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Strategic Plan for 2018–2020

The multi-year strategic plan guides the action of the departments for a period of 3 years. It defines a common project and constitutes a reference document for ASN's management actions. This document, which is used by the staff, presents five broad lines of collective action.

1 Reinforce the implementation of a graded and efficient approach to our oversight

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Define regulatory frameworks that enhance assuming of responsibilities; improve the assessment of the impact of our regulatory decisions and take better account of the lessons learned from their application

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Apply the new systems applicable to small-scale nuclear activities and to Basic Nuclear Installation (BNI) modifications and the conclusions of the review of the small-scale nuclear activities oversight system

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Examine more systematically the appropriateness of resorting to individual prescriptions and means of enforcement or sanctions, and make the associated procedures more practical

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Alleviate or tighten the oversight of nuclear activities according to the manner in which the persons or entities in charge of them exercise their responsibilities with regard to protection of people and the environment

2 Better manage the technical examinations process

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Increase the technical involvement of ASN in the analysis of the files submitted to it, starting by structuring the examinations and checking the completeness and quality of the technical justifications provided by the licensees and, if necessary, reminding them of their responsibility

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Better supervise and monitor the technical support appraisals to take robust decisions within known time frames

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Adapt the methods of informing and ensuring the participation of the public and stakeholders to ensure more enlightened discussions and decisions on the subjects representing the highest risks

3 Reinforce the effectiveness of our action on the ground

- 3 | 1 Increase the inspectors' capacity to detect and qualify deviations and prioritise them with respect to the oversight implications
- 3 | 2 Develop new, better-targeted and more modular inspection practices
- 3 | 3 Improve the link between inspection and our other oversight activities in order to better assess the situations
- 3 | 4 Put in place an appropriate oversight framework to counter the risk of concealment and falsification
- 3 | 5 Make ASN's contribution to emergency and post-accident situations more robust
- 3 | 6 Make all the aspects of our action on the ground better known

4 Consolidate our functioning

- 4 | 1 Enhance human resource and personnel career management
- 4 | 2 Adapt the training and qualification system consistently with the new strategic objectives
- 4 | 3 Increase our independence of management
- 4 | 4 Start the digital transformation of our oversight and our relations with the stakeholders
- 4 | 5 Enhance the coordination of the ASN regional divisions by the departments in their areas of competence and by the Director-General's Office

5 Consolidate the French and European approach through international action

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Promote the establishing of ambitious international baseline requirements and make the French and European doctrine and regulations known to our counterparts

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Stimulate international work on what ASN considers to be the priority technical issues

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Capitalise on the best international practices to improve nuclear safety and radiation protection in France