

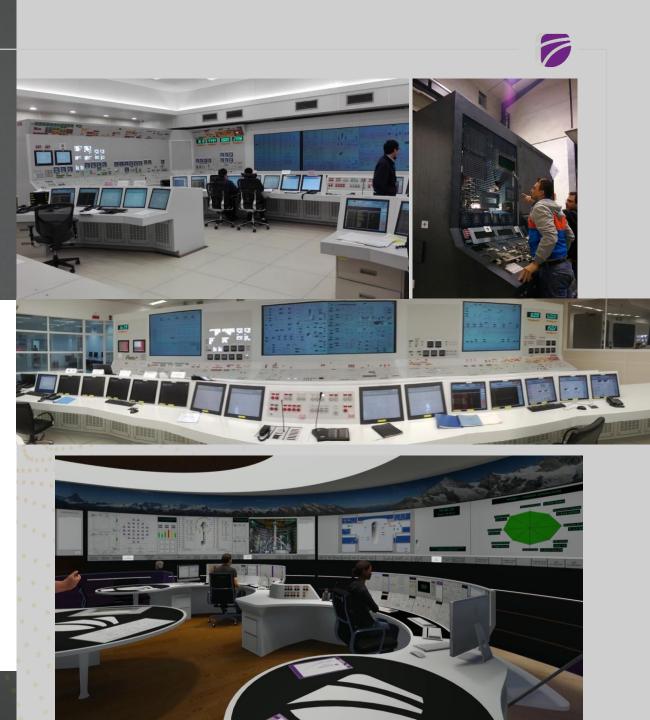
Challenges and Lessons Learned for Designing and Supplying Control Rooms for Nuclear Power Plants

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# Nuclear Control Rooms Challenges



Source: NS Energy





#### TECNATOM BACKGROUND

COMPANY FOUNDATION

ZORITA NPP PROGRAM STARTS



DEVELOPMENT OF SPANISH NPP PROGRAM



TECHNOLOGICAL INDEPENDENCE ACHIEVED



TECNATOM AS INTERNATIONAL GROUP



Complex technological industries with the highest quality and safety standards

Current Nuclear Fleet
New Reactors
Advanced Reactors
Research Reactors



Gas Combined Coal Cogeneration



Renewable



1975-1979

Automated Inspection Systems

Power

**Full Scope Simulators** 

Internationalization in Nuclear Markets

90's

Consolidation of Strategic Alliances 2000's

Diversification to Synergic Markets

Training & Safety

peration Testing

Inspection & Product

chnology &



Oil & Gas Manufacturing Process Industry



Aerospace Railway



Industrial



#### **OUR APPROACH**



- Full Scope Simulators: Engineering & Training
- Own Simulation tools-suit
- Digital Twin
- Simulation, Emulation and stimulation of I&C systems



Operating Support Solutions

**OPERATIONS KNOWLEDGE** 

Simulation technology

Control Rooms



- Monitoring Center
- Predictive Monitoring
- Efficiency Monitoring
- Computerized Operation Support Systems



- Human Factor Engineering analysis & design
- Independent verification and Validation
- Instrumentation and Control system Integrator
- Mechanical & Electrical design
- Commercial Grade Dedication and Qualification
- Control Rooms manufacturing and Commissioning
- Cybersecurity



# TECNATOM EXPERIENCES



















Fangchengang 3&4 Xe-100

X-Energy

Westinghouse FOAKE AP600

South Texas Project 3&4 Westinghouse **ABWR** 

Fangjiashan 1&2 CNNC **CPR1000** 

Fuqing 3&4 CNNC **CPR1000** 

Krsko 1 **ENEC** PWR-632 Hongjianghe 5&6 **CGN ACPR1000** 

CGN Hualong

2020

1992

2009











2015







Lungmen 1&2

General Electric **ABWR** 

Fuging 1&2 CNNC CPR1000

Hainan 1&2 CNNC **CPR650** 

Yangjiang 5&6 CGN ACPR100

Hualong No.1 **FOAKE** CGN Hualong

Tianwan 5&6 **CNNC-CGN** APR1000

Wilfa

Horizon **ABWR** 



**CTMSP SMR100** 





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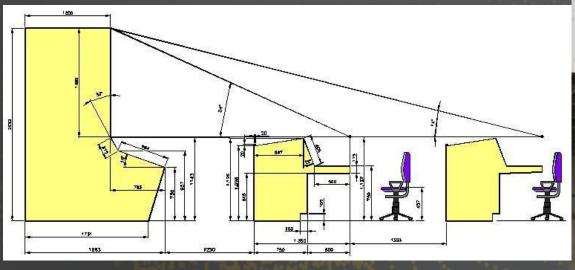
- Control Room modernizations & HFE for NPPs: Krško, Turkey Point, Atucha, Angra, Embalse, Asco, Vandellos, Kalinin, Almaraz, Cofrentes, Zorita, Garoña, Beznau, ...
- I&C consultancy for RASU Hanhikivi NPP,
   Argentina Regulatory Body, CAREM...
- SMR's: Xe-100, BWRX-300, Carem-25







# Applying Human Factors Engineering (HFE) in the whole life cycle







# **HFE Methodology**







IAEA

Analysis

Operating experience review

Functional Requirements Analysis

Allocation of Function

**Task Analysis** 

**Staffing & Qualification** 

Design

Human Machine Interface Design

**Procedure Development** 

Training Program Development Test

Human Factors Verification and Validation

Implementation

Design implementation

Human performance monitoring

Licensing

Design

**Testing** 

Life cycle



# WHY APPLYING HFE IN CR DESIGN?



Mandatory from Nuclear Regulatory Body

> i.e. NRC FSAR Chapter 18



Design adapted to the operator needs

Considering design and operation events and system performance Reducing Human Error



Project Cost Reduction

Integrating HFE in design process reduces rework
Input for Operating
Procedures and Training
Program



O&M costs reduction

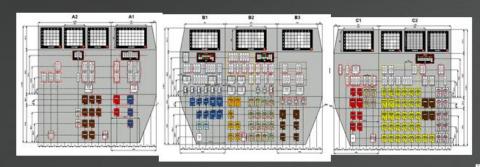
Reduction of Operation & Maintenance costs due to a better maintainability Designing, constructing and testing control rooms







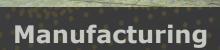
#### **Control Rooms**



**HFE and Basic Design** 



Testing & commissioning







Qualification









Verification & Validation — Mock-up —



#### **Electrical and I&C cabinets for NPPs**



Switchgear cabinet



Motor Control Center (MCC) cabinet

**UPS** cabinet



**Local I&C Cabinet** 

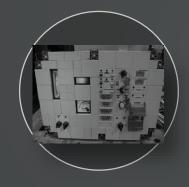




# **EXPERIENCES FROM CR SUPPLY**



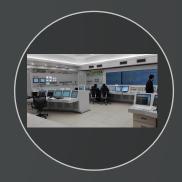
Compliance with regulatory standards and appropriate QA program



Controlling the supply chain



Spare parts and warranty management



Experience and Know-how



### **I&C Nuclear Systems**

- Analysis of compliance with I&C nuclear regulation standards
- Support to Safety and Licensing Analysis
- Integration of I&C technologies
- Independent Verification & Validation









# CONTROL ROOMS FOR NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

INTEGRATING HFE REGULATORY STANDARDS QA PROGRAM

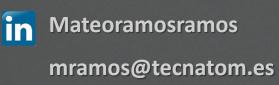
**EXPERIENCE** 



# THANKS!



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