



## **PRESS** RELEASE

## AREVA Adopts Principles of Conduct with World's Leading Nuclear Vendors

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AREVA announced today the adoption of a common set of principles of conduct with the world's other leading nuclear plant vendors. Crafted over the last three years and facilitated by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, this code reflects the best practices for the export of new nuclear power plants to countries with existing nuclear programs as well as those interested in developing civilian nuclear power.

These principles are unprecedented in the nuclear energy industry. AREVA has pledged to implement them within the group and promote them throughout its supply chain, reflecting the company's commitment to meet and exceed the highest standards for safety, security, environmental protection and ethics in all of its business activities. The other vendors have voluntarily pledged to do likewise.

"At AREVA, like in the rest of the nuclear industry, continuous improvement is part of our culture. Our entire industry supports these values as a token of our commitment to a sustainable future for nuclear energy," said Luc Oursel, CEO of AREVA. « To guaranty the long-term success of our activities, we must continuously strive to meet the highest environmental and social expectations of our society, which is why AREVA is pleased to adopt these principles that the group largely contributed to elaborating."

"For AREVA, it was natural that we participated from the beginning in this Carnegie-led initiative. In effect, it follows the path described in the AREVA Values Charter," Oursel added.

AREVA will work to educate its employees, suppliers and other stakeholders about supporting these principles of conduct and will check, through periodic reviews, that these practices are being implemented. ATMEA, an AREVA-Mitsubishi joint venture, has also adopted the principles.

For more information about the principles of conduct, visit: <a href="http://www.nuclearprinciples.org">http://www.nuclearprinciples.org</a>.

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AREVA supplies solutions for power generation with less carbon. Its expertise and unwavering insistence on safety, security, transparency and ethics are setting the standard, and its responsible development is anchored in a process of continuous improvement.

Ranked first in the global nuclear power industry, AREVA's unique integrated offering to utilities covers every stage of the fuel cycle, nuclear reactor design and construction, and related services. The group is also expanding in renewable energies – wind, solar, bioenergies, hydrogen and storage – to be one of the top three in this sector worldwide in 2012.

With these two major offers, AREVA's 48,000 employees are helping to supply ever safer, cleaner and more economical energy to the greatest number of people.