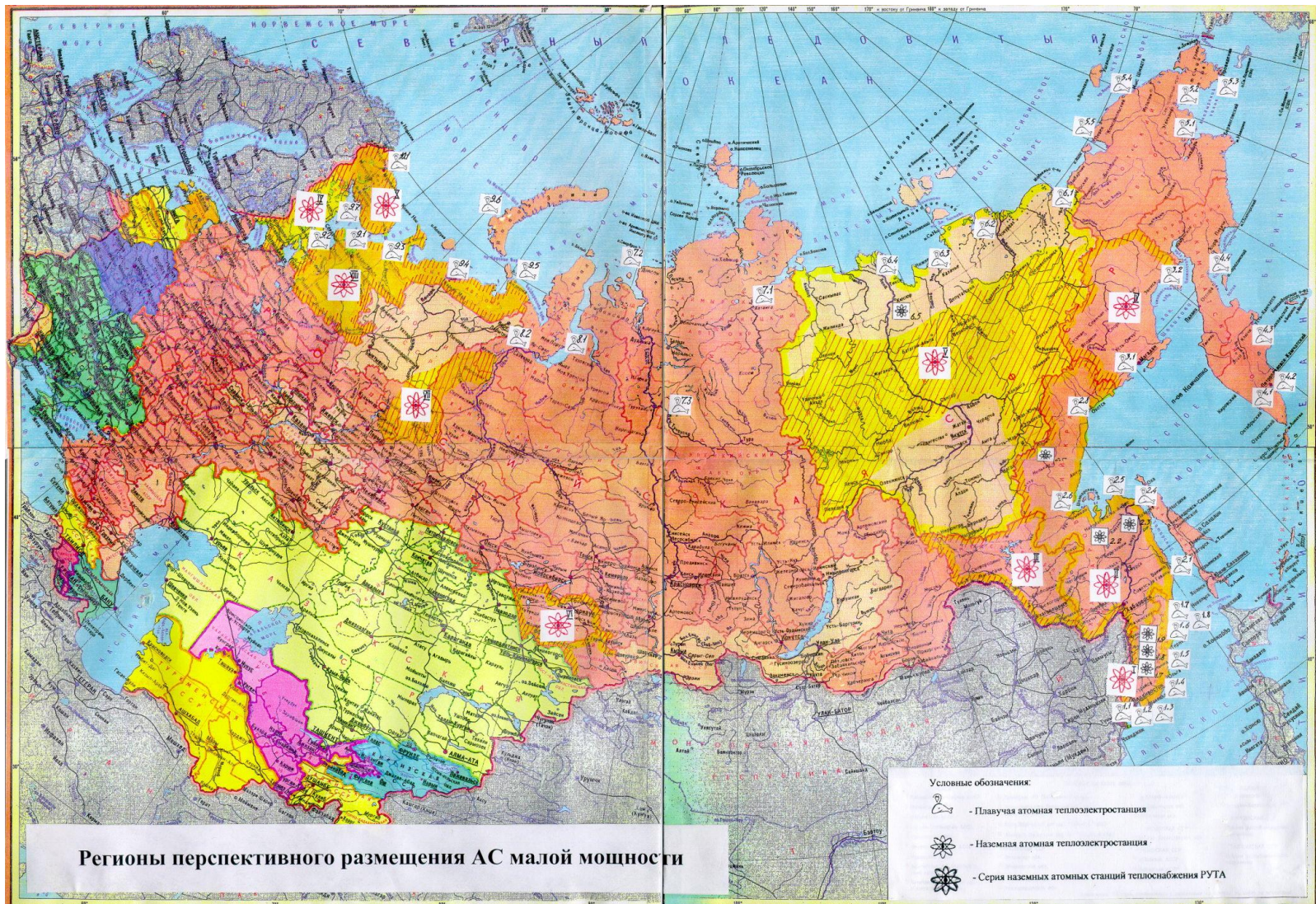
# Major transmission lines in Russia



Source: IEA, 2014



# SMR feasibility studies in the USSR





# First-of-a-kind FNPP construction project



## TECHNICAL FEATURES:

Reactor module	2 x KLT-40S
Electrical capacity	77 MW (2 x 38,5 MW)
Refueling cycle	3 years
Design life	40 years
Displacement	21,150 m tons
Length	144 m
Beam	30 m
Draught	5.6 m

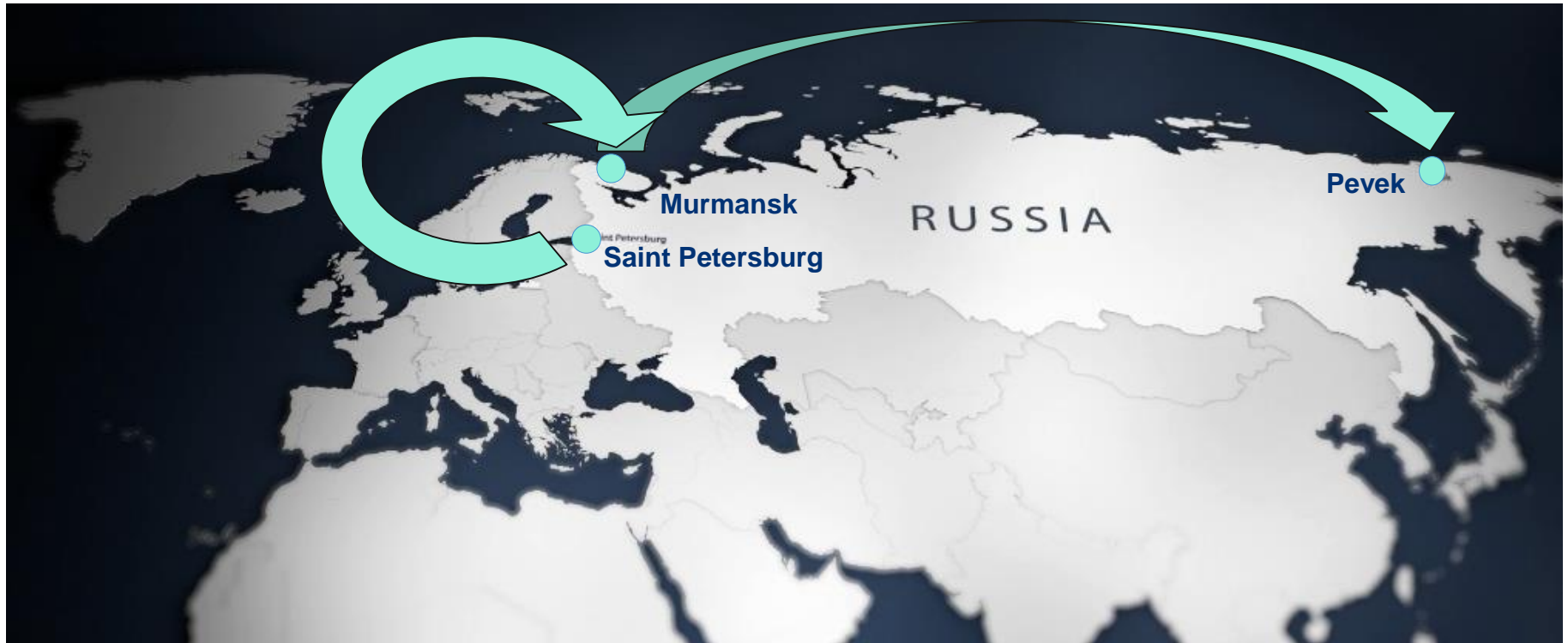
Construction started in April 2007

FPU launched in June 2010

Reactors reached criticality in November 2018

The plant is planned to be commissioned in 2019 (Pevek, Russia)

# First-of-a-kind FNPP construction project



# Work progress on the first-of-a-kind FPU



Source: Rosenergoatom, 2009



# FPU launching



Source: Rosenergoatom, 2010



# Fitting-out at the wharf



Source: Rosenergoatom, 2011

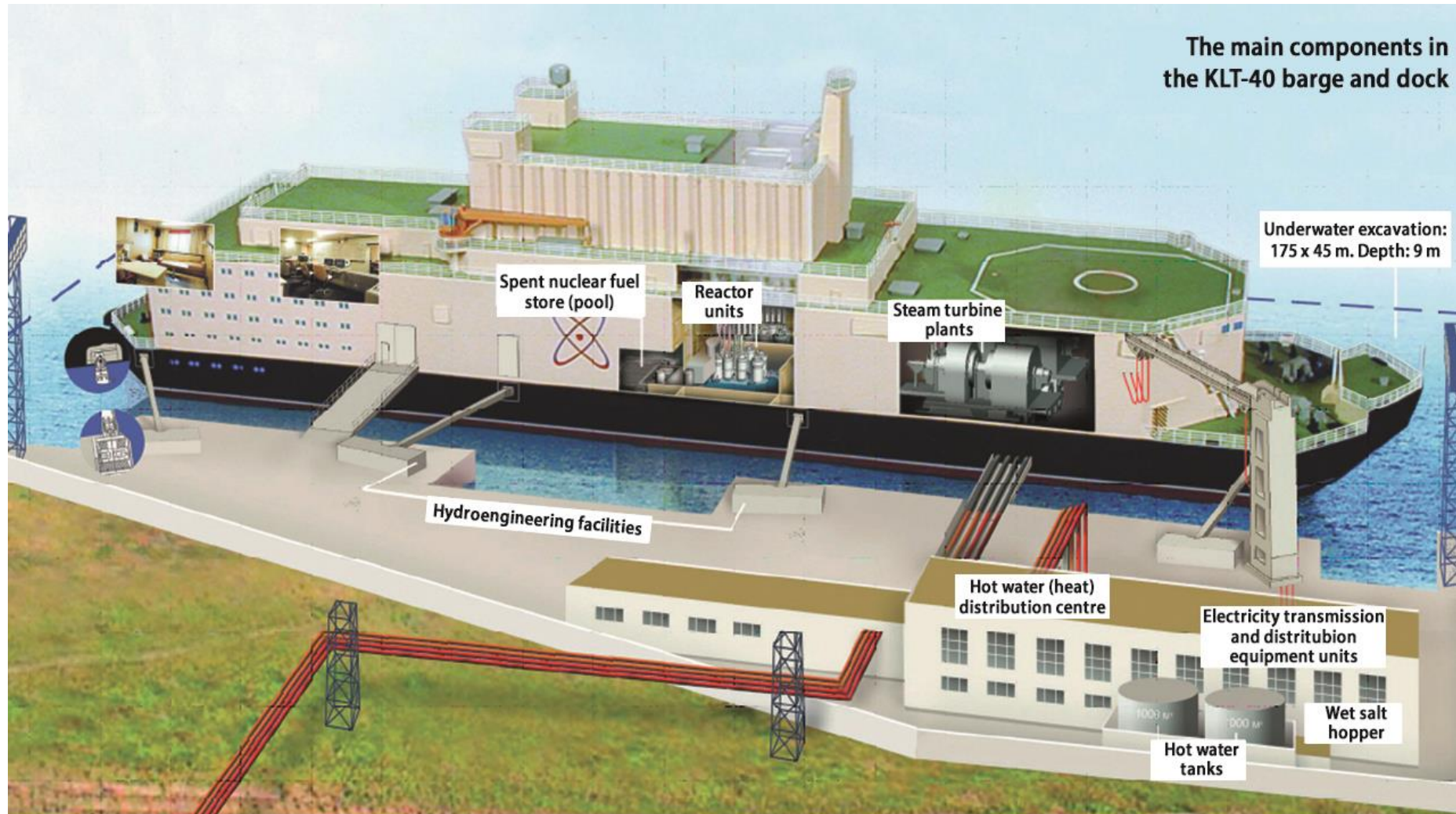
# FPU «Akademik Lomonosov» in Murmansk, Russia



Source: <https://energybase.ru/power-plant/floating-nuclear-thermal-power-plant-akademik-lomonosov>

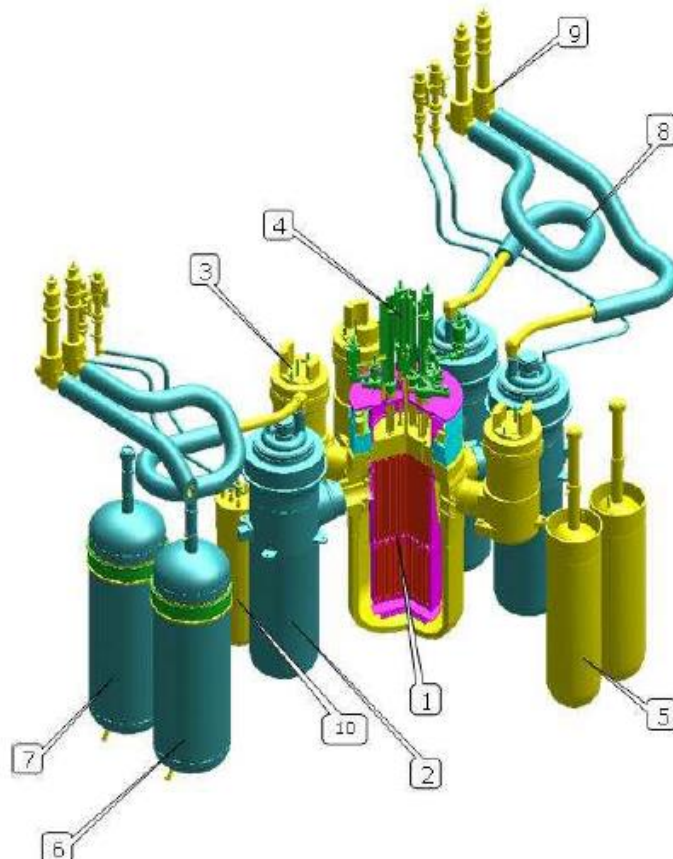


# FNPP layout



Source: OKBM, 2016. See also: [www.okbm.nnov.ru/english/lomonosov](http://www.okbm.nnov.ru/english/lomonosov)

# KLT-40S reactor



1- Reactor

2- SG

3- MCP

4- Control rod drive mechanisms

5- ECCS accumulator

6- Pressurizer (1st vessel)

7- Pressurizer (2nd vessel)

8- Steam lines

9- Localizing valves

10- HX of purification and cooldown system

Parameter	Value
1 Thermal power, MW	150
2 Number of FAs	121
3 FA across flats size, mm	98.5
4 Triangular lattice pitch, mm	100
5 Core diameter, mm	1220
6 Core height, mm	1200
7 FE dimensions across cladding, $\varnothing \times \delta$ , mm	6.8 × 0.5
8 FE cladding material	Zirconium alloy
9 Absorber element layout in FA	Central absorber element
10 Number of control rods in the core	8 compensating rods + 3 emergency protection rods

Source: IAEA Advanced Reactors Information System, 2013 (<https://aris.iaea.org/PDF/KLT-40S.pdf>)



# Installation of a KLT-40S reactor



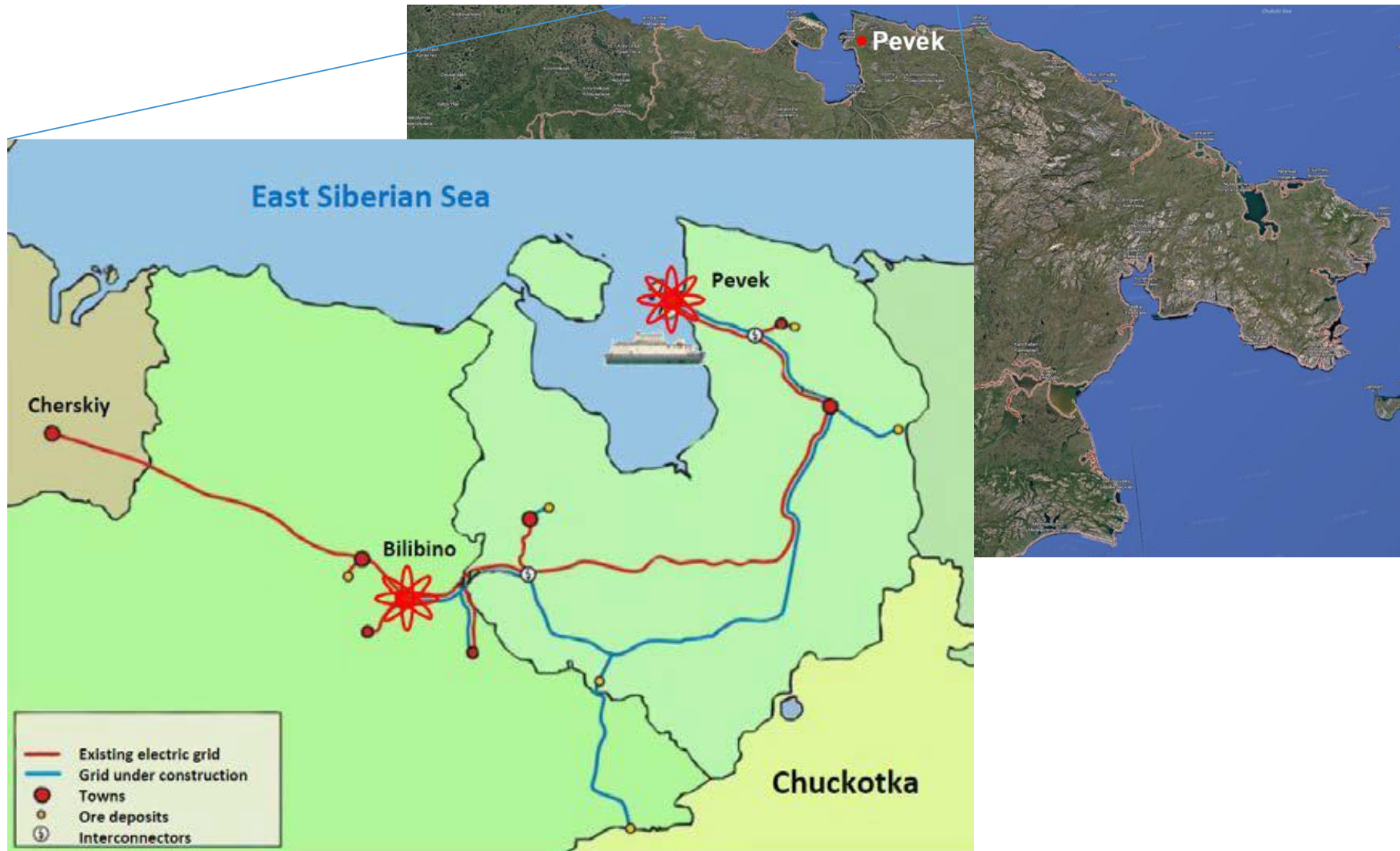
Source: <http://www.atomic-energy.ru/news/2013/09/30/44078>

# Construction timeline

2007	Construction started
2008	Main contractor was changed from Sevmash to Baltiysky Zavod causing a delay in construction
2009	In mid-2009, turbines were manufactured and installed into the vessel
2010	In June 2010 the FPU was launched
2011	Delay in construction due to bankruptcy proceedings against the shipyard. A new contract was signed with the new owner of the Baltiysky Zavod shipyard
2012	
2013	In 2013, reactors were installed into the vessel
2014	Construction of on-shore facilities in Pevek started
2015	
2016	
2017	
2018	Construction completed. Reactors reached criticality
2019	Transportation to Pevek. The plant is planned to be commissioned in late-2019

Source: Rosatom, 2019 See also: <http://www.rosenergoatom.ru/development/innovatsionnye-razrabotki/razrabotka-proektov-aes-s-reaktorami-novogo-pokoleniya/plavuchie-atomnye-teploelektrostantsii-pates/>

# Chaun-Bilibino local electric grid



Source: NEA, 2016 (<http://www.oecd-nea.org/ndd/pubs/2016/7213-smrs.pdf>)



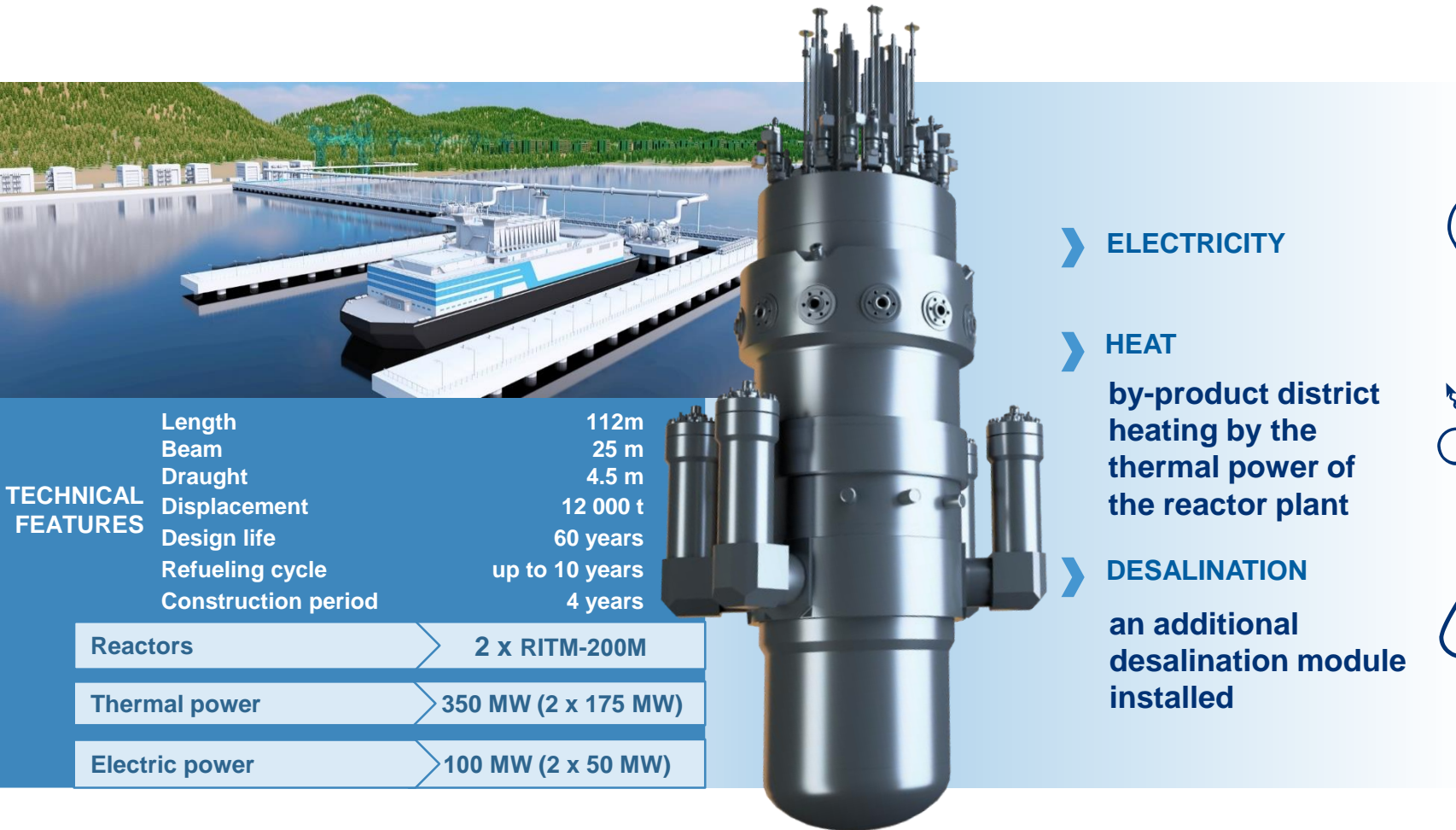
# Plans for FNPP deployment in Russia



*\* Initial choice, later changed to Saint Petersburg*

Source: <http://www.world-nuclear.org/information-library/country-profiles/countries-o-s/russia-nuclear-power.aspx>

# Next Gen FNPP with RITM-200 reactor



The image shows a 3D rendering of a Next Generation Floating Nuclear Power Plant (FNPP) with two RITM-200 reactors. The plant is a large, blue and white structure floating on a body of water, with a large, dark grey cylindrical reactor core in the foreground. The background shows a green, hilly landscape under a blue sky.

**TECHNICAL FEATURES**




Length	112m
Beam	25 m
Draught	4.5 m
Displacement	12 000 t
Design life	60 years
Refueling cycle	up to 10 years
Construction period	4 years

Reactors	2 x RITM-200M
Thermal power	350 MW (2 x 175 MW)
Electric power	100 MW (2 x 50 MW)

**ELECTRICITY**

**HEAT**  
by-product district heating by the thermal power of the reactor plant

**DESALINATION**  
an additional desalination module installed



# RITM-200 reactor

RITM Series  
Evolution

## Further development of icebreaker reactors' family



**50 Mw(e) rated power**

### MAIN TECHNICAL PARAMETERS:

Design Life	60 years
Refueling Cycle	up to 6 years
Fuel Assemblies	199
Enrichment	Below 20%
Size, L x W x H	6,0 x 13,2 x 15,5 m



**Six RITM-200's has been already manufactured**

**Four installed into “Arktika”, “Sibir” icebreakers, which are expected to be in service in 2020  
Two more will be installed in “Ural” icebreaker after 2020**

# First-of-a-kind FPU «Akademik Lomonosov» towed near Denmark

