

ANNUAL EVENT N°2

Draft agenda

Date: 8-10 September 2026

Venue: Dublin, Ireland

There is no registration fee for this event which is open to every EURAD-2 participants and registered end-users and stakeholders.

Participants should arrange their travel and accommodations bookings. The related costs can be included in the next EURAD-2 reporting period (not applicable for end-users or stakeholders).

This event is primarily an in-person event. In case of reaching the maximum capacity of attendance, priority will be given to Consortium members. It is a 1-star event in terms of hybridisation: online participants can only listen to the session. They will not be able to interact in any manner and will not hear audience questions.



The EURAD-2 General Assembly will take place on Monday 7 September afternoon (attendance restricted to GA representatives, WP Leaders, PMO and Bureau members, Civil Society Observer, Chief Scientific Officers, Colleges Chairs and EC representative).

Tuesday 8 September 2026

Introduction		
08.30-09.00	Welcome and opening remarks	Seifallah Ben-Hadj-Hassine (EC) Louise Théodon (Andra)
Plenary Session		
09.00-10.00	Perspectives from local stakeholders	David Fenton (Environmental Protection Agency) Felicia Dragolici (IAEA) Gianfranco Brunetti (EC DG ENER) - tbc
10.00-11.00	Lessons learned and Insights from Strategic Studies (ASTRA, FORSAFF, CLIMATE, OPTI, DITOCO and DITUSC)	WP Leaders / Task leaders
11.00-11.30	Coffee break	
11.30-12.00	Reflections from the External Advisory Board	External Advisory Board members
12.00-12.40	Spotlight on cutting-edge science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SAREC WP - Specific anion effects on the swelling pressure of compacted MX80 bentonite: experiments and modelling - Development of radiochemical methods for the determination of difficult to measure radionuclides 	Zoe Emory (KTH) Zhangrong Liu (CNRS/NAVIER) TBD
12.40-14.00	Lunch break	
14.00-14.40	Spotlight on cutting-edge science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interplay of physicochemical and microbial processes under repository-relevant conditions: uncovering their impact on the corrosion of candidate materials for metal canisters - Conditioning of surrogate ion exchange resins and Fenton residues in geopolymers - Guidance on the long-term performance assessment of MKPC Waste Forms: Study of Aluminium Corrosion and Its Implications for Hydrogen Generation in LILW Repositories 	Lidia Generelo Casajus (UGR) Fabio Fattori (POLIMI) Carla Garcia (CSIC)
14.40-15.40	EURAD-2 through its governance bodies: Next-generation perspectives	Young Generation speakers representing each College and Civil society.
15.40-16.10	Coffee break	
16.10-17.00	From ideation to action: year-one outcomes and next steps	Rapporteurs

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Parallel breakout sessions		
09.00-10.00	Climate change on nuclear waste facilities	Didier Paillard (LSCE) Álvaro Sáinz García (Amphos 21) <i>Berta Picamal (Nucleareurope)</i> - <i>tbc</i>
10.00-12.30	Climate change impacts on society: How may it influence RWM policy and governance? - Session 1	
	Climate change impacts on existing facilities - Session 2	
	Climate change impacts on operation: What technologies, monitoring and modelling innovations are needed? - Session 3	Frank Lemy (ONDRAF/NIRAS)
	Climate change impacts on post-closure safety: What are the potential long-term implications over centuries to millennia? - Session 4	Johan Liakka (SKB)
12.30-14.00	Lunch break	
Parallel topical sessions – Technical results / projects		
14.00-15.30	CLIMATE, SUDOKU and OPTI: Optimising Radioactive Waste Disposal Facilities under a Changing Climate - Topical session 1	
	InCoManD and ANCHORS: Optimisation of engineered barrier systems and waste containers of a GDF – Topical session 2	
	SAREC and CSFD: Deep Geological Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel: Radionuclide Release and Criticality Safety Considerations - Topical session 3	
	ASTRA and FORSAFF – Topical session 4	
15.30-16.00	Coffee break	
16.00-17.30	ICARUS, STREAM and L'OPERA: Predisposal – Topical session 5	
	RAMPEC and DITUSC: Sorption modelling: status and challenges – Topical session 6	
	DITOCO2030 and HERMES: Repository Digital Twin concepts and model developments - Topical session 7	
TBD	Social dinner	

Thursday 10 September 2026

Plenary Session		
09.00-12.00	Closing the Fuel Cycle and Enabling Circular Economy (provisional title) Side event EESC – EURAD-2	Co-organised by the European Economic and Social Committee and EURAD-2
12.00-13.30	Lunch break	
13.30-14.15	Spotlight on cutting-edge science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Galvanic corrosion of magnesium in geopolymers - CSFD WP - HERMES WP - SUDOKU WP 	Marwa Rima (CEA) TBD TBD TBD
14.15-15.15	Knowledge Management and Young Generation network	
15.15-15.45	Coffee break	
15.45-16.20	Concluding session of the breakouts – including Q&A	Rapporteurs
16.20-17.00	Concluding session of the topical sessions – including Q&A	Rapporteurs
17.00-17.30	Closing remarks	Chief Scientific Officers Seifallah Ben-Hadj-Hassine (European Commission)