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**11th INPRO Dialogue Forum on
on Roadmaps for a Transition to Globally Sustainable Nuclear**

Energy Systems

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Ladies and Gentlemen, dear colleagues,

On behalf of our DDG, Mr Chudakov, and our Director, Mr Hahn, I would like to thank all of you for your successful participation in the 11th INPRO Dialogue Forum. The meeting has served its main purpose to facilitate a dialogue between Member State technology holders and users to discuss perspectives regarding their positions, potential roles and issues related to development of a more structured approach for achieving globally sustainable nuclear energy. This Dialogue Forum has made further progress on the objectives of the on-going INPRO collaborative project: “Roadmaps for a transition to globally sustainable nuclear energy systems”.

During the last four days, you have discussed a number of key topics which are important to achieve globally sustainable nuclear energy. Unfortunately, our DDG is out of the office and has not been able to meet with you, but our new Division Director, Mr Hahn has been able to attend several parts of the Forum. Mr Kuznetsov briefed me on his early impressions of the Forum yesterday evening. I know that you have had interesting discussions and some debates on potential options to amplify cooperation among countries and the various nuclear energy technologies have been discussed along with near and medium term actions needed to secure pathways towards long term global sustainability of nuclear energy.

Your discussions will help us revise the draft white paper on “options for enhanced nuclear energy sustainability” and elaborate an overall approach for the ROADMAPS collaborative project, including development of the roadmaps template. We will carefully analyse the multiple reviews of the white paper and the questionnaires submitted by you, as well as your presentations and all discussions held during the forum, to produce the final report of the meeting. We will also convene a dedicated consultants’ meeting in December 2015 to finalize that report, which will be submitted to Mr Chudakov – the INPRO Project Manager.

Before concluding, I would like to acknowledge the INPRO Section for their diligent efforts organizing this meeting, the Planning and Economic Studies Section, the Division of Nuclear Fuel Cycle and Waste Technology, all from the Department of Nuclear Energy; the Division of Concepts and Planning in the Department of Safeguards and the Division of Nuclear Security of the Department of Nuclear Safety and Security for their support to inform us on crucial and cross-cutting institutional issues.

I thank the Scientific Secretaries, Vladimir Kuznetsov and Galina Fesenko, for their hard work to develop and guide the technical agenda and prepare the Secretariat technical papers and presentations. Moreover, our INPRO Section administrative staff, Ms Karron Robinson-Onorati, did a tremendous job assisting them. I also thank the INPRO interns and the conference clerk for their essential assistance.

Finally, I especially thank the Forum Chairman, Mr Luc Van den Durpel, for his continuous and enthusiastic support to INPRO.

I thank you all again for your active participation and wish you a safe trip back home! I declare this Dialogue Forum closed.