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In this book, expert energy economists assess the energy policy of thirty one countries and the role of nuclear power.

For many years the shock of Chernobyl took nuclear power off the agenda in most countries. Intense public relations activities by the industry, increasing evidence of climate change and failures to effectively reduce greenhouse gas emissions, have brought nuclear power issues back to the forefront of policy discussion in the **nuclear renaissance countries**. But some countries are just not prepared to go in that direction and, indeed, are still divesting themselves of their nuclear legacy, the **nuclear phase-out countries**. And how are nuclear issues being approached in the **industrializing countries**? An in-depth country-by-country analysis is presented within this framework.

Out of such an analysis emerge thematic discussions on, among others, strategy in energy policy; nuclear plant safety, the impacts of nuclear accidents; the adequacy of nuclear power expertise.

This book is partly based on papers presented by authors at the meetings of the Restructuring Energy Systems For Optimal Resource Management (REFORM) group of energy economists, supplemented by invited expert contributions. **See over for full contents.**

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