

The Site Selection Procedure for High-level Radioactive Waste in Germany

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§1 Site Selection Act

The site selection procedure is intended to identify a site with the **best possible safety** for a final disposal facility [...] in the Federal Republic of Germany in a **participatory, science-based, transparent, self-questioning and learning procedure** for domestically generated high-level radioactive waste.





Institutional Actors in the Site Selection Process



Federal Parliament: Deutscher Bundestag



The Ministry: Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz, nukleare Sicherheit und Verbraucherschutz (BMUV)

Political Responsibility



Civil Society Board (NBG)



Authority: Bundesamt für die Sicherheit der nuklearen Entsorgung (BASE)



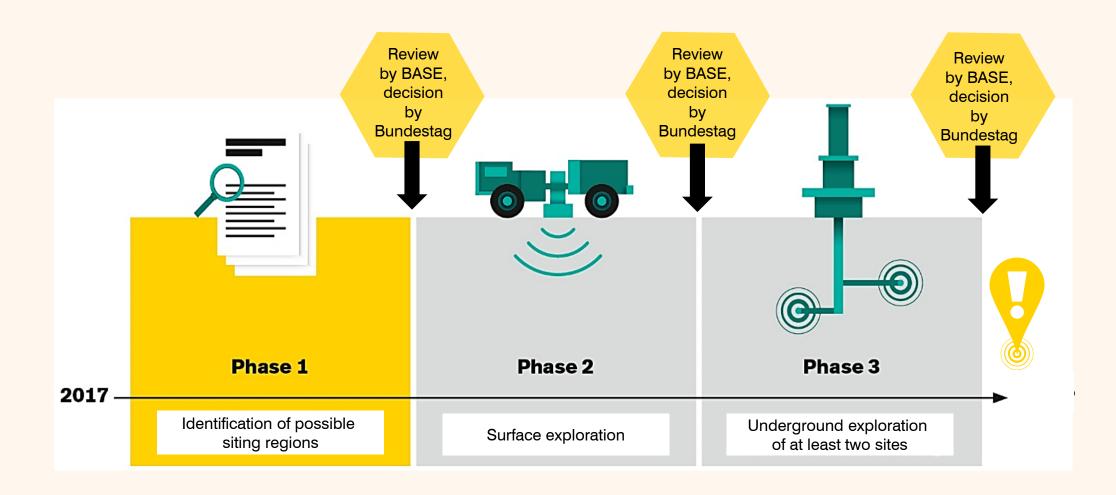
Bundesgesellschaft für Endlagerung mbH (BGE)

Supervision Body with Responsibility for Public Participation

Implementer

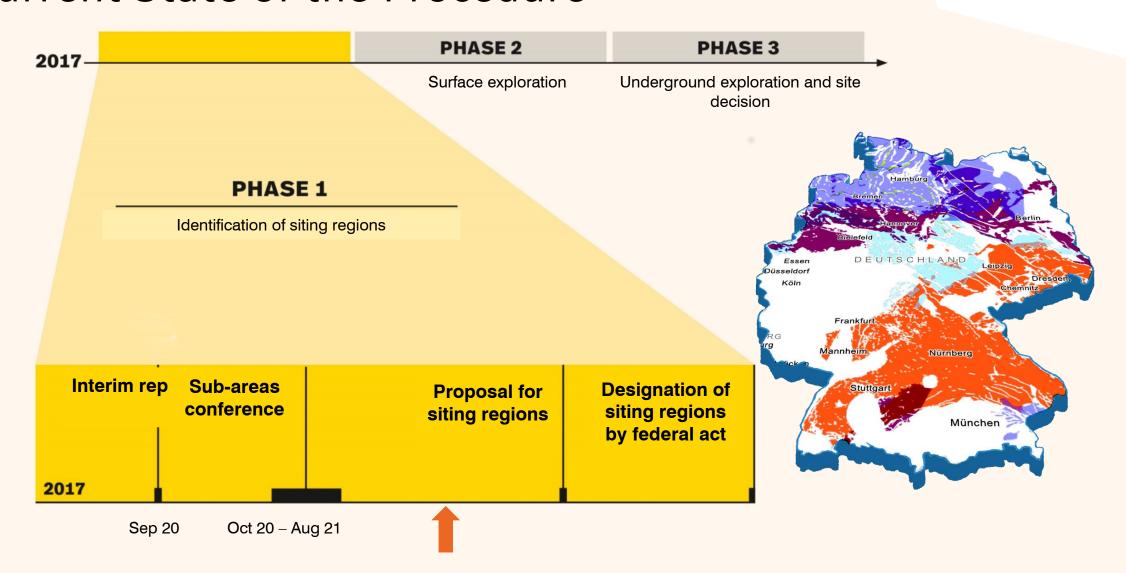


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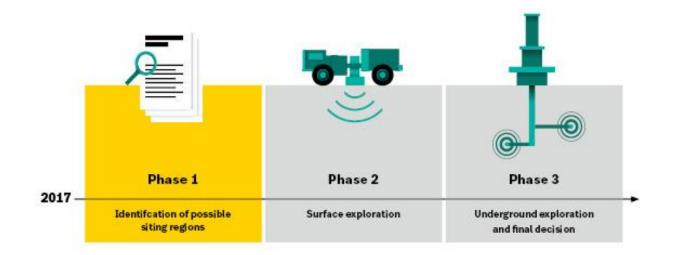


The Current State of the Procedure





New Time Scales



September 2020: **Interim report sub-areas of BGE mbH** 90 sub-areas (54 % of the area of Germany)

October 2022: BGE mbH

- Exemplary scenario 1: 2046 site decision
- Exemplary scenario 2: 2068 site decision

Next milestone:

BGE mbH plans to submit the siting region proposal to BASE in the third quarter of 2027



Thank you for your attention!