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Special Session Caps WNE USA Pavilion Activities

A USA Pavilion-led session focusing on American nuclear energy technology development was among the featured highlights of the inaugural gathering of key international nuclear energy principals at the World Nuclear Exhibition (WNE) in Paris from October 14 – 16, 2014.

The U.S. session was sponsored by the U.S. Nuclear Infrastructure Council (USNIC). It included reports on Plant Vogtle new build; Gen 3+ and small reactor developments; and the MOX Fuel Fabrication Facility. In addition to the Council, presenters included State of Georgia Commissioner Tim Echols and representatives from GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy, NuScale Power, Nuclear Energy Institute and EXCEL Services Corporation. Presentations are available at the USNIC web site (www.usnic.org)

Other USA Pavilion highlights included a visit by new Nuclear Energy Agency Director-General William D. Magwood, IV, a former U.S. NRC Commissioner. The USA Pavilion was twice featured in the WNE Tribune, the expo’s daily newspaper.

The Minister-Counselor for the U.S. Embassy in Paris Reginald Miller cut a ceremonial ribbon to officially open the USA Pavilion along with WNE General Chairman Gerard Kottman, Georgia Public Service Commissioner Echols and officials from the 10-member company American industry delegation.

The USA Pavilion Delegation included: USNIC; GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy; PaR Systems; CB&I AREVA MOX Services; Nuclear Energy Institute; EXCEL Services Corporation; Fairbanks Morse Engine; KURION; PEERLESS Mfg. Co.; and NuScale Power.

The biennial WNE featured 495 exhibitors, an estimated 7,200 attendees from 71 countries, morning roundtables and dozens of workshops at Le Bourget field, site of the Paris Air Show and the landing site for pioneer American aviator Charles Lindbergh’s famous solo nonstop New York to Paris flight in 1927.

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