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Jour-Fixe: From Chernobyl to Fukushima - What future for energy policy?

In 1986 the world has witnessed the horrendous nuclear catastrophe of Chernobyl and until now its consequences are tangible and the danger unforgotten. However, 25 years on, the recent nuclear catastrophe in the Japanese town of Fukushima, has proven yet again that nuclear power stations are anything else but safe and reliable sources of energy.

Nevertheless, this "clean technology" is still advocated for in many countries and shockingly enough even new nuclear power plants are being built and planned in many countries. Nuclear energy is often said to be a feasible, inexpensive and reliable alternative to fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas.

In the light of the past and recent nuclear catastrophes, however, it seems necessary to revive the debate on the values and perils of nuclear energy. This seems especially true for the case of Russia, where already in 1957 the Mayak incident has set a mark but seems already long forgotten as policy makers move on with plans to cooperate with Belarus on the construction of a new nuclear power plant.

So, are we really observing a "nuclear renaissance"? Do we and why do we need nuclear energy? What are the alternatives for a sustainable and safe energy policy? How do the past and present nuclear catastrophes impact on the development on safer technologies?

We would like to discuss with you about these and other questions at our event

Speakers:

Stephen Thomas - Professor of energy policy at the University of Greenwich Business School and previously at the University of Sussex. Co-author of "Myth of nuclear power - a guide".

Vladimir Milov - President of the Institute of Energy Policy and independent politician, formerly Deputy Minister for Energy, Russian Federation.

Moderation: Jens Siegert, Director of the Heinrich-Boell-Foundation in Russia

Simultaneous translation from English to Russian and vice versa will be provided during this event. Free entry, no registration required.

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