
MACRON ANNOUNCES 'NUCLEAR RENAISSANCE' - AND PAPERS OVER PAST MISHAPS

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French President Emmanuel Macron on Thursday announced the construction of six new nuclear reactors, a long-anticipated move to ramp up the country's long-term energy-production capacity and add to the country's aging nuclear fleet.

Thursday's announcements are the acme of Macron's nuclear push, which has intensified over past months as an answer to skyrocketing energy prices and a way to reach the country's energy-independence goals.

They're also meant to put a lid on the president's past mishaps when it comes to the country's energy infrastructure, namely the sale of one of the country's industrial jewels to American giant General Electric in 2014 — finalized when Macron was economy minister.

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