

Rome energy illustrated may 28

(Consulting engineers from 26 European countries meeting in Rome have called for more reliance on nuclear power and renewable energy sources and less on combustible fuels to meet new challenges posed by climate change. David Willey reports from Rome.)

Consulting engineers are the designers of future power stations both nuclear and conventional as well as of alternative sources of energy. In the 26 EU countries they employ about a million people altogether and they generate an annual turnover of 100 billion euro. Their president **Panos Panagopoulos** from Greece stressed at their annual conference, held this year in Rome, that relying on combustion as a source of energy demands cannot continue as at present. Radical changes are necessary in planning for the future.

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The lead time in planning new generation nuclear power stations is measured in decades. Italy recently decided to reverse its previous boycott on nuclear power. But sites selected by the government in Rome have been rejected at the local level. Not in my backyard say most Italians.

Raffaele Gorjux is an Italian architect and deputy president of the association here.

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Italians were so mesmerised by the Chernobyl nuclear disaster in Ukraine that they fell seriously behind the rest of Europe in planning nuclear power for the new century.

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