

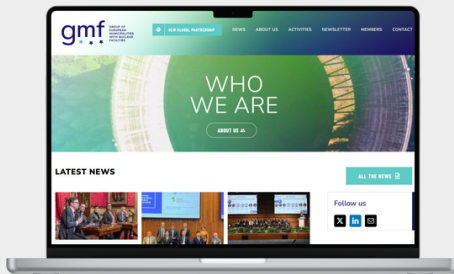
# GMF

## GROUP OF EUROPEAN MUNICIPALITIES WITH NUCLEAR FACILITIES



### MEET GMF EUROPE

- GMF, launched in 2000, is a non-profit association consisting of municipalities and associations of municipalities (interested in) hosting nuclear facilities across 16 European countries.
- The members of GMF are the mayors of nuclear municipalities.
- The mission of GMF is to represent the views of local authorities at the European level and to ensure safety, promote transparency, and foster meaningful engagement in nuclear matters.
- GMF facilitates the exchange of knowledge and experience among members and interested stakeholders regarding different aspects of living with nuclear facilities.



MORE ABOUT GMF EUROPE  
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### GMF EUROPE AND SMRs

GMF members have an interest in SMRs as they represent the local governing bodies elected by citizens, responsible for land use planning, infrastructure, and community engagement. Municipalities play a crucial role in site selection and permitting, acting as intermediaries between developers, residents, and other stakeholders to ensure transparency and community participation. Municipalities also have a role regarding infrastructures and services, such as emergency response. Other topics of interest for municipalities, apart from the priority of ensuring safety, include job opportunities, regional development, and the need to align SMR development with regional energy and sustainability goals.

### OUR PROJECTS AND EXPERTISE



GMF is chairing the TWG5 Public Engagement of the **European Industrial Alliance** since its inception. The Executive Director of GMF is a member of the Governing Board of the Industrial Alliance.

GMF regularly organises seminars and workshops to exchange good practices on local governance among the members and interested parties. GMF members are often invited to meetings to share their knowledge and experience regarding how to ensure information, participation and transparency, as well as socio-economic development in areas interested in hosting nuclear facilities or as part of European research projects.



GMF is one of the founding members of the **Global Partnership of Nuclear Communities with the Energy Communities Alliance (ECA)** in the United States and the Canadian Association of Nuclear Host Communities (CANHC). Similar associations of nuclear municipalities in South Korea, Japan, and municipalities in Argentina are in the process of joining. The goal of this Global Partnership is to provide municipalities around the globe with educational resources, a voice, and a role in nuclear issues, including SMRs.



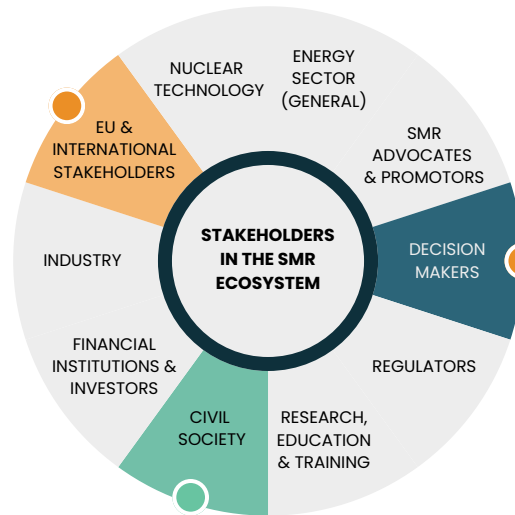
*Industry and governments should consider local governments and their communities as partners, actively listening to them, engaging in early dialogue, providing resources for participation and establishing partnerships throughout the decision-making process, development, operations, closure and decommissioning phases of SMRs. The role of municipalities is not to defend or go against SMRs, but to listen to the citizens and work together to decide what is best for the community. Potential support to these projects could be provided if the necessary safety and regulatory requirements are fulfilled, along with a participatory process to co-create the future of the community, taking into account the societal, economic and environmental considerations.*

## GMF EUROPE IN THE EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL ALLIANCE ON SMRS



### TWG5: Public Engagement

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### WHO WE ARE

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