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## China: AREVA and CNNC strengthen collaboration in installed nuclear base management

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Luc Oursel, President and CEO of AREVA, and Yu Peigen, Vice President of National Nuclear Corporation (CNNC), have recently signed a memorandum of understanding to strengthen collaboration between AREVA and CNNC in the fields of nuclear safety and operational excellence.

Under the agreement, the two groups will work in particular on improving operating performance and on optimizing the maintenance of existing reactors (installed base).

A working group will be set up to explore the scope and modalities of this collaboration, which will encompass lessons learned from the Fukushima accident as well as measures for optimizing CNNC's power plants.

This agreement is another building block in a long-standing partnership which began several years ago between AREVA and CNNC in many fields. It illustrates the major role played by both groups in achieving ambitious objectives set by the Chinese authorities in the nuclear field, and strengthens AREVA's status as a leading partner of the Chinese nuclear industry.

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