Kick-off meeting Dutch research programme on geological disposal of radioactive waste

Wednesday 4 November 2020

Public event (10:00 - 12:00)

Chair: Ewoud Verhoef, Deputy Director COVRA

- 10:00 Start public event: welcome word
- **10:05** Deep Time, the key to the (very) long-term management of our nuclear waste Manuel Sintubin, Professor of Geodynamics at KU Leuven, Belgium
- 10:35 Geological Disposal: What Next after Half a Century of RD&D Neil Chapman, Professor Emeritus at University of Sheffield, UK
- 11:10 40 years of experience Rethinking the focus of the programme for safe geological disposal Timo Äikäs, Finland
- 11:45 Summary

Break (12:00 - 13:00)

Technical event (13:00 - 15:00)

Chair: Ewoud Verhoef, Deputy Director COVRA

- 13: 00 Start technical event: welcome word
- 13:10 Challenges for coring Dutch poorly indurated clays for research Erika Neeft, COVRA
- 13:40 Geological disposal in rock-salt Jeroen Bartol, COVRA
- 14:15 International affairs and cross-cutting topicsMarja Vuorio, COVRA
- 14:50 Conclusion
- 15:00 End program