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No to the nuclear reactor EPR !

Join the anti-EPR international demonstration in Cherbourg, France on 15th April!

Despite a **huge nuclear overcapacity** and even though it is becoming urgent to develop a new energy consumption management and invest in renewable energy at the same time, the French Government has asked EDF t**o build a new nuclear reactor, EPR** (European Pressurized Reactor), in Flamanville (Manche/ Normandy).

The French nuclear energy lobby wants to present the public with a fait accompli and impose the substitution of existing capacities for EPRs in the future.

However, it is obvious that **choosing EPR is a wrong decision from all aspects** :

Energy : France currently over-produces electrical energy and doesn't need any new plant for the next decades. **Nuclear energy represents 78% of French electricity comsumption but only 15% of final energy consumption and... 4% of the world's**! And **it cannot replace the use of oil in transportation**. It is thus not a solution to reverse climate change either.

Economy : this extremely expensive project (billions of euros) will delay the necessary redeployment of the French industry without addressing its difficulties.

Social aspects : the increasing demand for renewable energy will help create many more jobs and will be more adapted to the future than nuclear energy. For the same investment, a wind power program would lead to twice the amount of electricity production and would create 5 times more jobs than the building of the EPR

Environment : EPR is neither providing any response to the safety nor to waste management problems which will burden future generations.

Because we **refuse the perpetuation of nuclear threat** on the planet;
Because we deny the French nuclear lobby the right to impose a new reactor on us (French people and the rest of the world);
Because we reject the confusion between state service to the public ("service public d'état") and nuclear lobbying interest;
Because we know this useless i**nvestment will end up as a burden on consumers and future generations** in France and elsewhere;
Because we want **a future made of clean, decentralized, safe and renewable energies**;

Together, let's say NO to the EPR and support the anti-EPR great gathering in Cherbourg on April

15th-16th, 2006

Stop the EPR nuclear reactor

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