



Summer
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What began on Tuesday, December 8, 1953, with U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower's famous 'Atoms-for-Peace' speech to the United Nations has continued with the successful completion of the World Nuclear University 2008 Summer Institute in Ottawa, Canada. From 5 July to 15 August, 99 young professionals from 36 countries met to discuss the role that both they and the wider nuclear industry can play in trying to address global issues and challenges such as growing energy demand and climate change.

Working predominately from the University of Ottawa, the Institute Fellows received insight from leaders in the nuclear and other industries including US Nuclear Regulatory Commission Chairman Dr. Dale Klein and Greenpeace co-founder Dr. Patrick Moore. The Fellows also discussed the issues amongst themselves in focused working groups, presenting their views and experiences and learning from those of others. The program also included technical tours of nuclear facilities in Ontario such as the OPG¹ Darlington Nuclear Generation Station and the AECL² Chalk River Laboratory, allowing the Fellows to observe first-hand Canada's long-standing role in the peaceful use of nuclear technology.

Expressing a commitment to work together to continue sustainable development of nuclear technology, the Fellows have banded together to create a resolution outlining the key facts and challenges facing the industry, as well as a pledge to continue the spirit of international co-operation developed over the last six weeks.

ABOUT THE WORLD NUCLEAR UNIVERSITY

The World Nuclear University, inaugurated in 2003 in London, England, is a non-profit global partnership committed to the improvement of education and leadership in the peaceful applications of nuclear science and technology. Its six-week Summer Institute aims to offer outstanding young nuclear professionals at the start of their careers a chance to interact with top international experts and form professional networks with each other.

¹ Ontario Power Generation

² Atomic Energy of Canada Limited