



EDF announces the opening of its permanent EDF Nuclear Czechia branch in Prague and reaffirms its commitment for the delivery of an EPR1200 project at Dukovany 5 through the signing of a Values Pledge with 10 Czech and French tier one partners

On 29 June 2022 - On the occasion of its Czech-French Partners' Day for the Dukovany 5 nuclear power plant project, EDF announced the opening of its EDF Nuclear Czechia branch in Prague, dedicated to supporting the development of EDF nuclear activities for the Czech market. This decision confirms EDF's long-term commitment to support the Czech nuclear ambitions with its reactor technologies and a comprehensive value proposition.

The announcement was made during a press conference attended by French Minister Delegate for Foreign Trade and Economic Attractiveness Franck Riester, who expressed the French government's full support to the offer led by EDF for the construction of an EPR1200 reactor at the Dukovany site.

EDF has appointed Mr. Roman Zdebor as Branch Managing Director of EDF Nuclear Czechia odštěpný závod. With almost 30 years of experience in the nuclear industry, mainly associated with ŠKODA JS in the Czech Republic, Mr. Zdebor held a number of leading positions ranging from technical to commercial activities. Through his career, he collaborated, among others, with the French nuclear industry as part of ŠKODA JS activities for the EPR projects. In recent years, he worked as Construction Readiness Director at Hanhikivi nuclear power plant project in Finland and now joined EDF in the Czech Republic to contribute his skills and know-how at the service of the country's nuclear revival.

EDF Nuclear Czechia will support all EDF's nuclear activities in the Czech Republic, with a prime focus on contributing to the consolidation of EDF's EPR1200 bid for the Dukovany 5 tendering process launched by ČEZ and on accelerating the cooperation momentum between the tendering teams in France and Czech industrial partners.

During its Czech-French Partners' Day hosted at the Czech Chamber of Commerce in Prague, a "closed-door event" bringing together the tier one Czech and French industrial companies selected to be part of EDF's industrial scheme for the construction of one EPR1200 nuclear unit at the Dukovany site, EDF and its partners, namely BAEST Machines & Structures, Bouygues Travaux Publics, EDF, Framatome, GE Steam Power, Hutní Montáže a. s., I&C Energo a.s., Metrostav DIZ s.r.o., Reko Praha a.s., Sigma Group a.s., and ŠKODA JS a.s, shared the status of their joint work to establish an integrated delivery team and reiterated their mutual commitment and shared values with the signing of the Dukovany 5 Delivery Team's Values Pledge for EDF's EPR1200 proposal. In addition, EDF, Bouygues Travaux Publics and Metrostav DIZ s.r.o further reinforced their collaboration with the signature of a Tripartite Teaming Agreement focused on civil works activities to secure a high share of local content for the construction of the Dukovany 5 project. The event was inaugurated by French Minister Delegate Franck Riester, in presence of Czech Deputy Minister of Industry and Trade Tomáš Ehler.

Vakisasai Ramany, EDF Senior Vice-President in charge of New Nuclear Development, said: "The establishment of EDF Nuclear Czechia is yet another demonstration of EDF's commitment to support the Czech nuclear programme and I am very pleased to welcome Roman Zdebor in our team and company. Our presence in the Czech Republic is reinforced to support our ambition to offer ČEZ and the Czech people the most reliable and sustainable long-term partnership for a sovereign and robust Czech new nuclear programme. EDF takes measure of the responsibility and the great opportunities that a common Czech-French partnership would provide to both our countries and Europe. We reaffirm our objective to consolidate the engagement between our industries for the success of Dukovany 5 and future EPR projects in Europe."

Roman Zdebor, EDF Nuclear Czechia – Branch Managing Director, said: *“The establishment of the EDF branch in the Czech Republic comes at a crucial time and is further proof of EDF’s commitment to anchor its partnership with the Czech nuclear industry, which I am proud to have been part of for almost 30 years. It also confirms EDF’s goal to provide ČEZ with the most competitive offer. The organization of EDF’s Czech-French Partners’ Day was a unique opportunity to define concretely how we envision to deliver a truly Czech-French nuclear project for Dukovany 5. EDF has a long and successful history of cooperation with the Czech nuclear industry, and it is an extraordinary honour for me to be appointed to this new strategic position to support EDF’s European offer in my home-country”.*

This press release is certified. Check its authenticity on medias.edf.com

About EDF

As a major player in energy transition, the EDF Group is an integrated energy company active in all businesses: generation, transmission, distribution, energy trading, energy sales and energy services. EDF group is a world leader in low-carbon energy, having developed a diverse production mix based mainly on nuclear and renewable energy (including hydropower). It is also investing in new technologies to support energy transition. EDF’s raison d’être is to build a net zero energy future with electricity and innovative solutions and services, to help save the planet and drive well-being and economic development. The Group is involved in supplying energy and services to approximately 38.5 million customers (1), of whom 29.3 million in France (2). It generated consolidated sales of €84.5 billion in 2021. EDF is listed on the Paris Stock Exchange.

(1) Since 2018, customers are counted per delivery site. A customer can have two delivery points: one for electricity and another one for gas.

(2) Including ÉS (Électricité de Strasbourg) and SEI.

Print this press release only if you need to.

EDF SA

22-30 avenue de Wagram
75382 Paris cedex 08 - France
Capital of 1 934 240 171,50 euros
552 081 317 R.C.S. Paris
www.edf.fr

Contacts**Press:**

+33 (0) 1 40 42 46 37

Analysts and Investors:

+33 (0) 1 40 42 78 36