

# Current Status of Fukushima Daiichi and Activities of NDF

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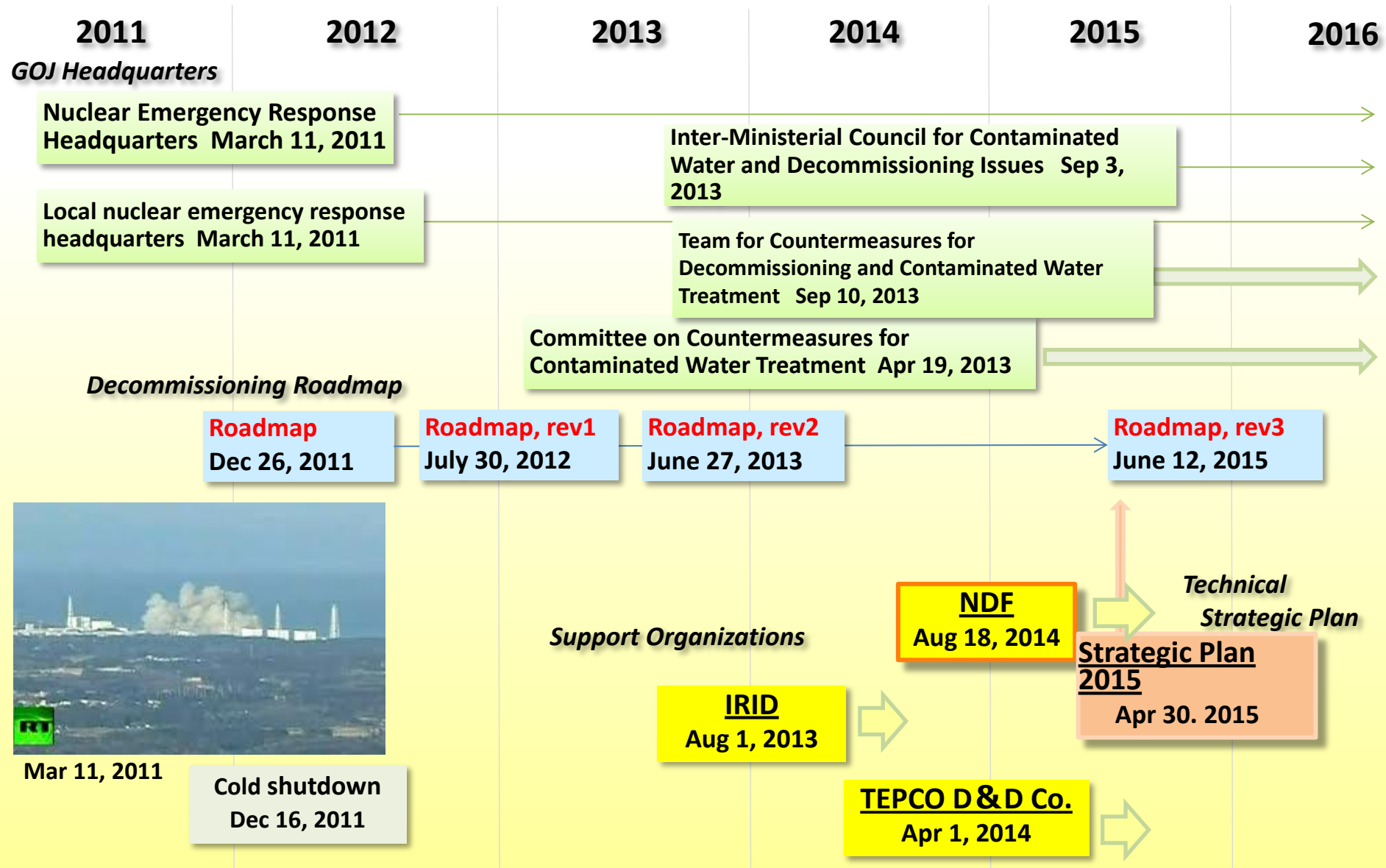
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# 1. Current Status of Fukushima Daiichi

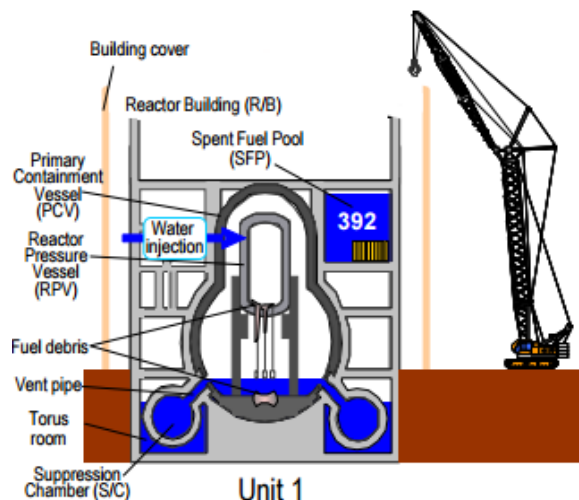
## 2. Activities of NDF

# Strengthened organizational and institutional settings



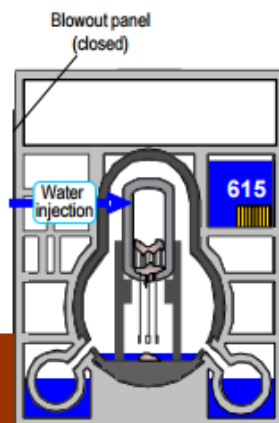
# Update of Units 1-4

## Unit1



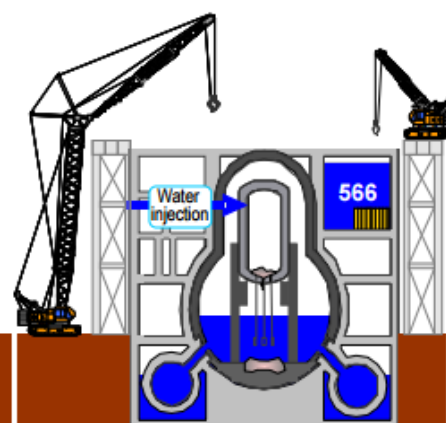
Unit 1

## Unit2



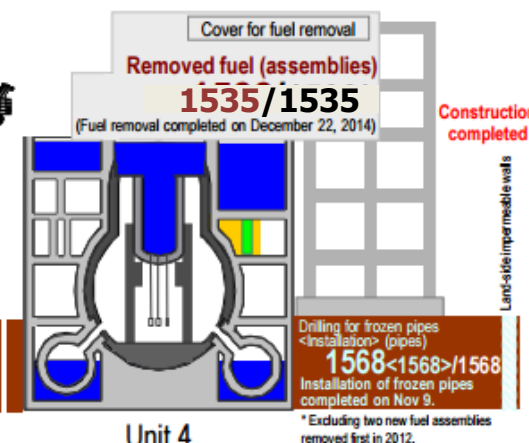
Unit 2

## Unit3



Unit 3

## Unit4



Unit 4



Removal of last one roof panel



Policy decision for the overall disassembly of storage shed



During preparation of retrieval/decontamination



Completion of spent fuel

Source :Meeting material from Team for Countermeasures for Decommissioning and Contaminated Water Treatment

# Three principles behind contaminated water countermeasures



## 1. **Eliminate** contamination sources

- ① Multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc.
- ② Remove contaminated water in the trench

## 2. **Isolate** water from contamination

- ③ Pump up groundwater for bypassing
- ④ Pump up groundwater near buildings
- ⑤ Land-side impermeable walls
- ⑥ Waterproof pavement

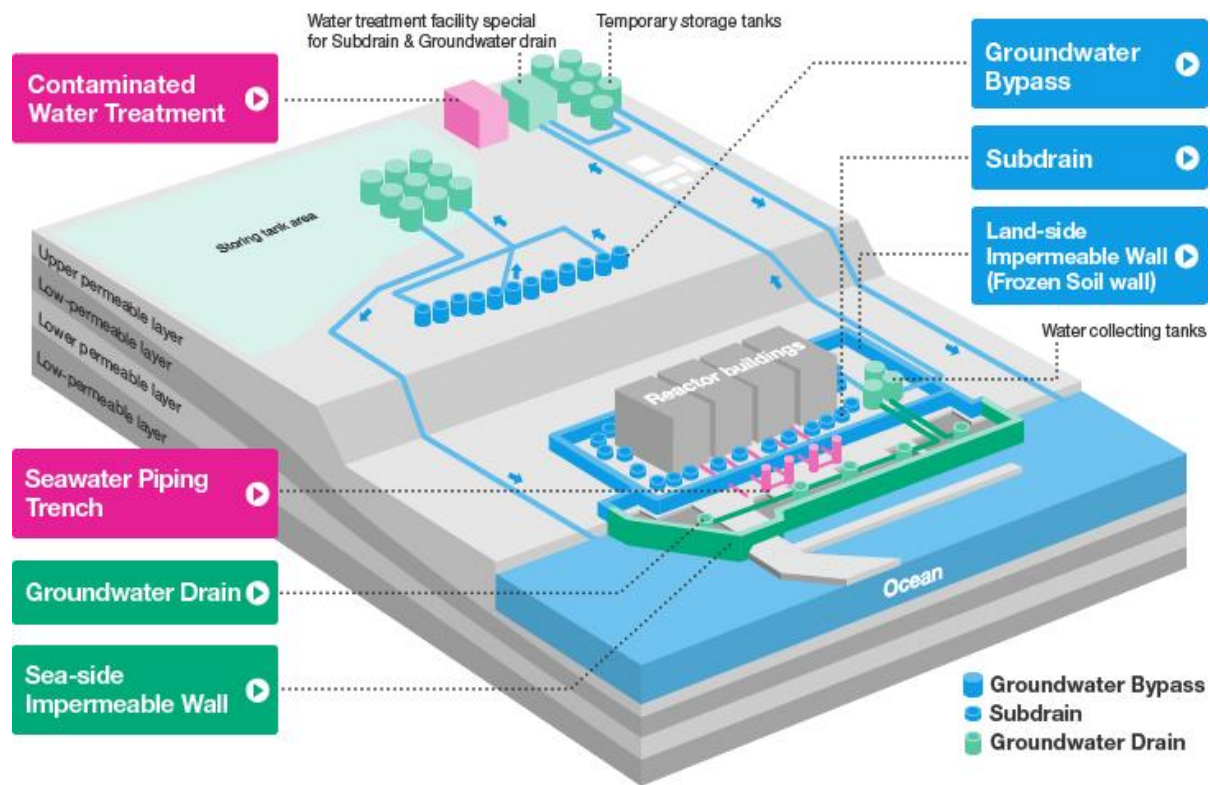
## 3. **Prevent leakage** of contaminated water

- ⑦ Soil improvement by sodium silicate
- ⑧ Sea-side impermeable walls
- ⑨ Increase tanks (welded-joint tanks)



# Addressing the contaminated water challenges

Operation to complete Frozen Soil Wall is ongoing.



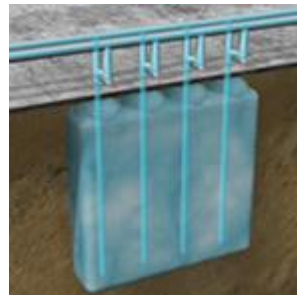
2014/5  
Discharge started

2015/9  
Pumping-up started

2015/3  
Operation started

2015/7  
Water  
removal  
completed

2016/2  
Closing  
completed



# Improvement of site condition

Unit-4 Aftermath (2011)



Rubbles Aftermath (2011)



2015

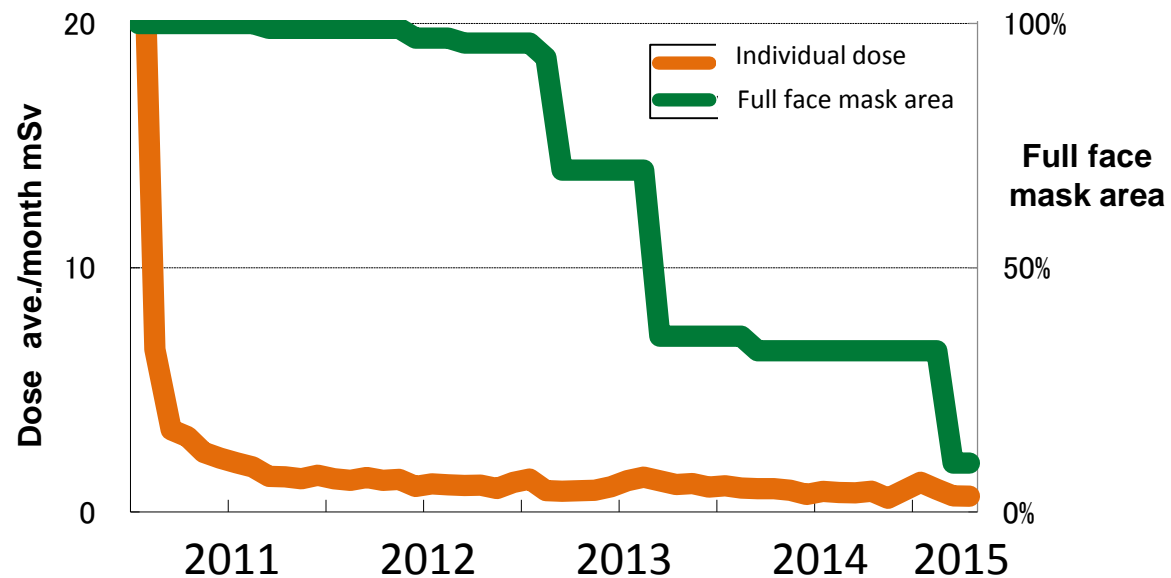


2015



G-Zone

## Improvement of radiological safety

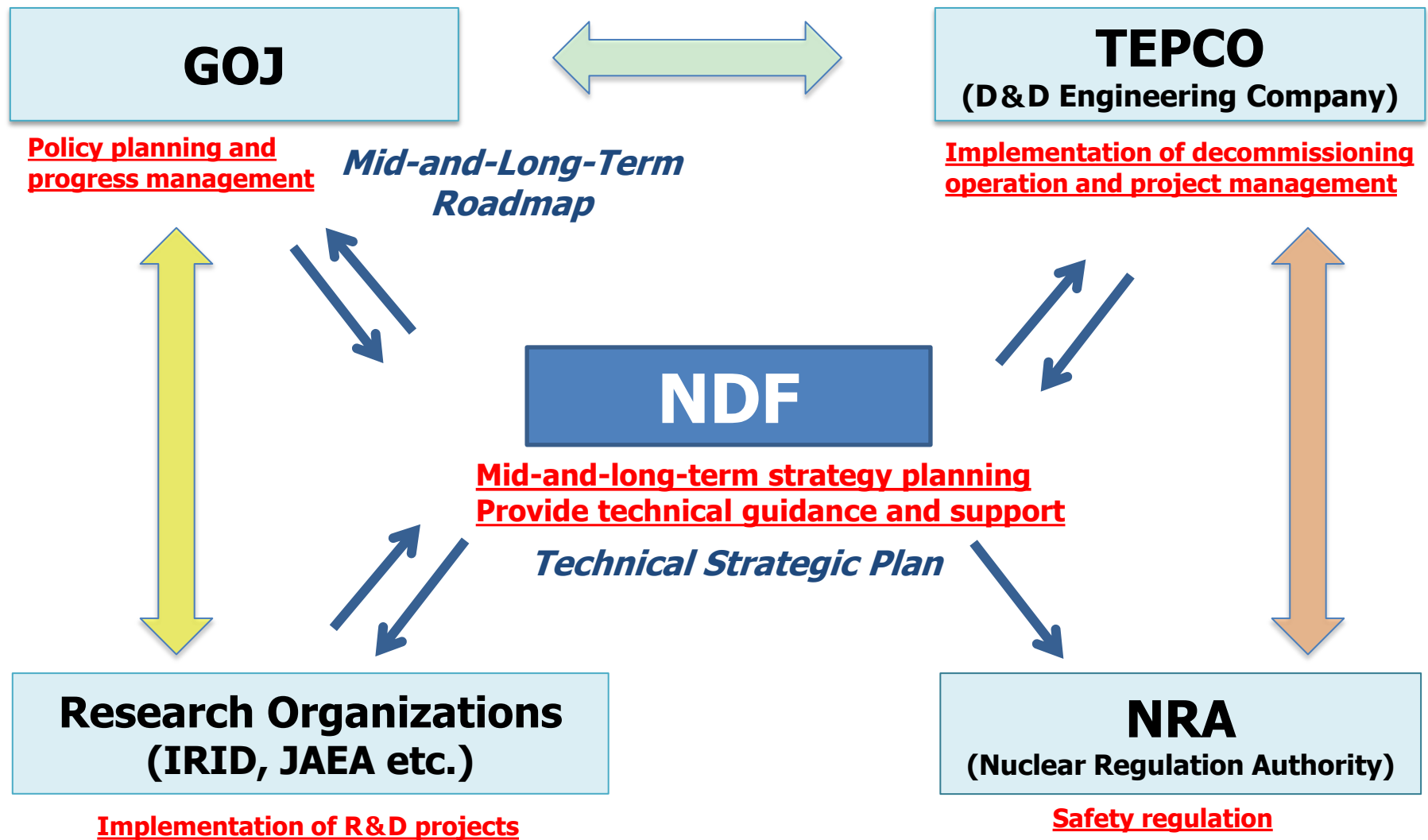


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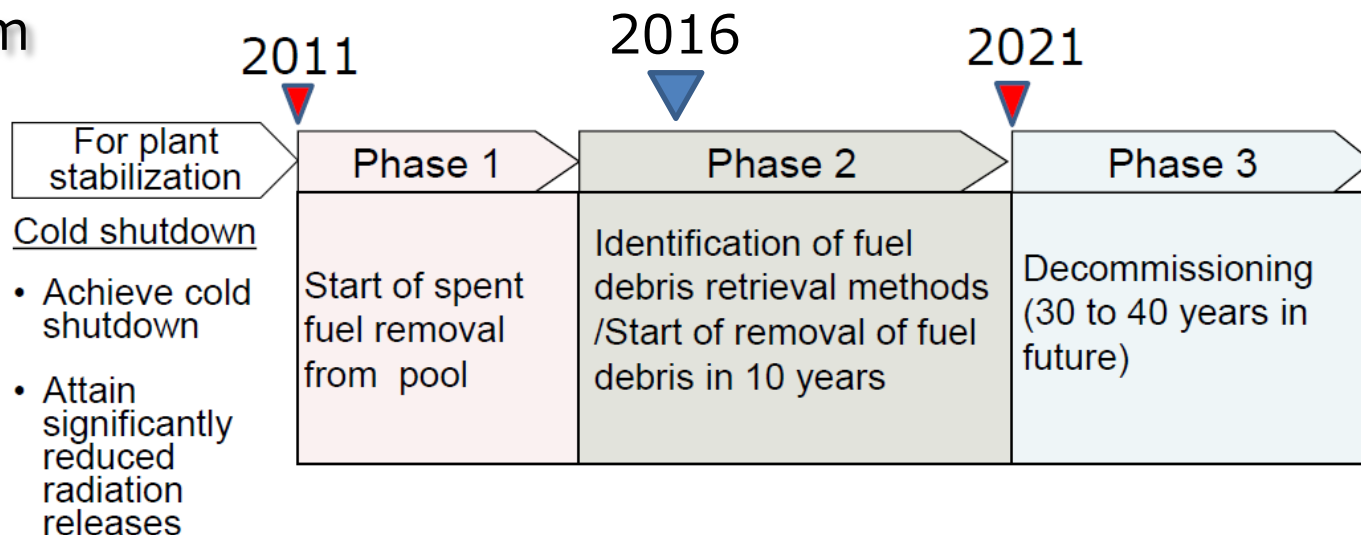


# Organizational relationship



# Mid-and-Long-Term Roadmap & Technical Strategic Plan

## Mid-and-Long-term Roadmap (GOJ)



## Technical Strategic Plan (NDF)

**Strategic Plan 2015:  
Issued on Apr. 30, 2015**

**Strategic Plan 2016:  
Scheduled for this summer**

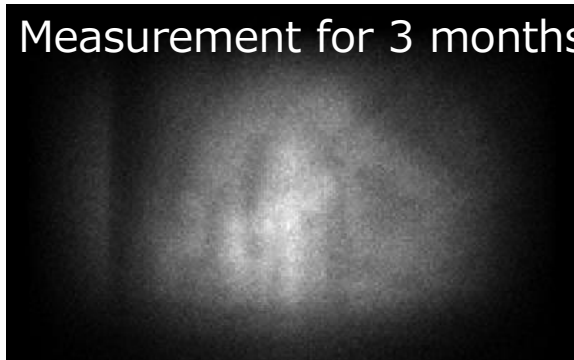
- ◆ Discussion through the close dialogue and exchange of information between the Government and TEPCO.
- ◆ Study mid-term technical strategy through the discussion with the experts from various technical fields while receiving the advice from Decommissioning Strategy Board, Expert Committee from multiple fields, International Special Advisors.
- ◆ "Risk reduction strategy" regarding mid- and long-term decommissioning
- ◆ In vessel inspection and study of the technical strategy for the fuel debris retrieval method.
- ◆ Develop an optimum technical strategy based on the Five Guiding Principles. " Safe, Proven, Efficient, Timely and Field-oriented"

# Internal inspection for reactor containment vessel

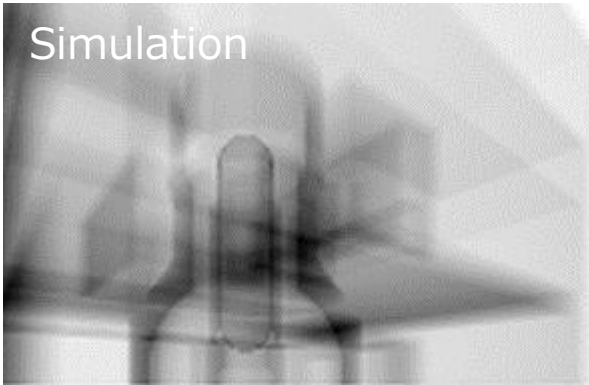
Internal inspection for reactor containment vessel using robots and other remote techniques are the keys to determine the fuel debris retrieval method.

## Muon-tomography adopted to Unit-1

Measurement for 3 months



Simulation



## Shape-changing crawler robot

PCV inside (unit-1)

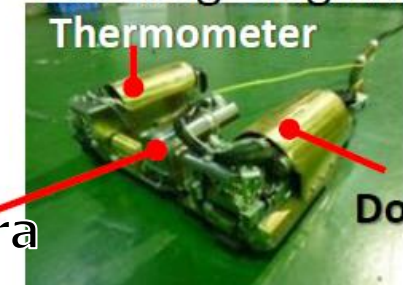


Traveling through piping



Transformation

Traveling on grating



Camera

Dosimeter

# About fuel debris

## What are "Fuel debris" ?

*"Solidified melted fuel distributed among fuel assemblies, control rods and some other reactor materials"*



Fuel debris of TMI-2



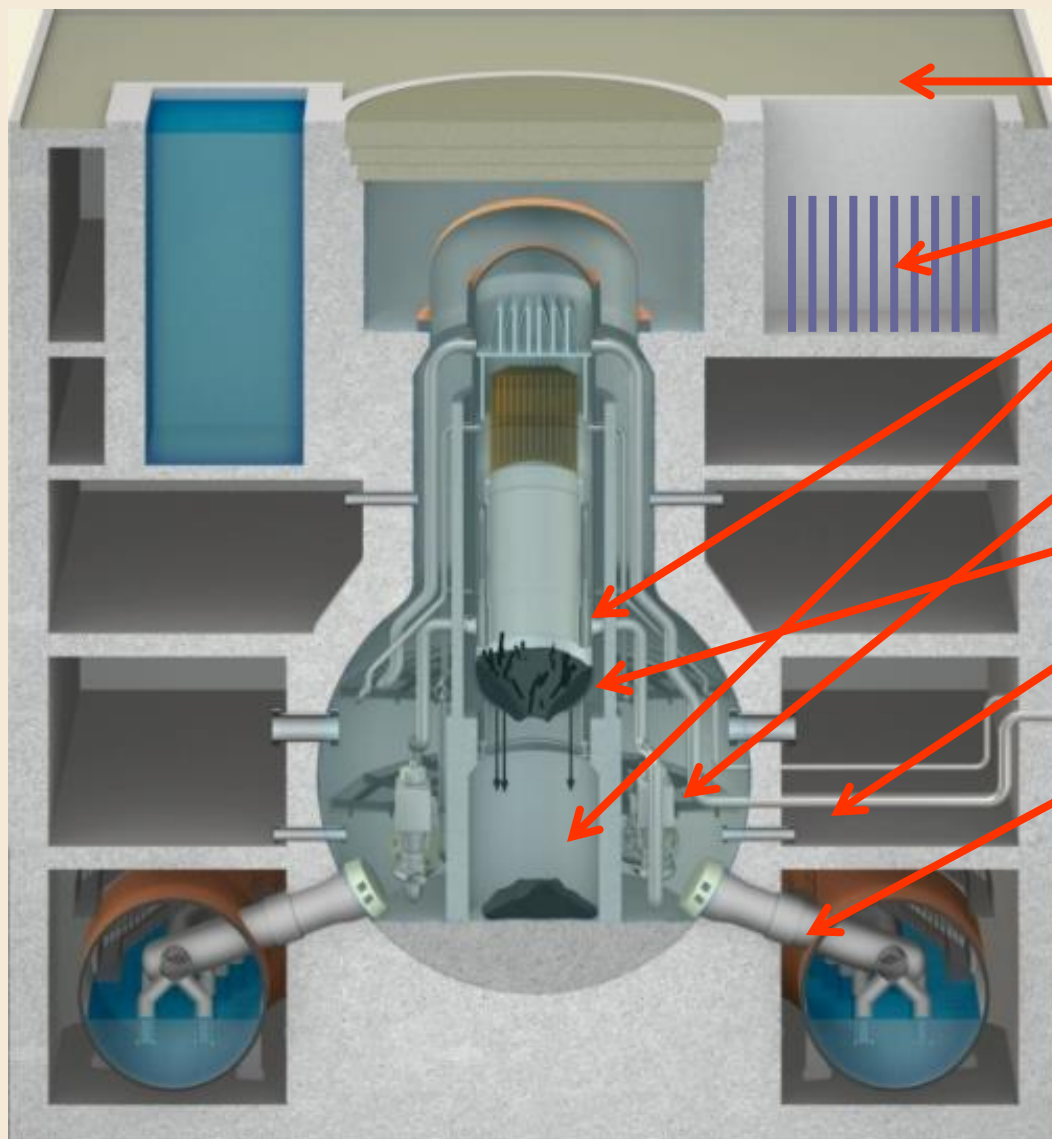
Fuel debris of Chernobyl



Fuel debris of Windscale

- Features
  - Mixed with other materials not contained in the cladding such as nuclear fuel materials.
- Risks to be considered with the plant status.
  - ◆ Criticality, decay heat, containment, radiation, hydrogen explosion, support structure
- Difficulties in risk management for the fuel debris
  - ◆ Uncertainty: Lack of information on in-vessel conditions
  - ◆ Instability: Fuel melted and facilities damaged by the accident
  - ◆ Lack of risk management: Difficulty in accessing due to severe radiological environment
- Institutional requirements and the rules

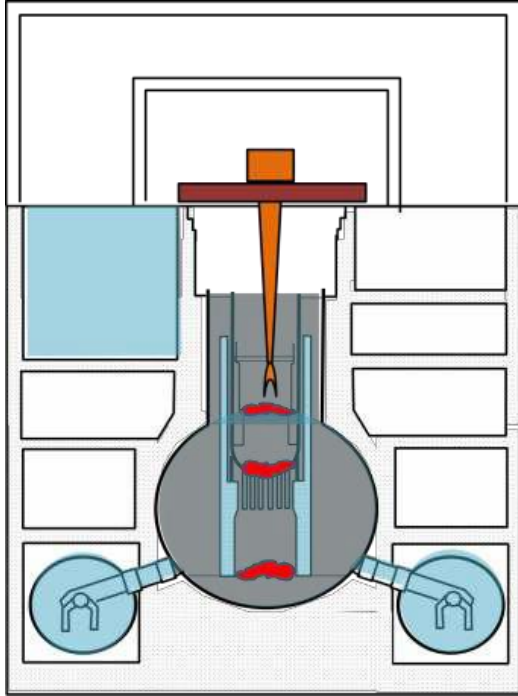
# Fuel debris retrieval



- Operation floor largely damaged. High dose rate
- Spent fuels stored in Unit1, 2 and 3
- Fuel debris dispersed in both RPV and PCV  
Properties unknown
- High radiation inside PCV  
Inside PCV gradually known.
- Cooldown by water injection required.
- Building highly contaminated with high radiation (battle with decontamination)
- Leakage from PCV.  
Generation of contaminated water.
- Leakage from the building.  
Penetration of groundwater.  
Needs of contaminated water leakage prevention

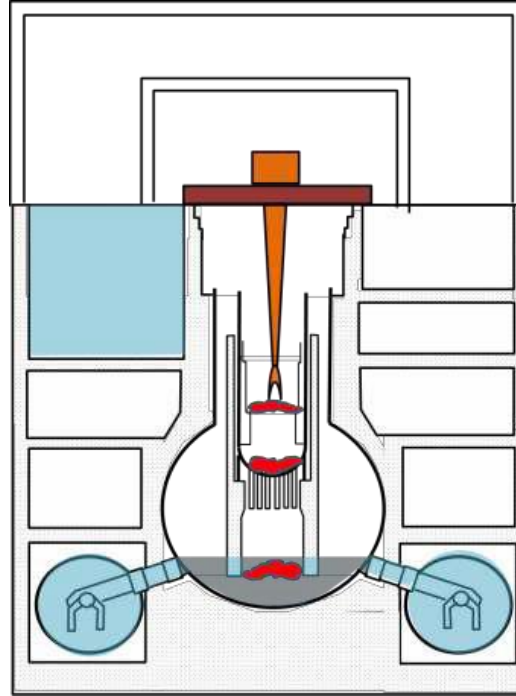


# Fuel debris retrieval method



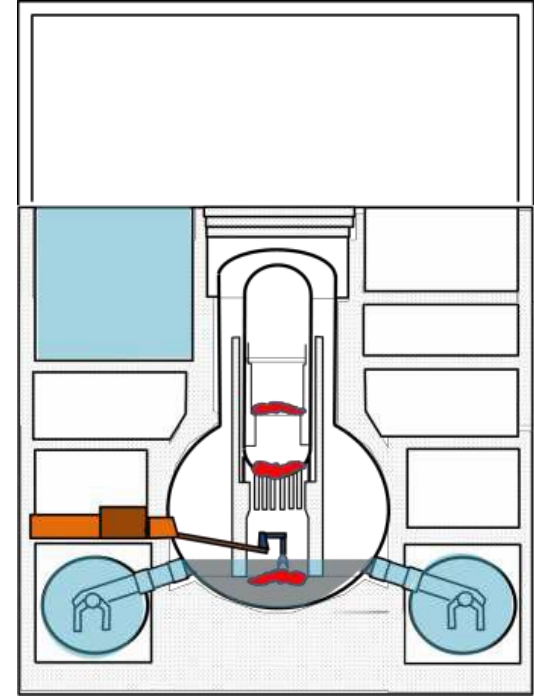
## Submersion - Top entry method

Assuming the in-core  
structures above the fuel  
debris are removed



## Partial submersion - Top entry method

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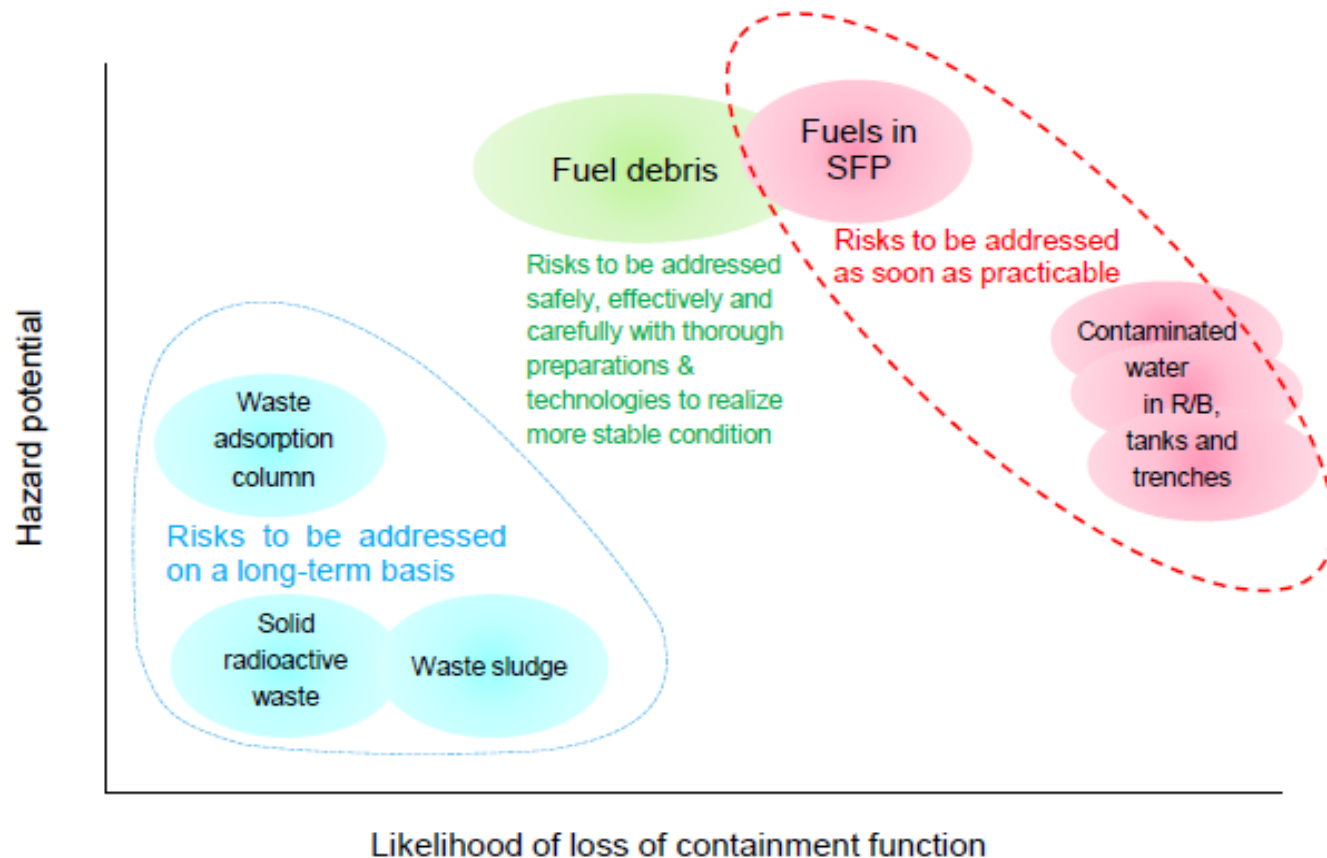
## Partial submersion - Side entry method

Assuming that the equipment and  
other objects outside RPV  
pedestal in PCV are removed

# Decommissioning as risk reduction

## Risk defined in the Technical Strategic Plan 2015 by NDF, Japan

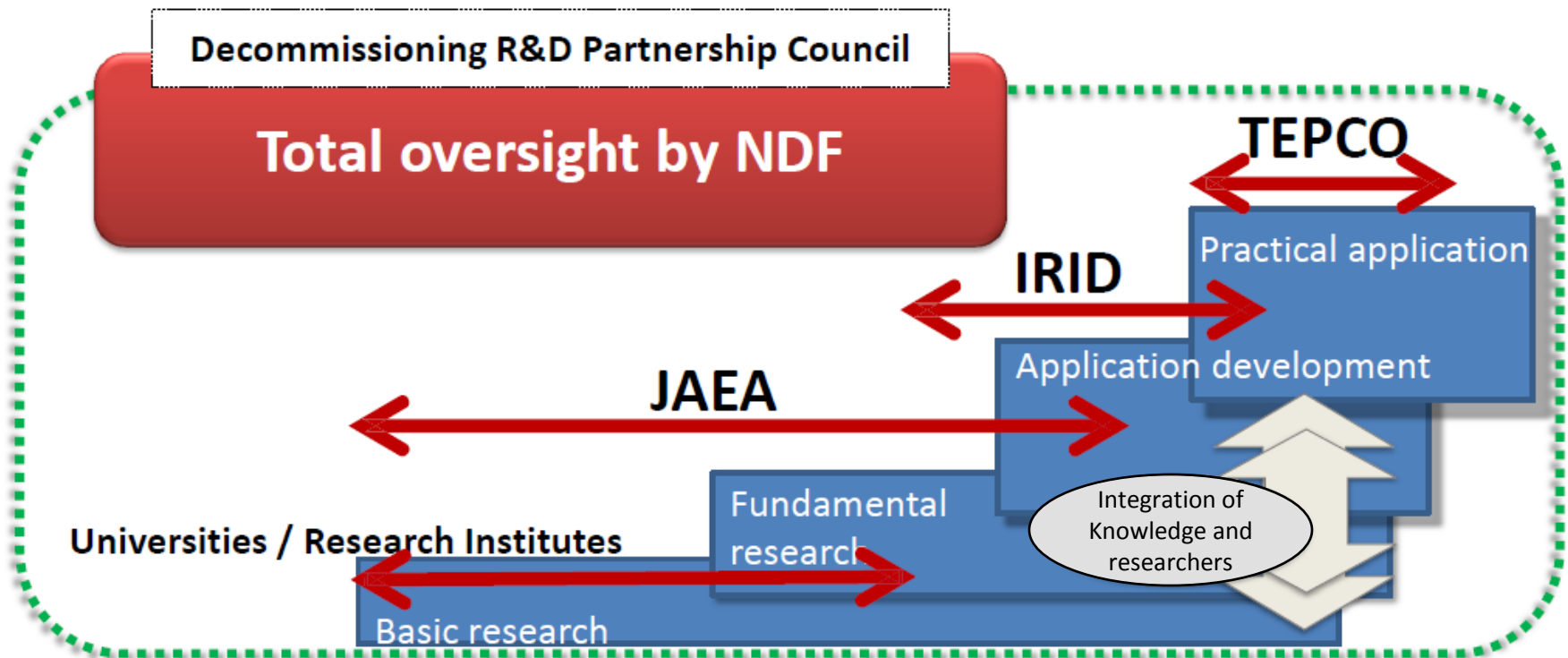
Figure 3-5 shows the levels of risks for major risk sources in the Fukushima Daiichi NPS based on the “hazard potential” and “likelihood of loss of containment function.”





Source: Technical Strategic Plan 2015, NDF

# Integration from basic research to practical application

- It is important to facilitate interaction among researchers and engineers involved in R&D initiatives.
- The Decommissioning R&D Partnership Council integrates management from fundamental research to practical application.



# R&D Facilities

	2015	2016	2017	2018
Naraha RTDC				
Okuma ARC				
CLADS				

Oct.

**Mock-up facility**

**Radioactive materials analysis & research facility**

April

March

**International joint research building**



**Mock-up test facility**

**RTDC:** Remote Technology Development Center

**ARC:** Analysis and Research Center

**CLADS:** Collaborative Laboratories for Advanced Decommissioning Science



**Analysis & R&D facility**



**International joint research center for decommissioning**

# International Cooperation

## International Community

### IAEA

- Peer review missions
- Safety report series
- "DAROD" project
- May Conference in Madrid

### OECD/NEA

- Joint research program
  - BSAF-2
  - SAREF
- EGWMF

### Bilateral framework

- Dialogue
  - Cooperation
  - Partnership
- etc.

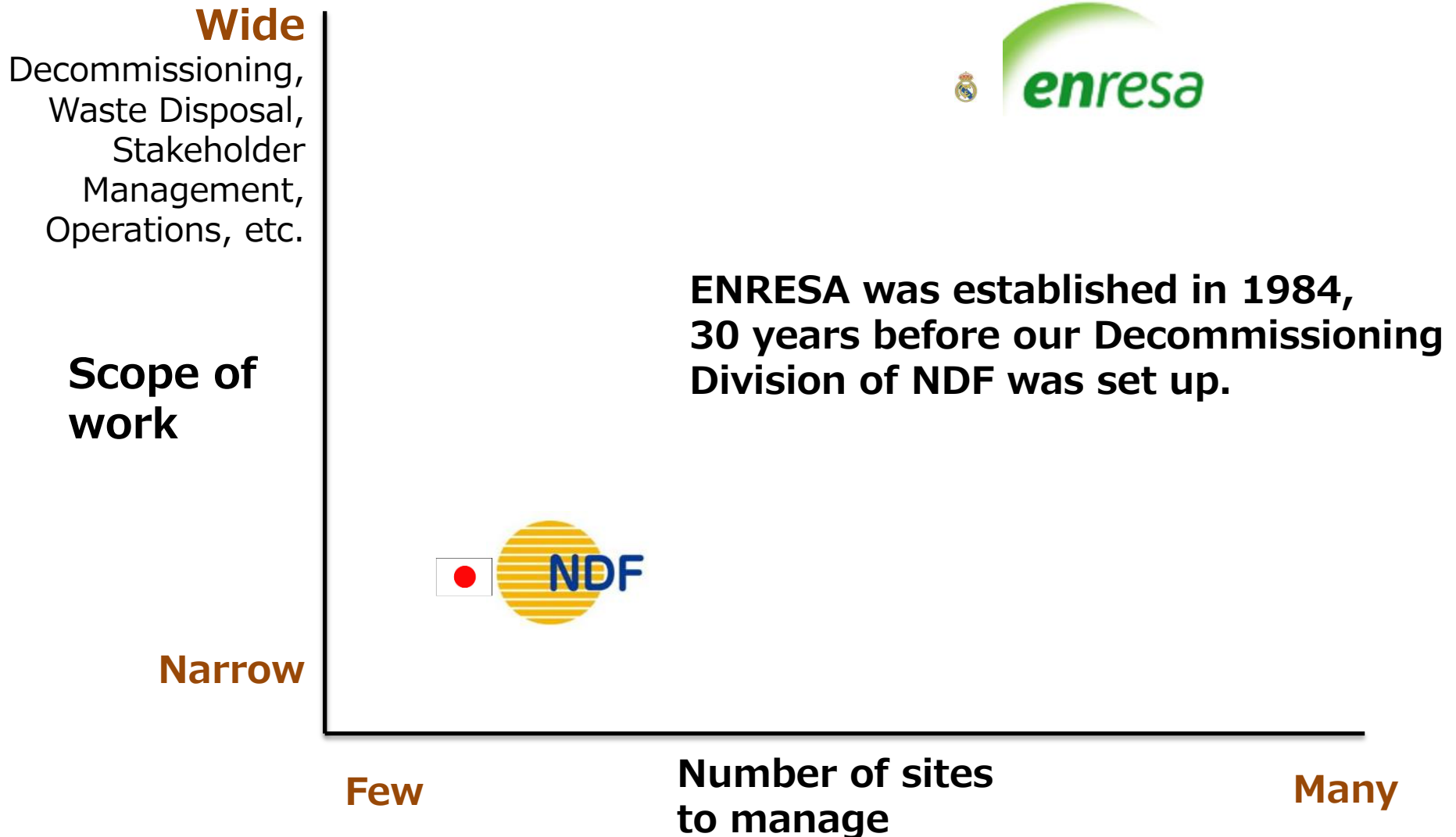
### International Forum on the Decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi NPS



*For the people and reconstruction of Fukushima area,  
and for the decommissioning and safety enhancement  
of nuclear facilities all over the world*



# Decommissioning in Spain, and ENRESA



# Thank you for your attention!

