



**United Nations Climate Change Conference
Conference of Parties COP-14**

**European Nuclear Society
Young Generation Network
(ENS YGN)**

Side Event

“Debating nuclear and climate change”

Short presentation of ENS YGN

Igor Vuković (ENS YGN Chair / University of Zagreb – FER)

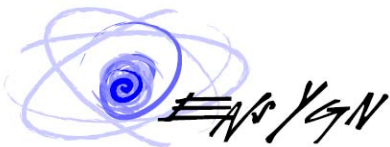
Room: Pavilion 15C - Wild sheep (BINGO)

Poznań, 2nd December 2008, 19:15 – 21:00 h



Side event content

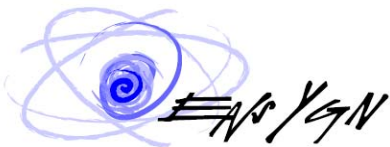
- ***Banquet meal and welcome drinks***
- ***Welcome addresses and presentation of side event***
 - Edouard Hourcade, CEA Saclay, France / ENS YGN
- ***Presentation of ENS YGN***
 - Igor Vuković, ENS YGN / University of Zagreb – FER
- ***Climate change, can we do without nuclear energy?***
 - Hans Korteweg, ENS / FORATOM / International Youth Nuclear Congress
- ***Sustainable Nuclear Contribution to the 21st Century Energy Production***
 - Alexey Lokhov, CEA Saclay, France
- ***Discussion: “Which role for nuclear energy in the future?”***
 - Moderator: Wim Uyttenhove, SCK•CEN, Belgium / ENS YGN



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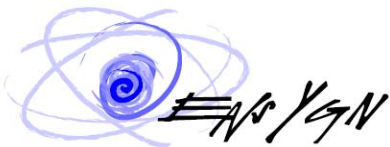


- An umbrella association of 20+ national nuclear societies
- Non-profit-making association
- Represents professionals who work in the field of peaceful applications of nuclear energy
- Focus in science, research, education and training
- ENS is a learning society
- National nuclear societies run by volunteers



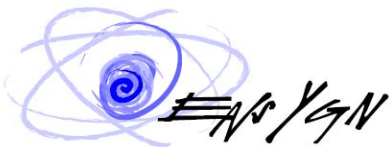
ENS Young Generation Network

- A part of mother society - European Nuclear Society
- Founded in 1995 on the initiative president-elect of ENS to help spread the YGN to all member countries
- Today, the YGN exists in 21 European countries and has developed clear objectives
- Network of young professionals up to age of 35
- The future of nuclear lies with the young generation



ENS YGN objectives

- **Attracting young people in science and research**
 - Young people working in nuclear field should be prepared to take new challenges in the nuclear science, research and education
- **Knowledge management and transfer**
 - The transfer of knowledge from the generation which built the industry to the young generation is already taking place
- **Thinking nationally and internationally**
 - The YGN seeks to bring together young people working in the nuclear field at a national and international level
- **Opening up workshops, seminars, forums, debates**
 - YGN organises topical workshops, seminars, forums and other technical meetings for young people



ENS YGN activities

- Organisation of topical workshops
 - Brussels, ENC 2007, “*Challenges and Opportunities for Nuclear Professionals*”
 - Interlaken, IYNC 2008, “*Challenges for New Nuclear Power Plants Projects in Europe*”
- Organisation of *European Nuclear YG Forum*
 - Croatia 2005, Netherlands 2007, Spain 2009 (www.enygf09.org)
- ENS YGN members plays significant role in organising International Youth Nuclear Congress (IYNC)



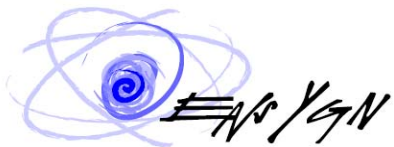
ENS YGN activities

- Education of general public
 - Lectures, exhibitions, stands...
- Interviews with journalist
- Discussions and debates
 - General public, youth section of political parties, NGOs



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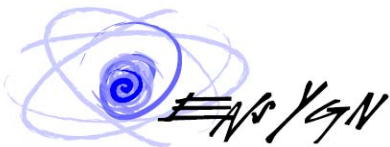
- Position papers
- Visits of technical facilities
- Keynote speeches
- Engagement in the international projects



ENS participation in COP conferences



- Example of previous participation
 - COP-11 in 2005
 - Keynote speaker: Patrick Moore
- Reasons:
 - To promote nuclear energy as a carbon free source for electricity production in large quantities in reliable, affordable and sustainable way
 - To provide true facts about nuclear energy
 - To encourage constructive discussion with the opponents based on arguments



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**...because we are the future of nuclear
science, research and education in Europe!**

