**The Constructor’s Day was celebrated at El-Dabaa NPP construction site in Egypt**

On August 19, celebration of the Constructor’s Day took place at the El-Dabaa NPP construction site in the Arab Republic of Egypt (its general designer and general contractor is Engineering Division of Rosatom State Corporation).

It was an open-air event and the celebration program included a scientific festival “From Pyramids to the NPP”, a festival of Russian and Egyptian cuisine, a holiday concert and a ceremony of awarding employees for long dedicated work, high professional achievements and a great contribution to the nuclear industry development.

Visitors of the festival “From Pyramids to the NPP” invented their own ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs, built houses of materials at hand, had “nuclear” and Egyptian face painting, painted construction helmets in their own style, learned about scientific discoveries, had a trip all over the world around nuclear facilities built with Russian technologies. Besides, the Show of Scientific Wonders and an art object combining the achievements of Egyptian and Russian engineering - pyramids and the NPP were on offer.

“I’d like to highlight the strength of our international team and responsiveness of colleagues from different countries. Events like this help us get to know each other better and plunge in the cultures of our countries. Who knows when our Egyptian colleagues have another chance to taste real Russian pancakes?”, commented Alexey Kononenko, ASE JSC Vice President - Director for El-Dabaa NPP Construction Project.

“Welcome to all the festival participants, not only the project employees, but also their family members who support their near and dear working on the Egyptian land. My congratulations to everyone involved in this celebration, all the people who, day by day, devote their energies for the good of implementation of the NPP construction project. The objective of our project is not just future power generation, this is a story that will last for dozens of years and is written by more than one generation. I would like to express gratitude to the management of the Nuclear Power Plants Authority of Egypt and ASE JSC for the support given and the efforts made for joint achievement of all success possible in the El-Dabaa NPP construction project!”, Dr. Mohammed Dwiddar, El-Dabaa NPP Project Manager on behalf of Nuclear Power Plants Authority, appealed to the floor.

The celebration brought together more than thousand of the project employees and their family members. This is the first large-scale event arranged jointly with the Egyptian Owner.

***For reference:***

El-Dabaa NPP is the first nuclear power plant in Egypt which will be built in the city of El-Dabaa, Matrouh province, on the Mediterranean coast, approximately 300 km North-West of Cairo. The NPP will consist of four power units, 1200 MW each, with VVER-1200 reactors (pressurized water reactor) of generation III+ . This is the newest generation technology which has references and is already operating successfully. There are four operational power units of this generation: two reactors at Novovoronezh NPP and two at Leningrad NPP. Outside Russia, one power unit of Belarus NPP with VVER-1200 reactor was connected to the grid in November 2020.

The NPP is being constructed in accordance with the package of contracts which entered into force on December 11, 2017. In accordance with the contractual obligations, the Russian party will not only construct the power plant but will also supply nuclear fuel for the whole life cycle of the NPP and will provide assistance to the Egyptian partners in training of the personnel and support of operation and service of the plant during the first 10 years of its operation. Under a separate agreement, the Russian party will build a special storage and will supply containers for storing spent nuclear fuel.

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