

***newcleo***  
**Company presentation**

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# Global context

Meeting the growing energy needs of the planet is one of the main challenges for the coming years

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Dependence on fossil fuels and the consequent huge pollution of the planet make the development of alternative energy sources dramatically urgent

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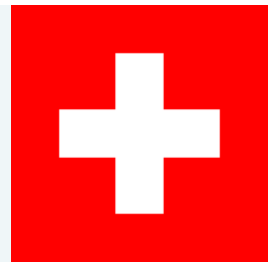
The increasing use of solar and wind as sources represents an important transition of the energy balance, but they are not enough to meet needs

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Nuclear has a key role to play in providing reliable and clean base load power, and ensuring the resilience of power networks during the transition



# The case of Switzerland



Switzerland.

## WE ARE FULL OF ENERGY

The conclusion

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The solution

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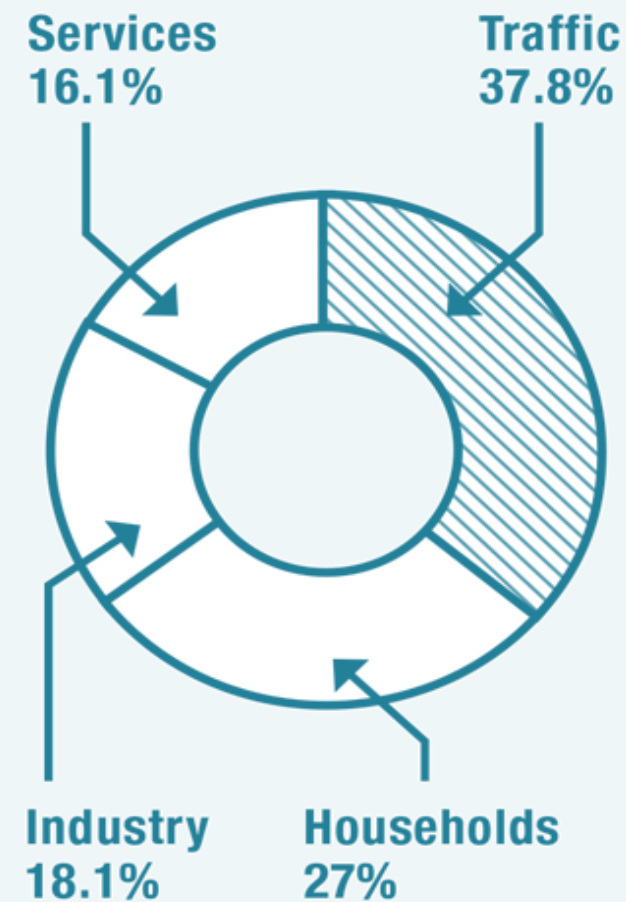
By 2035, average energy consumption per capita is to be reduced by 43%.

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Grande-Dixence (Valais) is one of the highest dam in the world.

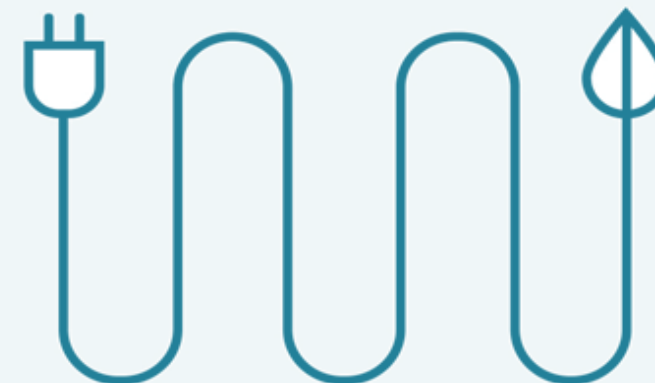


Energy consumption 2018:



## 2050

In 2017, the Swiss electorate approved a new energy law. This energy law is part of an innovative strategy which is to be implemented by 2050 and includes the phasing out of nuclear energy.



## WATER

Hydroelectric power, which provides just under 60% of total electricity production, is the most important domestic source of renewable energy.

Energy sources:

Petroleum	39.8%
Nuclear energy	24.3%
Hydroelectric power	12.3%
Gas	10.9%
Other	12.7%

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Electric mobility  
Phase out  
Heat pumps

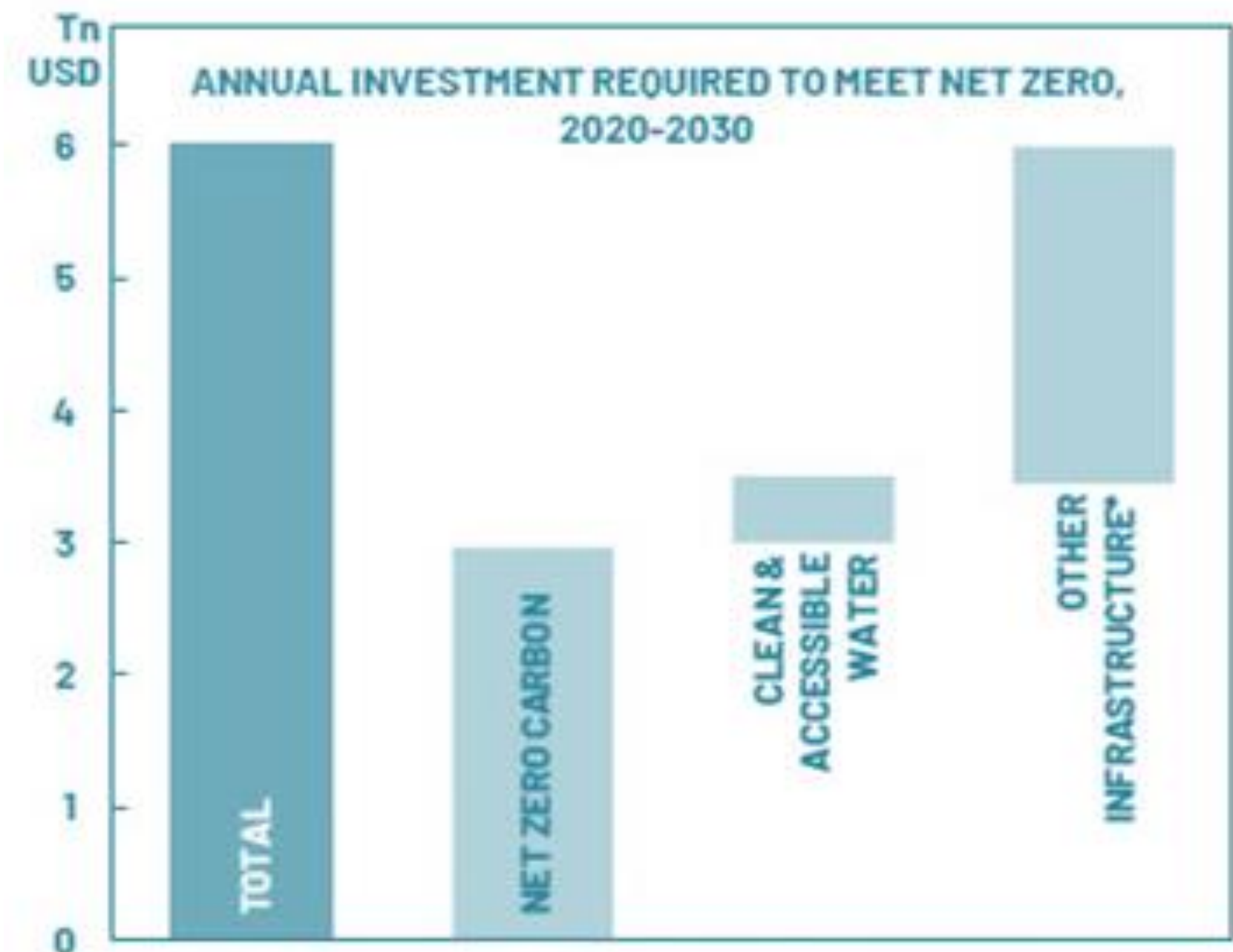
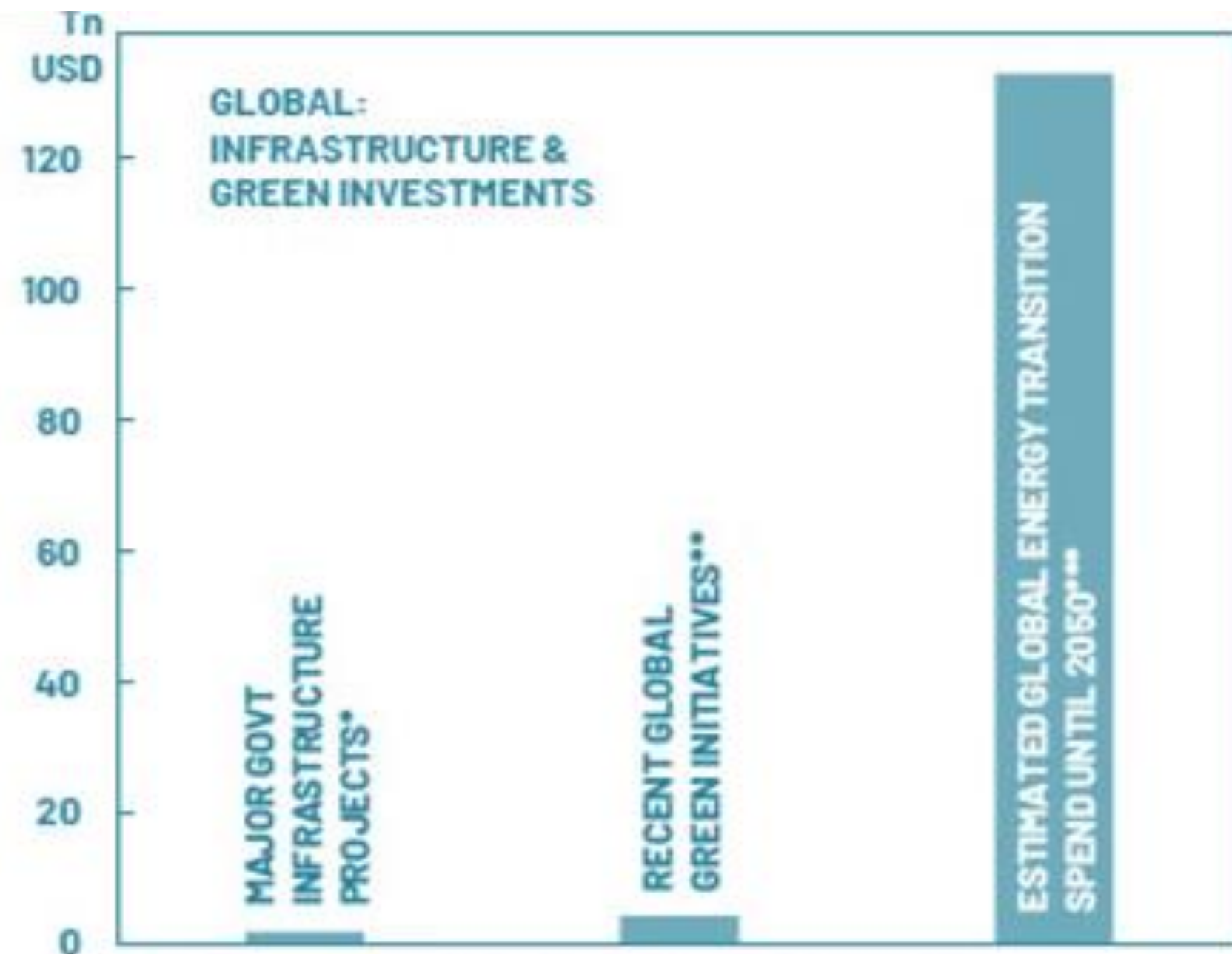
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“Any supply shortfalls will be covered by electricity from fossil fuels and by imports”

Just in case...

# The opportunity

Fighting climate change is estimated to require a huge capex buildout, likely to dwarf any global investment initiative ever made before



Source: Clocktower 2021

# A new, disruptive player in nuclear energy

HQ in London, the ideal base for operations requiring connectivity and an international workforce

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International research centre in Turin, Italy with over 100 nuclear physicists and engineers – our “energy innovators”

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We secured our initial funding by successfully completing capital raising for USD 118 million

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Approach based on our innovative application of well-developed technologies and our ownership of a significant number of relevant patents

**This will enable us to build new industrial standards incrementally and efficiently**

# Safe, clean and inexhaustible

01

*Use lead as a coolant,* rather than water or sodium to create a new generation of Lead Fast Reactors (LFRs)

02

*Implement a new fuel cycles,* including *Thorium*, for cost effective, clean, safe and inexhaustible production of nuclear energy

03

*Develop an Accelerator-Driven System (ADS),* fed by a plurality of new fuels. In the ADS, energy generation is sustained and intrinsically safe – it is controlled with a cascade of reactions generated by a particle accelerator

Our technology **eliminates the use of geological repositories** currently necessary for plutonium and minor actinides (waste products of nuclear reactions) by using them as fuel



# Timeline of priorities

**01**

**5 years – prototype Micro**

Design and realise a full-scale non-nuclear industrial prototype of a liquid lead modular micro-reactor in collaboration with ENEA

**02**

**7 years – Micro 5 MWe, Small 30-40 MWe, Burner 30-40 MWe, Burner 200-300 MWe**

Significant commercial application of LFR with nuclear fuel for use in remote areas, shipping and to burn existing nuclear waste. Finally, large scale application

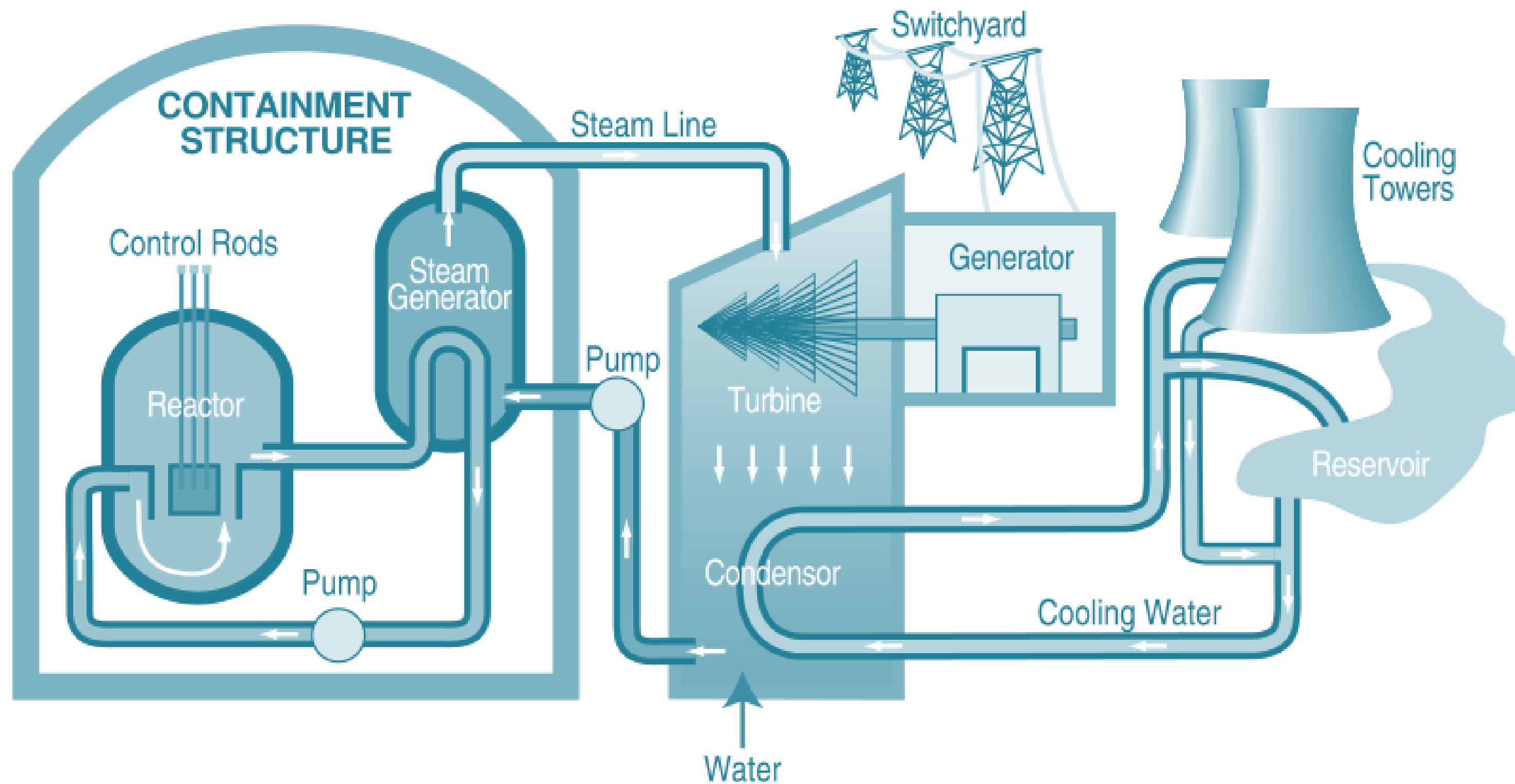
**03**

**15 year - ADS 100 MWe**

Realisation of the ADS prototype with subcritical reactor core coupled with a high-energy proton accelerator

# Electricity generation

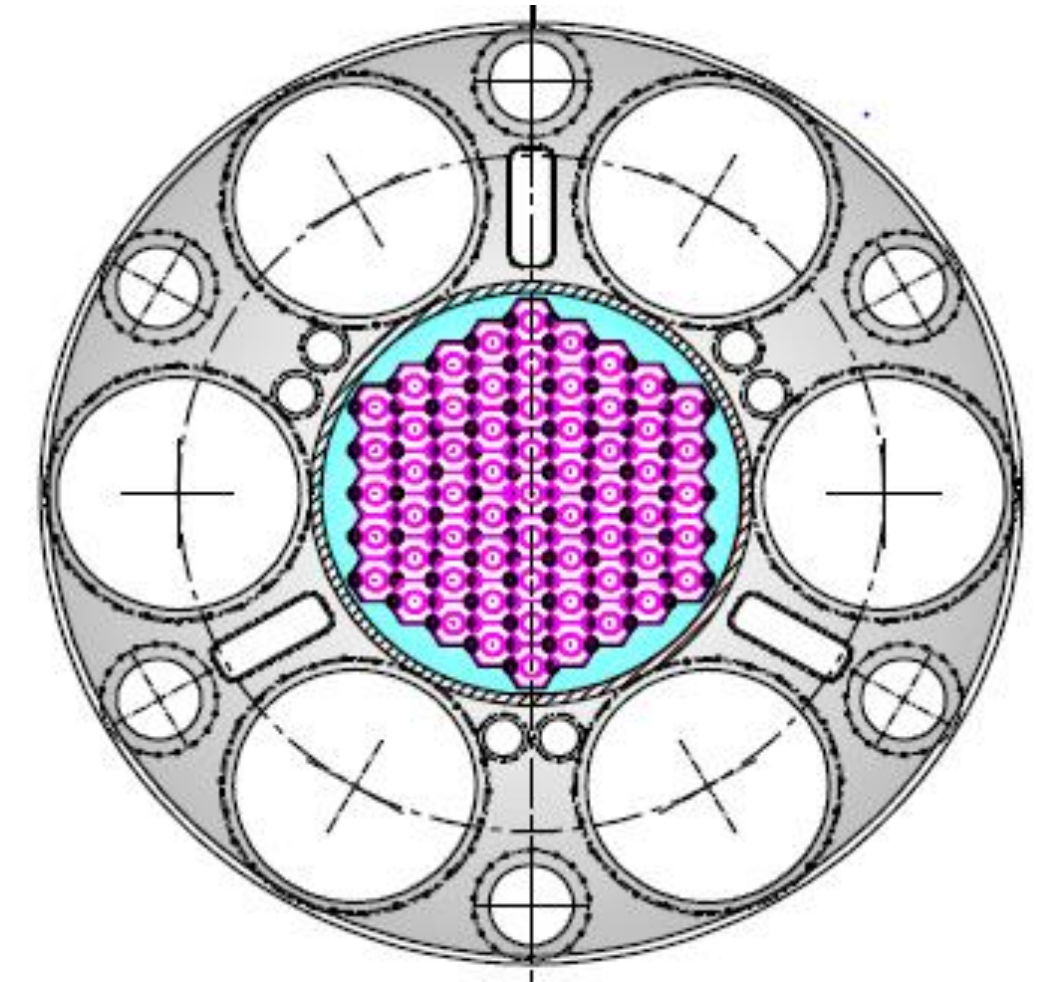
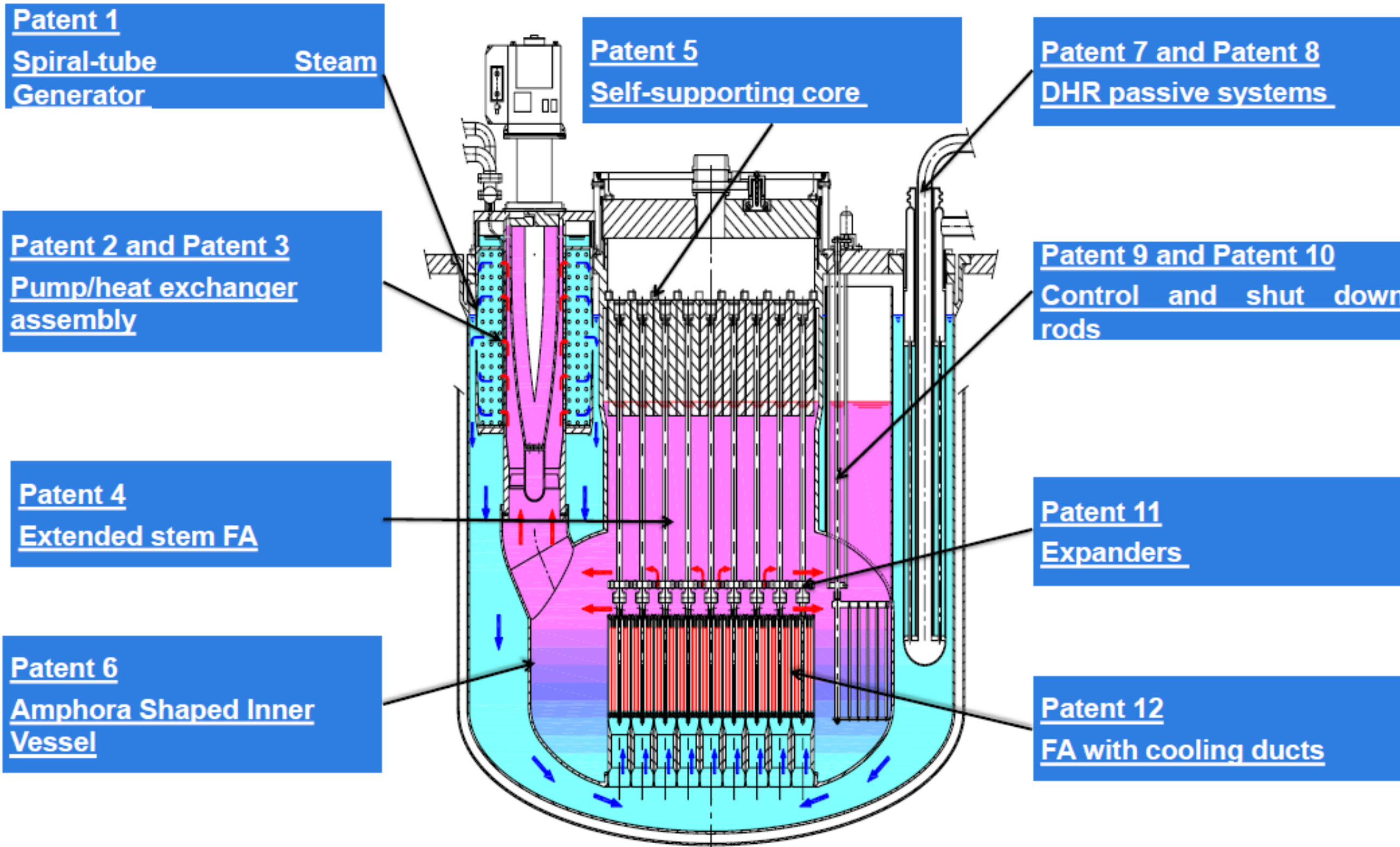
Typical (PWR) power plant





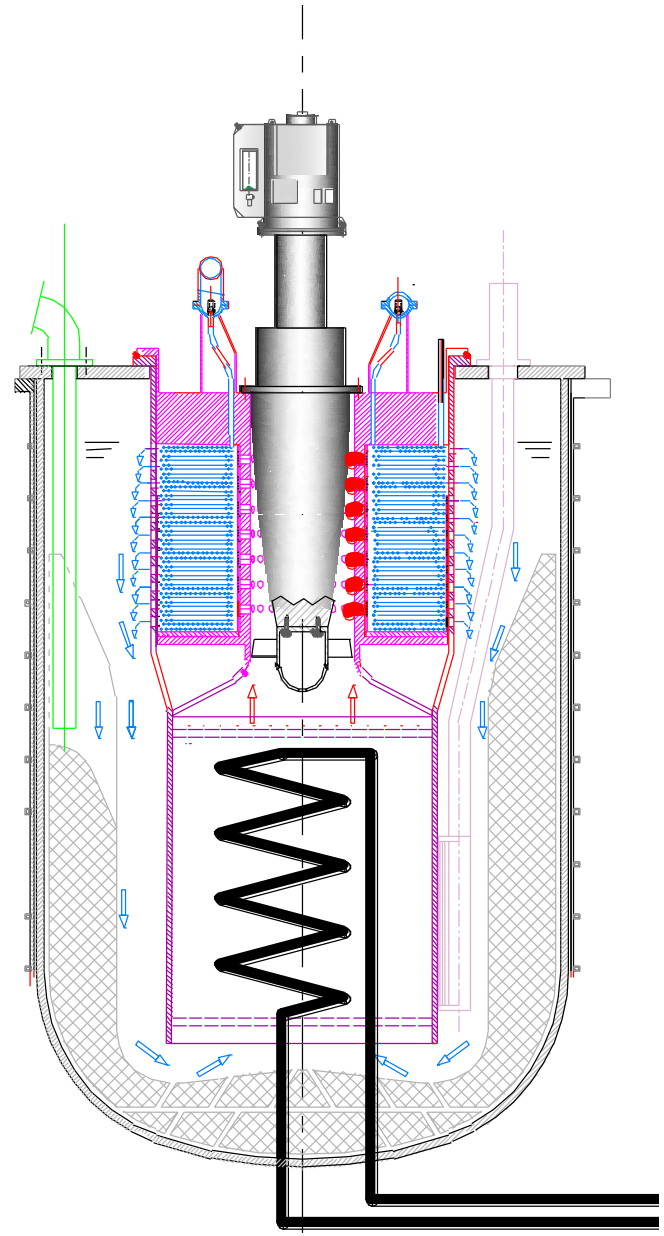
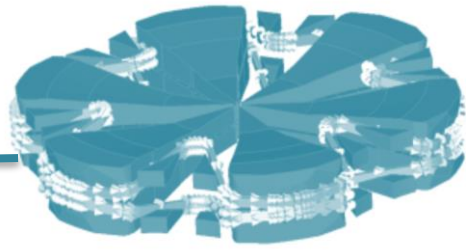
# newcleo's compact vessel

Lead-cooled LFR 300 MWe





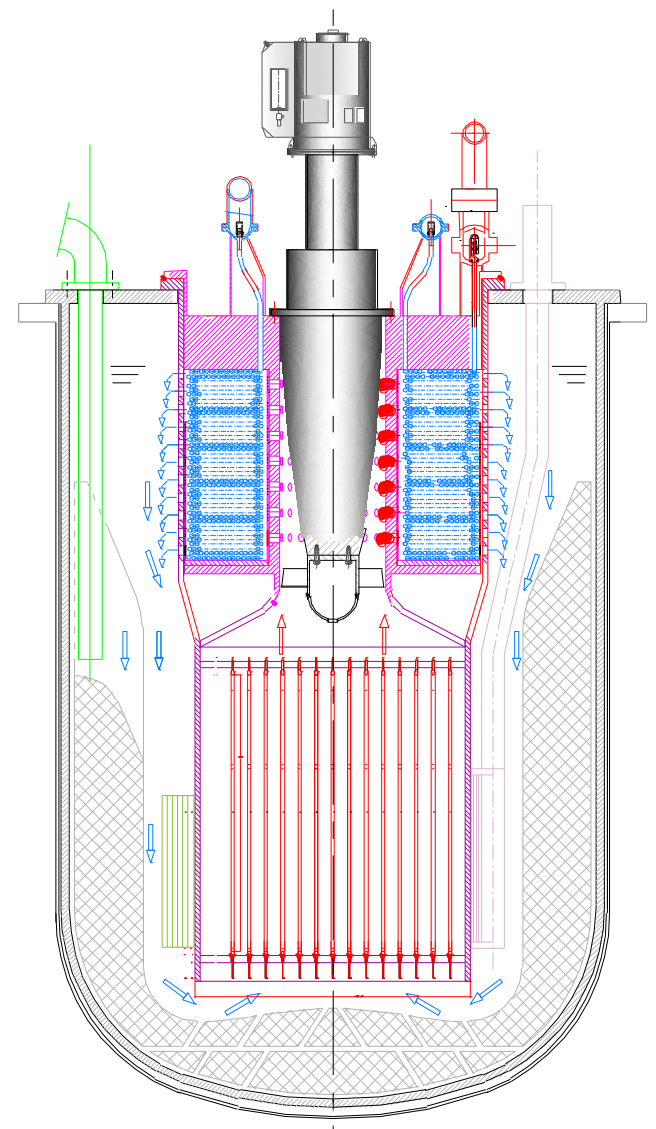
# newcleo's development goals



## Precursor

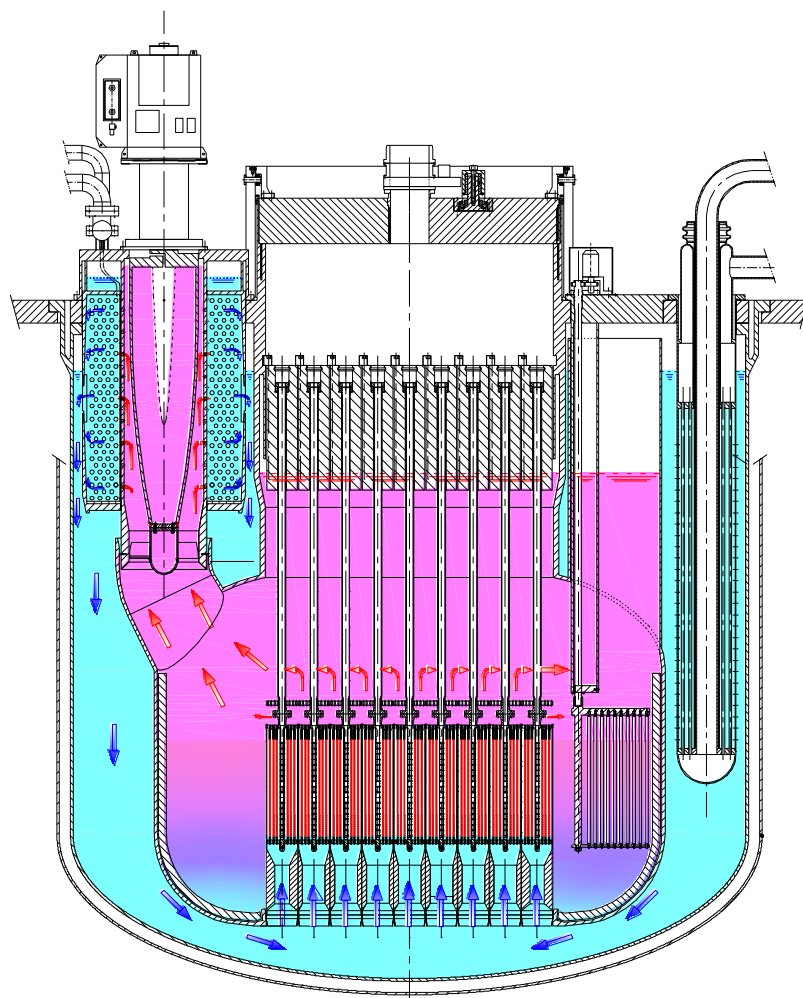
Electrically heated facility  
15MWth, 5MWe reproducing  
the LFR-TL-5 except for fuel

## Ideal for shipping



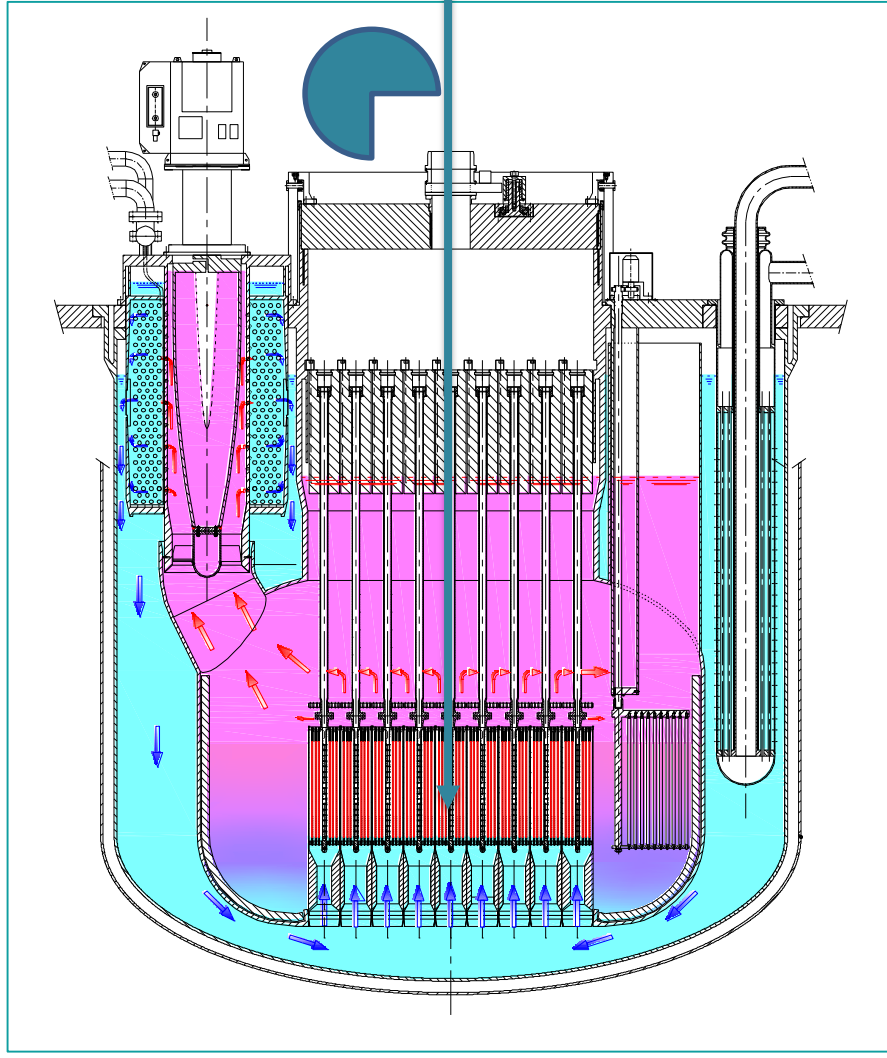
## Micro LFR

Power range: 5-40 MWe  
Fuel:  $UO_2$  or MOX



## Small LFR

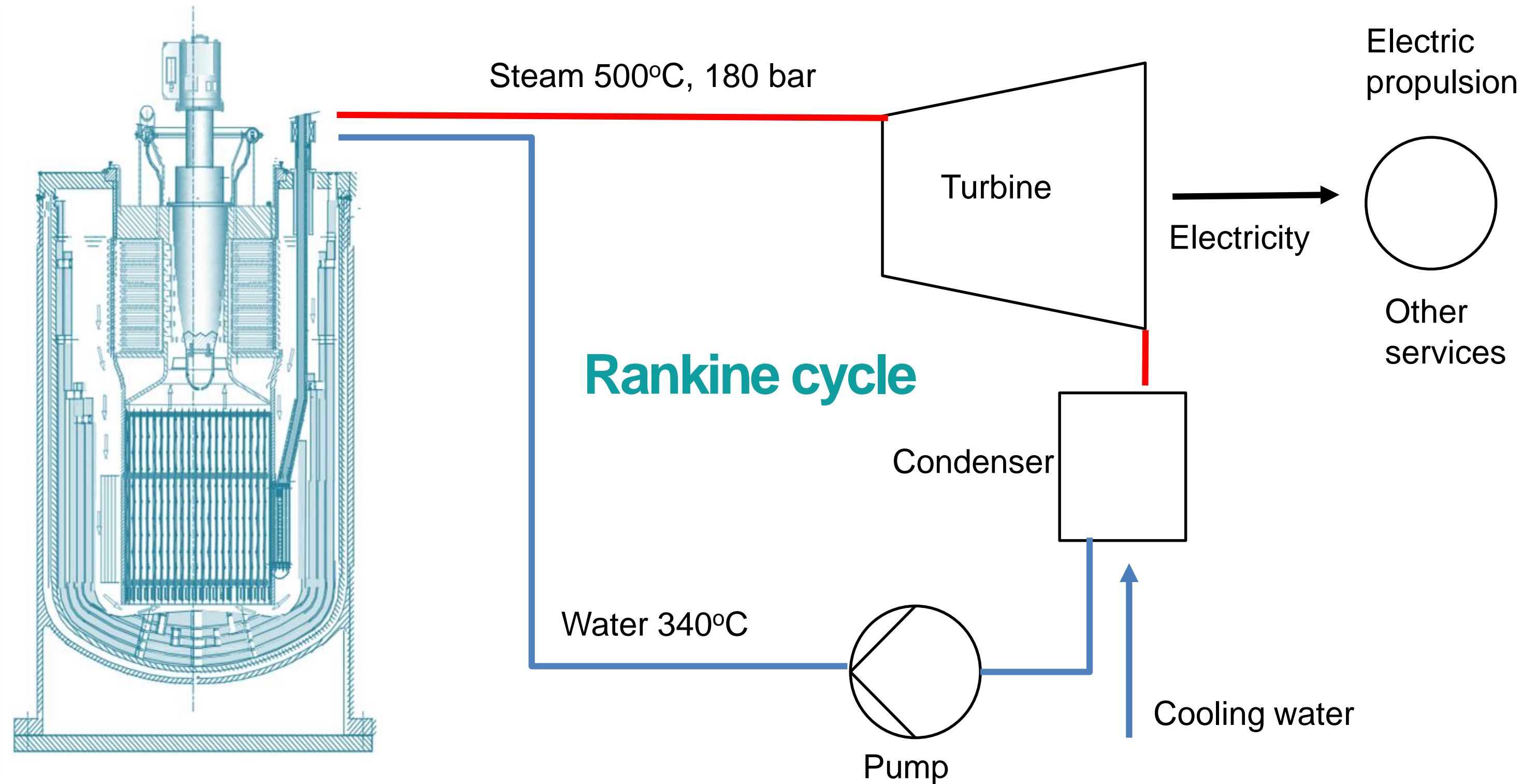
Power: 200 MWe  
Fuel: MOX (+MA)



## ADS

Power: TBD  
Fuel: MOX + MA, U free  
fuels, Thorium

# *newcleo's* solution for shipping: Mini-LFR (30MWe)

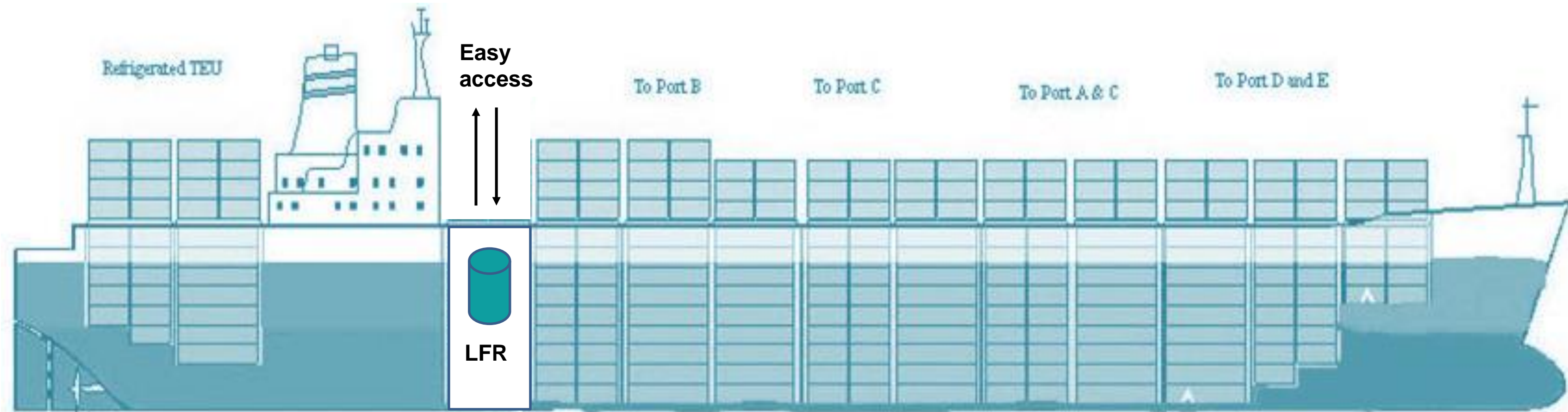


\$100 billion potential market

Deals with steam turbine producers, shipyards and ship owners are under discussion



# *newcleo's solution for shipping: Mini-LFR (30MWe)*



## *Safe*

- Passive safety
- Atmospheric pressure vessel
- Perfect radiation shield
- Frozen lead sarcophagus in case of sinking

## *Practical*

- Most compact Gen IV reactor
- Sealed battery concept with 10y+ lifetime
- Virtually zero maintenance
- Easy unit replacement

## *Economic*

- Cheapest Gen IV reactor
- Supplies power to the grid at port
- 50% higher cruise speed
- Close to commercialization (~7y)

# *Appendix*



# Co-founders and executive team members



**Stefano  
Buono**

## **Chief Executive Officer**

An Italian physicist, he worked for 10 years with physics Nobel laureate Carlo Rubbia at CERN and CRS4, in the field of Accelerator Driven Systems and nuclear waste transmutation. In 2002, he founded Advanced Accelerator Applications, listed on NASDAQ from 2015 until its acquisition by Novartis for \$3.9 bn.



**Luciano  
Cinotti**

## **Chief Scientific Officer**

An Italian nuclear engineer, he worked at Ansaldo for 30 years and is a leading expert in Fast Reactor technologies. A Euratom representative and the Chairman of the LFR Steering Committee of the Generation IV International Forum from its inception until 2010, he is the author of most of the world's LFR-related patents.



**Elisabeth  
Rizzotti**

## **Chief Operating Officer / MD Italy**

A French physicist, after a brief spell at CERN, she left physics to embrace the world of finance, working first for leading international consulting companies and then for several Italian commercial banks where for 30 years she developed her strong managerial expertise.



# Executive team members



**Laura  
Vergani**

## **Chief Communications Officer**

Italian/British communications professional with international experience, she has worked in the UK for the last twenty years in large companies both private and listed. Laura has operated across sectors, including highly complex and regulated environments (banking, healthcare). She holds an MA in English and Russian literatures.



**Bruce  
Macfarlane**

## **Chief Financial Officer**

A British chartered accountant who spent 20 years of his international career at BP, spread across Europe, Asia, and the Americas, culminating in a global CFO role overseeing USD 6 billion of expenditure. With the energy sector as his backbone, he spent a further 10 years working with private equity, family offices and other funds on financial investments into the billions.

***Thankyou***