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<u>The Apave group strengthens its support of the nuclear industry in</u> <u>Europe and announces the acquisition of Numip</u>

Apave, an international group with more than 150 years of experience, specialising in the management of technical, environmental, human and digital risks, has announced the acquisition of a majority stake in Numip, a Slovenian company specialising in the engineering, construction, maintenance and production of nuclear power plants and treatment plants.

The place of nuclear power in the French, European and global energy mix is at the heart of current events, whether linked to geopolitical issues or to the necessary decarbonisation of the economy. Faced with these major challenges, many countries have decided to accelerate the construction of new reactors and to strengthen maintenance operations in order to extend the life of existing reactors. The existence and even the development of cutting-edge expertise in nuclear technologies, processes and equipment are key to the success of these policies.

In line with its strategic plan for 2025, the Apave Group is pursuing its growth through external acquisitions and new partnerships, particularly in the energy sector, which has been identified as a priority development sector for the group. The acquisition of the majority of Numip's capital will enable the Apave Group to strengthen its activities in the nuclear sector in Europe, and more widely on a global scale in the context of projects carried out by international clients. Numip's skills, accreditations and geographical positions are complementary to those of the Apave Group. This acquisition, a source of synergies, will promote the development of innovative solutions for a successful energy transition.

With more than 25 years of experience, Numip is a company based in Slovenia, with 150 employees. Numip has extensive know-how in design, installation, maintenance and complex project management for the nuclear and pharmaceutical industries, and Q-Techna, its subsidiary, operates in the TIC (Testing, Inspection, Certification) market, in which the Apave Group is a leader.

"We are glad to join forces with Mr Corak, the other shareholder of Numip and founder of INETEC - a leading company in the development of robot-based inpsection and non-destructive testing solutions for the nuclear industry. Our complementary expertise and common ambition will enable us to accelerate Numip's development with their customers by providing them with an offer enriched by the synergies that we will be able to create together," says Philippe Maillard, CEO of the Apave Group.

About the Apave Group

Apave is an international group with over 150 years of experience in risk management. An independent company with a turnover of €989 million in 2021, Apave currently has 12,650 employees, 130 agencies in France, 170 training sites in France and abroad and 18 test centres. Apave has an international presence in over 45 countries. Nearly 500,000 customers already place their trust in Apave in France and abroad. <u>www.apave.com</u>

About Numip

Numip is a leading company in the engineering, construction, maintenance and production of nuclear and process plants. Founded in 1996 and based in Ljubljana, Slovenia, Numip currently has two locations and 150 employees. It operates both nationally and internationally, supporting several nuclear power plants around the world. <u>www.numip.si</u>

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