

New NISA Working Group to Clarify Ways to Support Nuclear Safety in Countries Newly Introducing Nuclear Power

The Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) of Japan has begun full-fledged efforts looking into ways it can cooperate in the field of nuclear safety with emerging countries, primarily in Asia, planning to introduce and expand their use of nuclear power. To that end, it recently set up the "International Nuclear Power Safety Working Group" under its Subcommittee on Fundamental Policies for Nuclear Safety Infrastructure, part of the Nuclear and Industrial Safety Committee. The NISA itself falls under the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI).

The working group is to draw up the basic policies and responses for a broad range of international cooperation efforts by September of this year, responding to the rapidly changing situation vis-à-vis nuclear power worldwide. NISA will then follow those guidelines when carrying out cooperation more actively with other countries in the field of nuclear safety.

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