

# Decommissioning Experience and Expectations in Sweden from a Regulator's Point of View

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- → The Swedish Radiation Safety Authority, SSM
- Features of the national programme
- Decommissioning in Sweden
- SSM's interactions in the context of decommissioning
  - > 3 examples
- Concluding remarks communication, transparency & participation





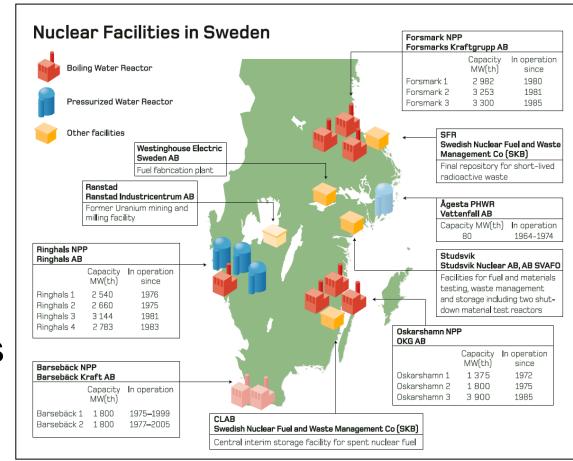


- Consistent long term national strategies & planning
  - Continuous research & development program
  - Implementation of storage & disposal solutions
  - Integrated approach to waste & decommissioning
  - Financial arrangements in place and working
- Clear division of responsibilities between actors
- Integrity, competence & independence of the regulator
- Openness & transparency, active stakeholder involvement



### Decommissioning in Sweden

- Limited experience todate
- A number of projects underway & imminent
  - Ranstad facilities
  - Research facilities
  - First commercial NPP
- Further closure of NPPs
- Interactions with waste management system





- Three examples:
  - ➤ In SSM's <u>own decision-making</u>
  - ➤ Where SSM gives inputs <u>as a stakeholder</u> into other decision-making processes
  - ➤ Where SSM needs to be aware of <u>decisions</u> taken by other competent organisations



# SSM's own decision-making

- e.g. SSM's review of aspects of planning for decommissioning; review of R, D, & D programmes; financing provisions
- Based on submissions, application from industry
- SSM seeks and receives input from a range of stakeholders
  - Dialogue with stakeholders
  - SSM's initial review circulated & published for comment
  - Stakeholders comments explicitly addressed in SSM's final review and proposals/decisions



- e.g. SSM provides expert advice related to decommissioning project decisions pursuant to the Environmental Code
- Dialogue with industry and other competent authorities prior to application to the Court
- Review of the application by SSM
- Formal advice & testimony submitted by SSM
- Binding judgement by Court, to be followed by all parties in their respective activities

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- e.g. building permit decisions taken by local authority on interim waste storage
- SSM needs to be aware of the decision and analyse the implications
- May need to be taken into account by SSM:
  - In its direct regulatory oversight roles
  - Because of potential indirect effects on the planning or execution of decommissioning projects, timing, cost projections, etc



- Public insight into regulatory activities & role in decision-making
- Legal provisions for transparency and public participation, rights of access to information
- Opportunities for effective participation as part of the decision-making process
- Active stakeholder involvement, incl. financial support to NGO's



# Thank you!

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