



## OECD/NEA Workshop on Innovations in Water-cooled Reactor Technologies

**OKBM AFRIKANTOV**

**SMALL MODULAR REACTORS**

**ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS FOR SAFETY PROVISION**

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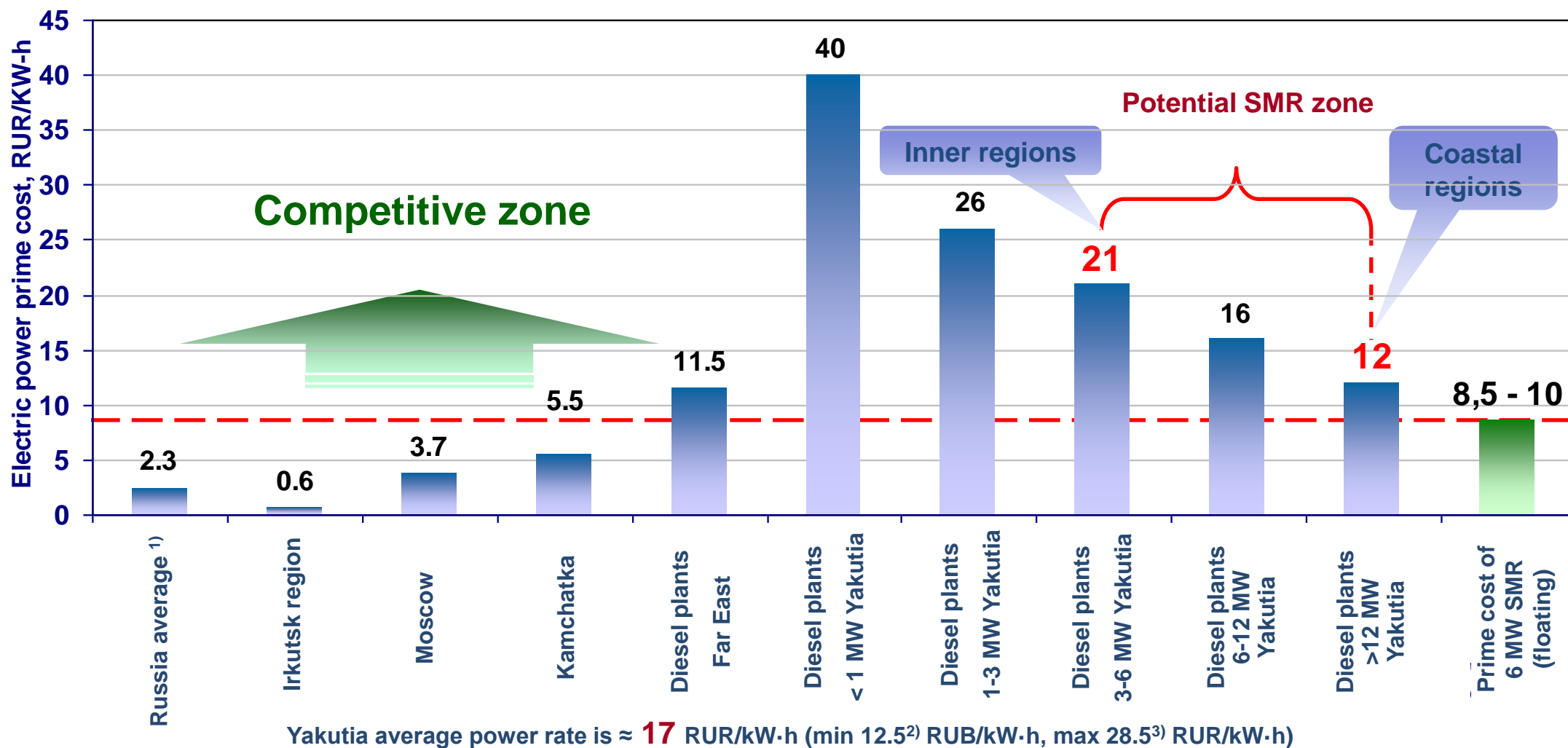


Small and medium reactors have a significant potential for developing new and economically promising market segments for nuclear power

Small reactors	Medium reactors
In the remote or isolated regions where the hydrocarbon fuel delivery cost is very high, electricity grids are either absent or underdeveloped	In the regions where big capacities are not required, consumers are setting demands for reliable electricity supply systems; cost of gas, fuel oil and coal are dominating in the regional budgets

Classification of SMRs	
Classification	Notes
1 By electric power of single power unit (IAEA classification)	<p><u>Small reactors</u> – up to 300 MWe</p> <p><u>Medium reactors</u> – between 300 and 700 MWe</p>
2 By energy consumption sectors	<p>For Russia it means:</p> <p><u>Local Sector (1-20MWe)</u> - isolated from the Russian energy system and other energy sources; consists of one source and one or several consumers</p> <p><u>Territorial Sector (20-100MWe)</u> - centralized; isolated from the Russian energy system; consists of several sources and consumers</p> <p><u>Regional Sector (100-700MWe)</u> - centralized; consists of balanced sources and consumers; connected to the Russian energy system</p>

- IMPLEMENTATION OF SMRs MATCHES THE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY OF THE ARCTIC AREA
- IMPLEMENTATION OF SMRs IS A PROMISING AREA WITH ITS OWN MARKET NICHE



1) FEDERAL TARIFF SERVICE (FTC, RUSSIA). Order. On maximum tariff level for electric power for 2014, No. 185-e/1 dated October 11, 2013.

2) Decree on fixing of tariffs for electric power supplied by JSC "Sakhaenergo" in 2013 Nos. 211 and 212 dated December 20, 2012, Yakutsk (for Chersky and Zeleny Mys settlements and Ugolnoe village, Verkhnekolymsky ulus)

3) Decree on fixing of tariffs for electric power produced by JSC "Sakhaenergo" in 2013, No. 204 dated December 18, 2012 Yakutsk (all over Yakutia)

## OKBM Afrikantov SMR development engineering basis

**Wide experience in naval nuclear propulsion plants development and operation**



**Operating experience > 6 500 reactor-years**

**Wide experience in development and operation of nuclear propulsion plants for icebreakers**



**Number of RPs – 20 (including 8 operating nuclear icebreakers)**  
**More than 50 years of 3 nuclear icebreakers generations in Arctic**  
**Operating experience > 365 reactor-years**

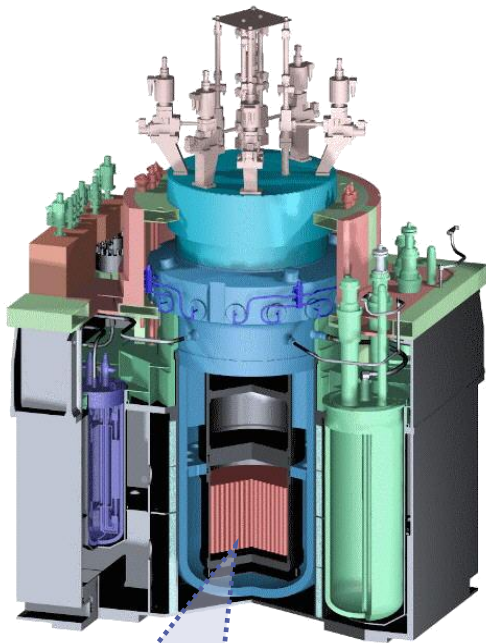
**Experience in reactor plants design and procurement for floating nuclear power unit**

**Experience in design, licensing and construction of KLT-40S floating power unit**



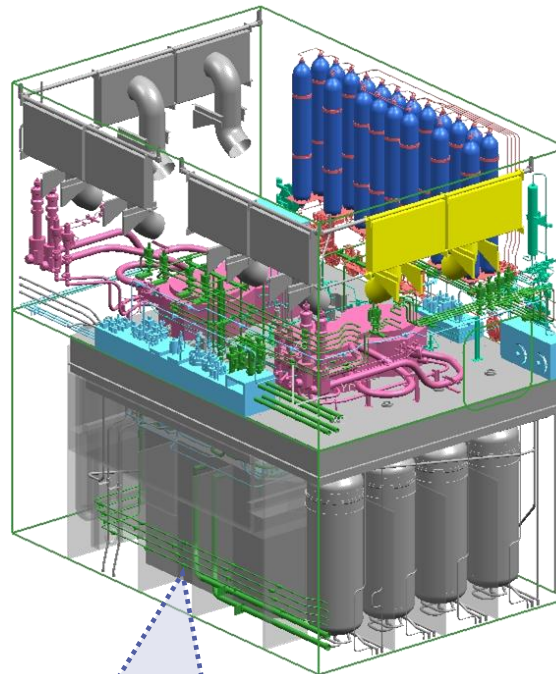
**We have proven reactor technologies and innovative solutions**

**ABV-6M**



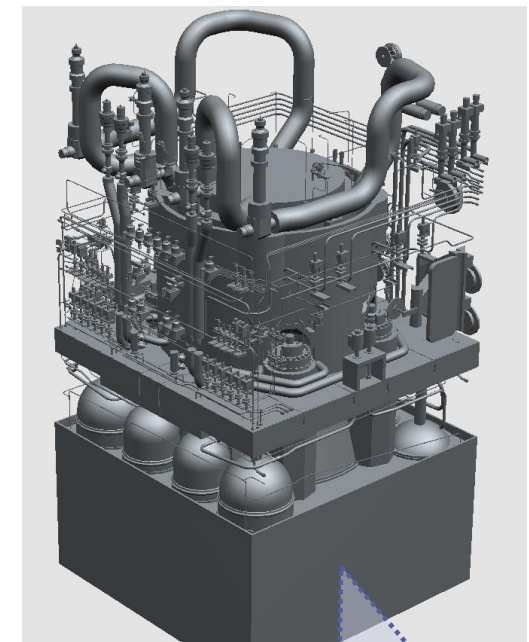
**Thermal power 16-45 MW**  
**Electric power 4-10 MW**  
Integral type reactor with 100 % primary circuit natural circulation for stationary and floating NPPs

**KLT-40S**



**Thermal power 150 MW**  
**Electric power 38,5 MW**  
Serial modular reactor for nuclear icebreakers and freight ships, stationary and floating NPPs

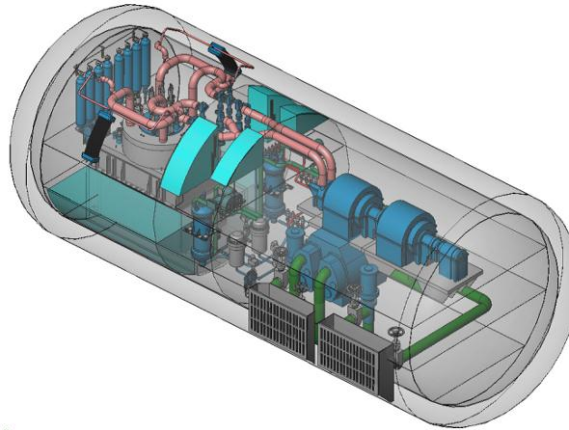
**RITM-200M**



**Thermal power 175 MW**  
**Electric power ~ 50 MW**  
Integral type reactor with forced circulation for nuclear icebreakers, stationary and floating NPPs



**FLOATING POWER UNITS TO SUPPLY HEAT AND POWER TO THE CONSUMERS IN COASTAL ZONE OF HARD-TO-REACH AREAS**



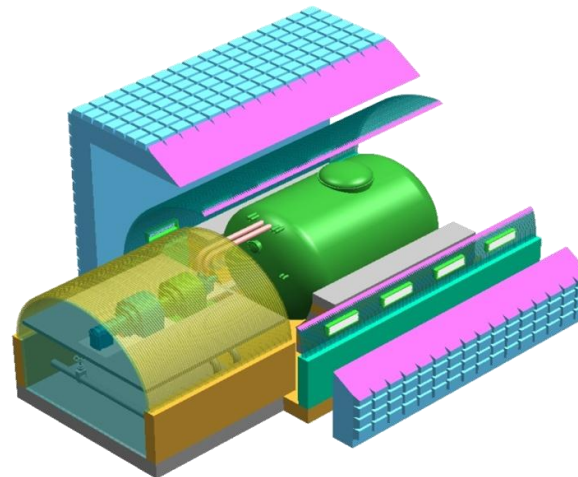
**SUBSEA NUCLEAR POWER UNITS**



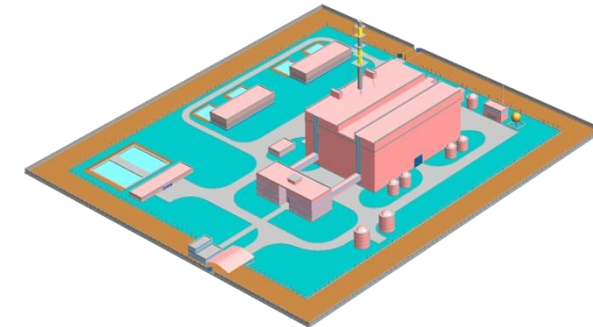
**FLOATING NUCLEAR DESALINATION COMPLEXES**



**AUTONOMOUS POWER SUPPLY FOR OFFSHORE OIL PLATFORMS**



**MODULAR TRANSPORTABLE POWER UNITS**



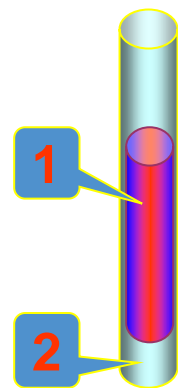
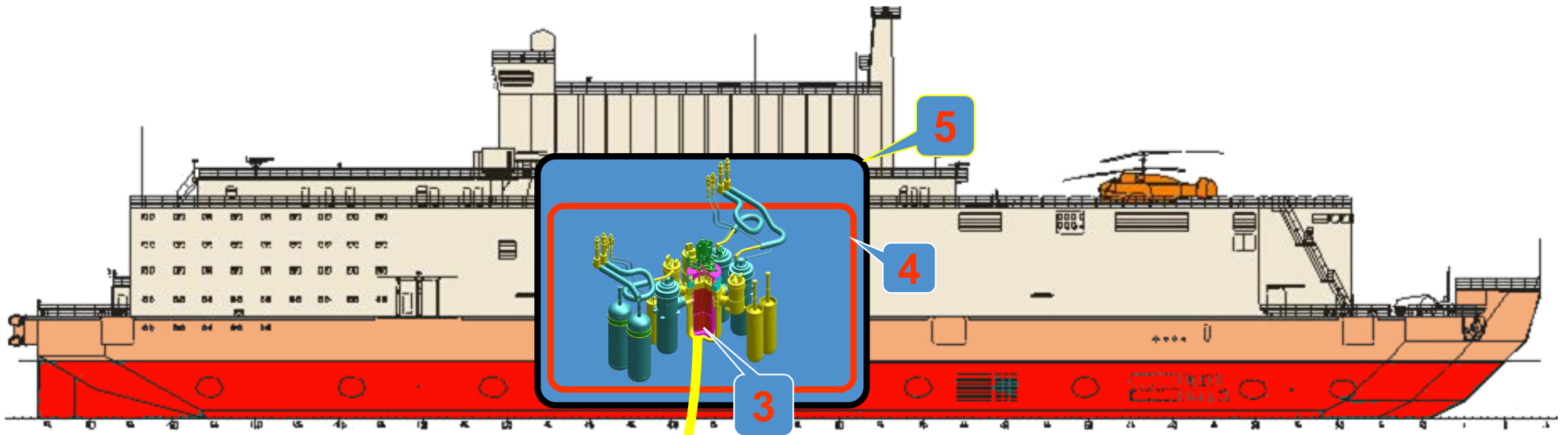
**GROUND-BASED PLANTS FOR AUTONOMOUS POWER SUPPLY**

## SAFETY CONCEPT:

- Defense-in-depth
- Inherent safety features
- Engineered safety features and procedures including:
  - passive safety systems
  - self-actuating devices
  - proven engineering practices and up-to-date design experience

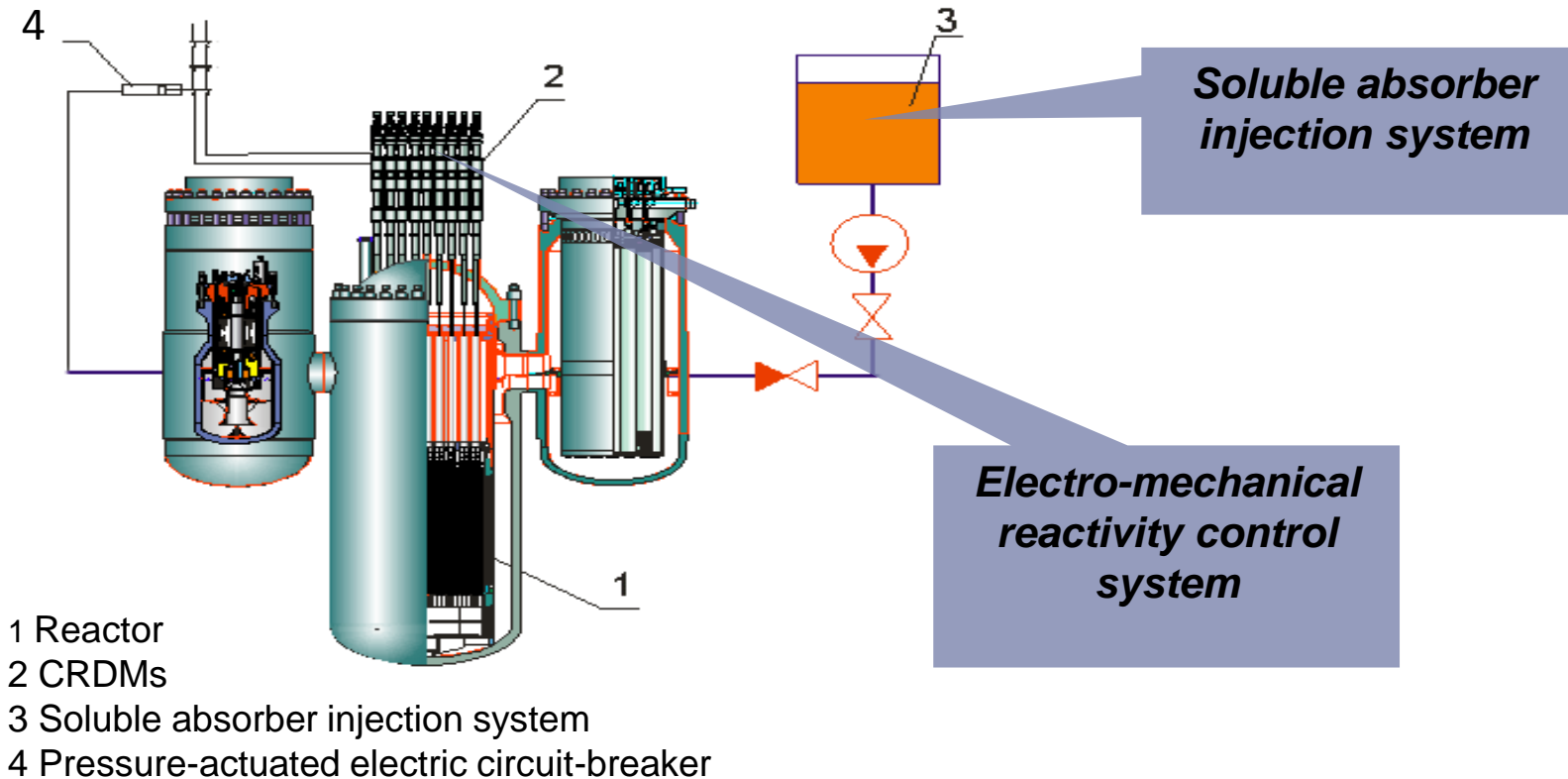
## INHERENT SAFETY FEATURES:

- Negative reactivity coefficients on fuel and coolant temperature and on steam density and integral power
- High thermal conductivity of the fuel composition defining its relatively low temperature
- Natural circulation in the reactor coolant system and EHRS passive channels
- Insertion of control rods into the core under the force of springs (scram rods) or gravity (shim rods) in case CRDMs are de-energized
- High thermal capacity of the reactor primary coolant system components and structures
- High mechanical stress margin on the reactor coolant system pressure
- Compact modular and leaktight design excluding long and large diameter RCS pipelines



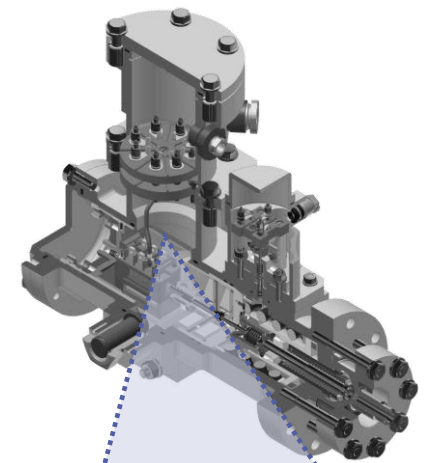
- 1 – FUEL COMPOSITION**
- 2 – FUEL CLADDING**
- 3 – RCS PRESSURE BOUNDARY**
- 4 – PLANT CONTAINMENT**
- 5 – PROTECTIVE ENCLOSURE**





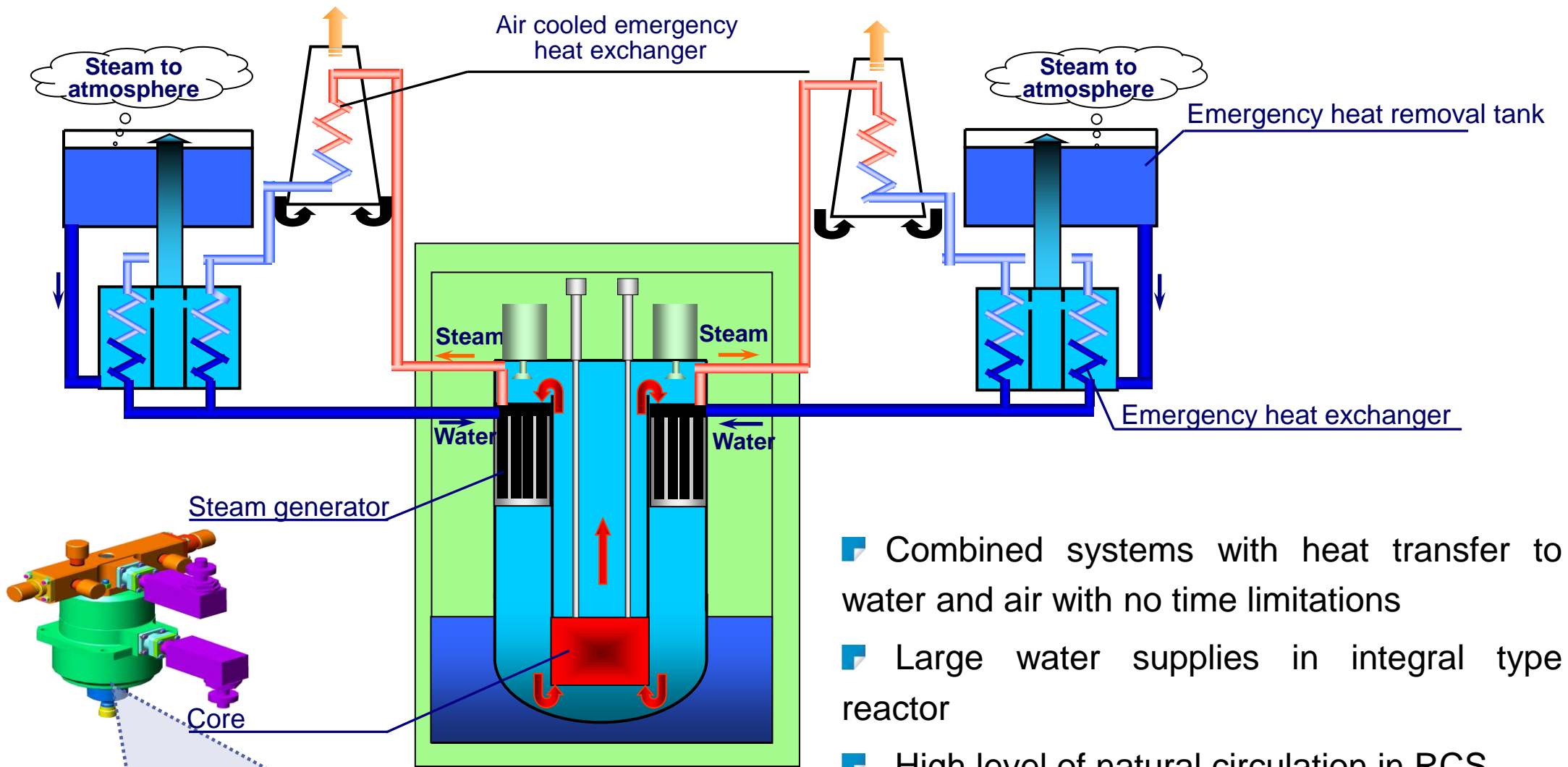
## In case of emergency reactor shutdown system failures safety is provided in all modes by :

- Reactor inherent safety features
- Usage of frontline safety systems and self-actuating devices
- Maintaining of primary circuit pressure within elastic region for RCS elements



**Pressure-actuated electric circuit-breakers** de-energize CRDMs (shutdown the reactor) on:

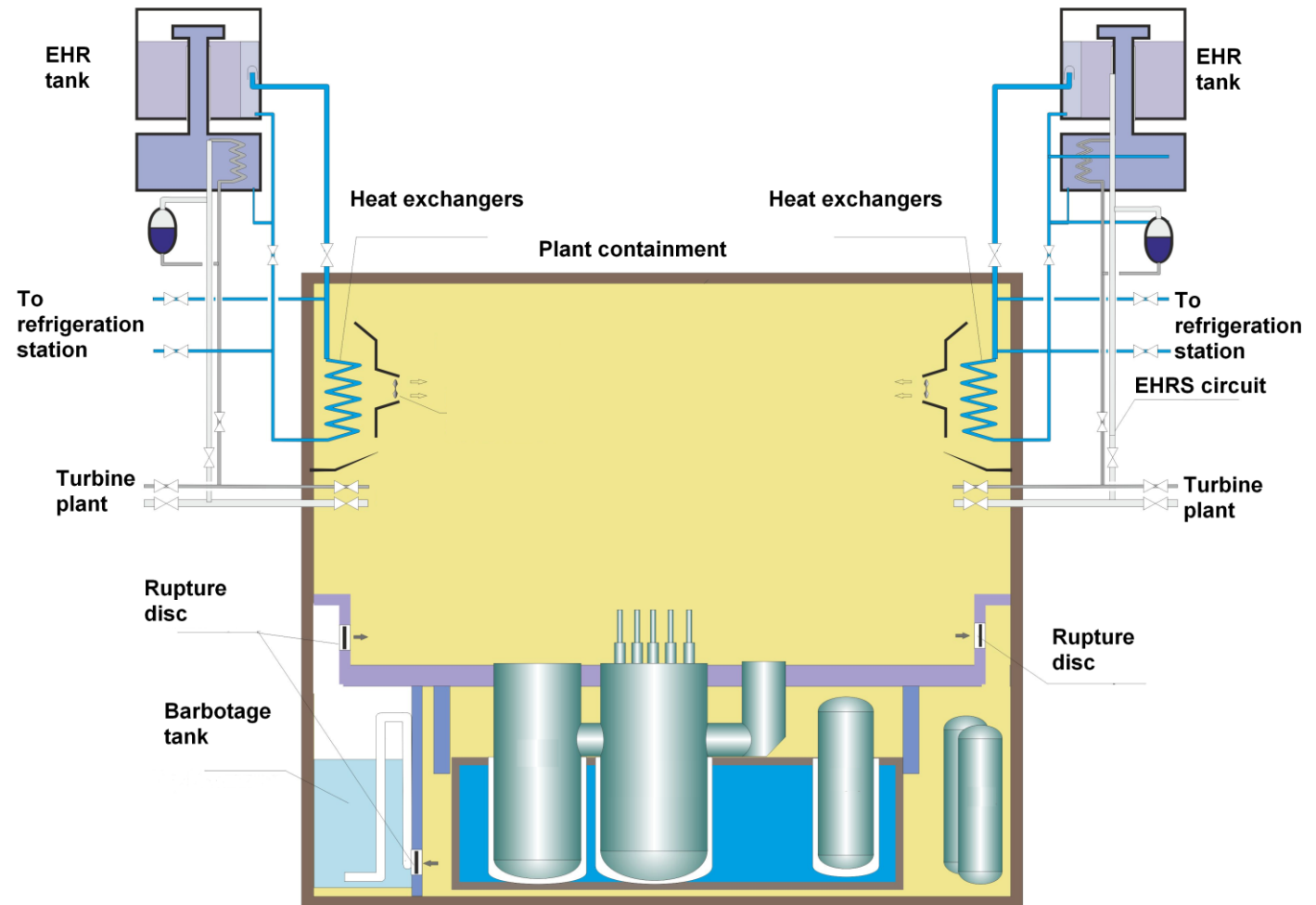
- High reactor coolant pressure
- High containment pressure



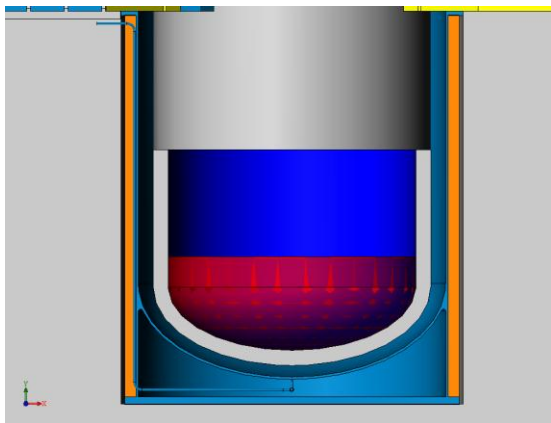
**Hydraulically operated air distributors**  
Pneumatically-driven valves in the passive EHR channels are opened on primary circuit overpressure

- Combined systems with heat transfer to water and air with no time limitations
- Large water supplies in integral type reactor
- High level of natural circulation in RCS

- ▣ The safety function is to protect the safety barrier (plant containment)
- ▣ In case of LOCA safety features provide that the core will be covered by the coolant
- ▣ Safety systems provide continuous emergency cooling of the core on account of containment designed for high inner pressure and heat removal by passive EHRs



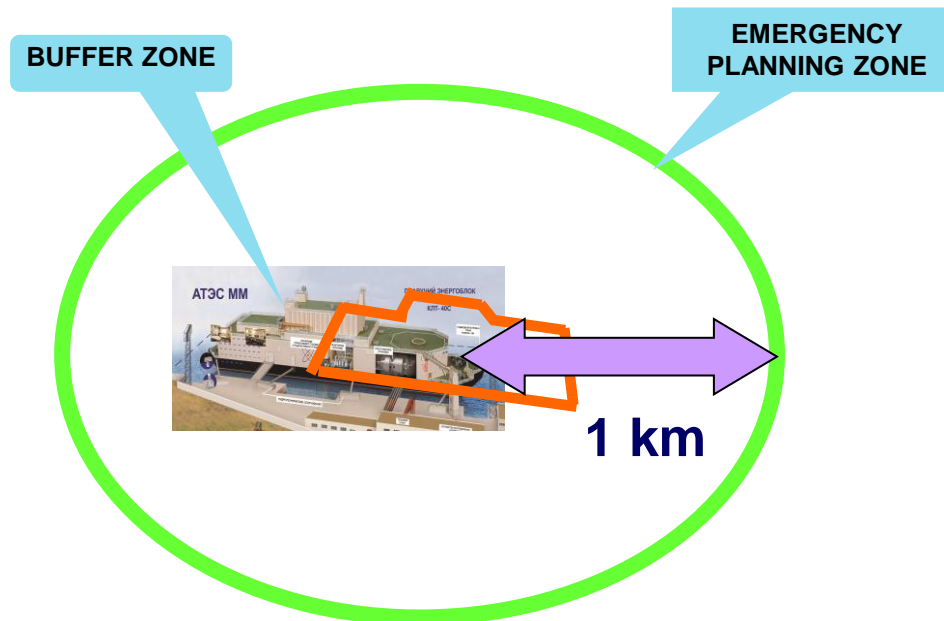
## SEVERE ACCIDENT ANALYSIS



- The inner surface of the reactor vessel doesn't melt
- Heat is reliably removed from the outer surface of the reactor vessel bottom
- Mechanical properties of the reactor vessel material are preserved at the level that is sufficient to ensure the load bearing capacity

## RADIATION SAFETY

CHARACTERISTIC	VALUE
1. Buffer zone size	<b>Coincides with NPP site boundary</b>
2. Emergency planning zone radius	<b>&lt;1 km</b>
3. Emergency planning zone for mandatory population evacuation	<b>no zone</b>



## PSA LEVEL 1 RESULTS

Scope of PSA	Core damage frequency (1/reactor-year)
Internal initiating events for full power	<10 <sup>-7</sup>
Low power and shutdown modes	~3 · 10 <sup>-9</sup>

Probabilistic safety analysis level 1 results indicated that KLT-40S floating power unit design is well-balanced and its safety level meets Russian regulatory requirements and IAEA recommendations for existing and future power plants

**THANK YOU FOR ATTENTION!**

