

Mission Statements of International Nuclear Regulators

OGC reviewed the readily available mission statements of several nuclear regulators in the international community and provides them below. Similar to the NRC, the mission statements reviewed focus on the protection of people and the environment.

Canada: “The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission regulates the use of nuclear energy and materials to protect health, safety, security and the environment; to implement Canada’s international commitments on the peaceful use of nuclear energy; and to disseminate objective scientific, technical and regulatory information to the public.”¹

Finland: “The purpose of STUK’s operations is to protect people, society, the environment and future generations from the harmful effects of radiation.”²

India: “The Mission of the AERB is to ensure the use of ionizing radiation and nuclear energy in India does not cause undue risk to the health of people and the environment.”³

Japan: “Our fundamental mission is to protect the general public and the environment through rigorous and reliable regulations of nuclear activities.”⁴

Republic of Korea: “To protect people and the environment and to contribute to the peace of mankind,

- We secure the highest level of nuclear safety.
- We protect nuclear facilities from both internal and external threats, such as terrorism.
- We strengthen emergency system for any nuclear emergency or accidents.
- We comply with international standards for the peaceful use of nuclear energy.”⁵

Poland: “Through regulatory and supervisory activities we aim to ensure that activities involving exposure to ionizing radiation are conducted safely both for workers, the general public, and the environment.”⁶

¹ Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission, <https://www.cnsccs.gc.ca/eng/about-us/our-mission/> (last visited Sept. 23, 2024).

² STUK, Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority, <https://stuk.fi/en/strategy#:~:text=Mission%20statement,the%20harmful%20effects%20of%20radiation> (last visited Sept. 23, 2024).

³ Atomic Energy Regulatory Board, <https://aerb.gov.in/english/about-us#:~:text=Organization-.The%20Mission%20of%20the%20AERB%20is%20to%20ensure%20the%20use,of%20people%20and%20the%20environment> (last visited Sept. 23, 2024).

⁴ Nuclear Regulation Authority, https://www.nra.go.jp/english/e_nra/idea.html#:~:text=Mission,reliable%20regulations%20of%20nuclear%20activities (Jan. 9, 2013).

⁵ Nuclear Safety and Security Commission, https://www.nssc.go.kr/en/cms/FR_CON/index.do?MENU_ID=270 (last visited Sept. 23, 2024).

⁶ National Atomic Energy Agency (PAA), <https://www.gov.pl/web/paa-en/mission> (last visited Sept. 23, 2024).