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The Binational Nuclear Energy Commission between Argentina and Brazil: its activities in the area of regulation and standards



The **Binational Nuclear Energy Commission (COBEN)** was established on 3 March 2008, in accordance with the terms of the Declaration signed on 22 February 2008 by the President of the Republic of Argentina and the President of the Federative Republic of Brazil

The nuclear agencies of both countries integrate COBEN, whose objective is to implement specific **co-operative projects** in the field of **peaceful use of nuclear energy**

The **twenty-nine** existing projects are coordinated by five executive groups in the areas of reactors and waste, nuclear energy applications, fuel cycle, uranium enrichment and **regulatory issues**.



The **Nuclear Regulatory of Argentina (ARN)** is an autonomous body reporting to the President of Argentina, empowered to regulate and control the nuclear activity with regard to *radiation and nuclear safety, non proliferation issues and physical protection and security*. Its objective is to establish, develop and enforce a regulatory system applicable to all nuclear activities carried out in Argentina.



As the **competent body in regulatory matters**, the ARN, together with its Brazilian counterpart - the National Commission of Nuclear Energy, CNEN - implements the **eight regulatory projects** under the framework of **COBEN**.



OUTPUTS & ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Bilingual glossary of Nuclear Regulatory terms

Agreement of Cooperation between CNEN and ARN for the import and export of radioactive sources

Fukushima Daiichi accident impact- top priority tasks

- *Inspections
- *Technical visits
- *Exchange of information

Safeguards- intercomparison exercises



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