# Identifying and addressing support needs for preventing, detecting and responding to malicious acts involving nuclear and other radioactive material: Morocco as a case

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#### **National Context**

#### **GROWING ENERGY NEEDS**

Demography: 30 millions inhabitants
 urban population: 55.1%.

Area: 710 850 km²

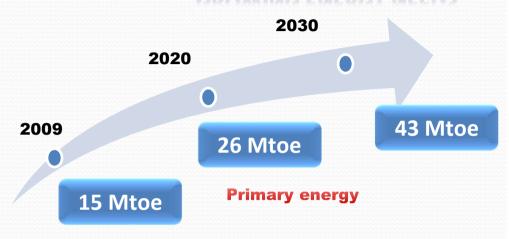
• Energy Resources: 95% imported Growth Rate: 4% to 5% year

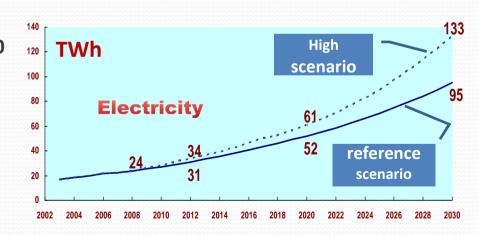
• Electricity (2009): 25 TWh: 6% to 8%/year

• Electrical Installed Capacity (2009): 6135 MW

Forecast Needs: 10 000 MW from 2020 to 2030

 Thirteen Universities and several Scientific and Technical Research Centers





#### National Context (Cont.)

- NUCLEAR POWER CONSIDERED AS AN ALTERNATIVE OPTION FOR THE PERIOD 2020-2030
- MOROCCO HAS A NUCLEAR RESEARCH CENTER EQUIPPED WITH 2 MWTH TRIGA RESEARCH REACTOR
- SINCE THE FIFTIES RADIOACTIVE SOURCES ARE USED IN MANY SOCIO-ECONOMIC SECTORS

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#### **International Commitments**

- NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY (NPT), AND ITS COMPREHENSIVE SAFEGUARD AGREEMENTS,
- CONVENTION ON THE PHYSICAL PROTECTION OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS (CPPNM) and its amended version
- UN 1540 RESOLUTION,
- ☐ INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF ACTS OF NUCLEAR TERRORISM
- □ CODE OF CONDUCT ON THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF RADIOACTIVE SOURCES
- ACTIVE MEMBER OF <u>GLOBAL INITIATIVE AGAINST NUCLEAR TERRORISM</u>

#### **Current Legislation**

- LAW ON PROTECTION AGAINST IONISING RADIATION (1971)
- **LAW RELATED TO CIVIL LIABILITY FOR NUCLEAR DAMAGE (2005)**
- □ DRAFT LAW ON NUCLEAR AND RADIOLOGICAL SAFETY AND SECURITY IN THE APPROVAL STAGE: PROVISIONS ESTABLIHSED FOR NATIONAL SYSTEM ON :
  - > Physical Protection of nuclear installations and nuclear materials
  - > Physical protection of radioactive sources
  - Accountability and control of nuclear materials

#### **Regulatory Texts**

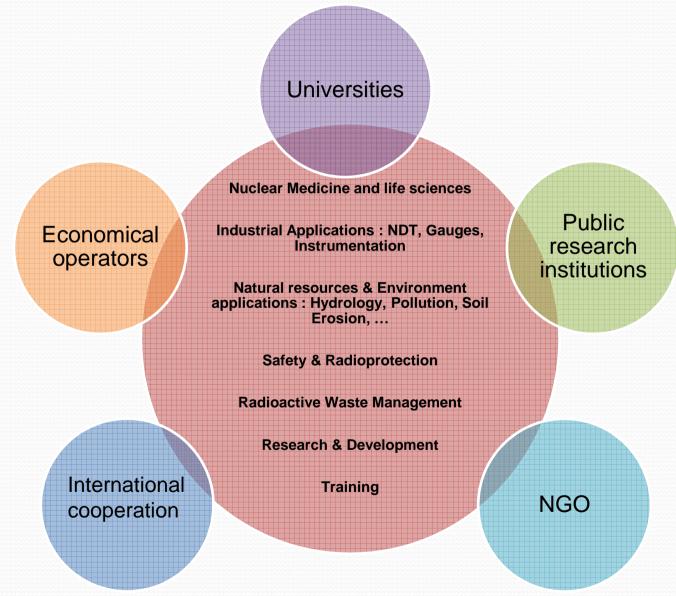
- LICENSING AND CONTROL OF NUCLEAR FACILITIES DECREE: Applied to the RESEARCH REACTOR Licensing process:
  - Construction (Prime Minister decree in 1999);
  - Release of radioactive liquid and gaseous effluents (Ministry licensing in 2005);
  - Commissioning tests ( Ministry licensing in 2006);
  - ➤ Operating (Ministry licensing in 2009)
  - ▶ Decommissioning
- RADIATION PROTECTION AGAINST IONOSING RADIATION DECREE: Licensing and control for medical and industrial utilisations

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## National Centre for Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology (CNESTEN)

- **□** IDENTITY:
  - Public Institution created in 1986
  - ♣ Reports to the Ministry of Energy, Mining, Water and Environment
- MISSION
  - Promote Nuclear Applications in social and economic sectors
  - Offer Technical Support to Public Authorities (radiation protection, radioactive waste, ..)
  - ♣ Prepare the technological basis for Nuclear Power Option
- INFRASTRUCTURE: 2MW RESEARCH REACTOR AND VARIOUS LABORATORIES
- HUMAN RESOURCES ~260 persons (70% Scientists, Engineers, Technicians)

#### Overview on CNESTEN: activities and Partnership



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#### **CNESTEN**: Integrated vision of safety and security

☐ THE STAFF IN SAFETY AND SECURITY DEPARTMENT REPRESENTS MORE THAN QUARTER OF THE SC&T CNESTEN'S STAFF

#### Physical Protection System in CNESTEN Site

- ☐ TECHNICAL MEASURES RELATED TO THE DETECTION, DELAY AND RESPONSE SYSTEMS ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS
  - Double Fence
  - Intrusion Detection System (cameras, barriers, hardened doors, locks)
  - Access Control
  - Response Force

#### ■ ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES APPLIED

- Procedures to Access to Controlled Areas
- Trustworthiness
- Surveillance, Patrols 24h/24
- Exercises

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#### TSO Vs 3 pillars

#### **Pillars**

#### Responsabilities

#### Technical & Scientific support needed

#### Prevention:

**Physical Protection** 

- state: regulatory framwork
- regulators: issuing regulations provisions.
- operator: implenting physical protection system
- Providing expertise upon request (to regulator or operator)
- Training

#### Detection:

Border monitoring

- State: Legislative provisions, national enforcement bodies (customs, police etc)
- operators: import/export provisions

- Assiatnce for procurment, installation of equipment and related training,
- -Expert service in case of detection of radioactive materials.
- **Training**

#### Response:

Emergency prepardness

- state: national enforcement agencies awarness and prepardness (civil protection, police..)
- -operators : establishing emergency prepardness plans

- Nuclear forencis laboratories
- Prviding training ,
- Exercises

#### TSO Vs 3 pillars: Morocco case

#### Prevention

- Assist in drafting nuclear law
- Implementing physical protection in the nuclear center
- Coordinating security program at the national level (GRTI)
- Training
- Developing international cooperation (IAEA, DOE)

#### Detection

- Assistance in installation of equipment at borders
- Training,
- Enhancing international cooperation (EU, IAEA, and DOE)

#### Response

- Supporting national authorities in their effort in this field.
- Training.
- Joint exercises.
- Providing laboratories and expert services

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#### Role of CNESTEN as TSO

- SUPPORT HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT OF STAKEHOLDERS
- □ DEVELOP SECURITY FORCE ON SITE : TRAINING, EXERCISES, LOGISTICS.
- CONTRIBUTE TO STRENGTH SECURITY OF HIGH RADIOACTIVE SOURCES IN THE MEDICAL AND INDUSTRIAL SITES
- □ PROVIDE TECHNICAL EXPERTISE TO PUBLIC AUTHORITIES (GLOBAL INITIATIVE TO COMBAT NUCLEAR TERRORISM ACTIVITIES, EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, ...)

### Role of NRC to establish and sustain a nuclear security regime (Cont.)

- BUILDING AND SUSTAINING CAPACITY IN SECURITY AREAS BY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL SECURITY SUPPORT CENTER
  - ✓ IMPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE FOR TRAINING IN NUCLEAR SECURITY,
  - ✓ DEVELOPING OF A TRAINING PROGRAM TAILORED TO NATIONAL NEEDS,
  - ✓ DEVELOPING A NETWORK OF EXPERTISE IN NUCLEAR SAFETY AND SECURITY,
  - ✓ STRENGTHENING COORDINATION AND NATIONAL COOPERATION
  - ✓ PROMOTING NUCLEAR SECURITY CULTURE WITHIN NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
  - ✓ DEVELOPING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. : IAEA, AFRA, EU, FRANCE, USA,...

#### **CONCLUSION**

- CNESTEN: LED PUBLIC AUTHORITIES to INITIATE A NATIONAL SECURITY REGIME
- CNESTEN INFRASTRUCTURE IS THE PLATFORM FOR NATIONALCAPACITY BUILDING (Civil Protection, Customs, National Police, ...):
- NATIONAL SECURITY CENTER PROJECT FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING
- MOROCCO AUTHORITHIES SUPPORT NETWORKING AMONG TSOs, REGIONAL, INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION and IAEA INITIATIVES

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