

# Press Release



**A new consortium for technical support gathers more than 500 nuclear experts**

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## **Suppliers to the projects of ROSATOM new nuclear block construction have acquired new technical support: AATNA**

**Prague, May 11, 2018. The Cooperation Agreement was signed by 4 strategic players in the field of nuclear sector services: ALTA, a.s. and its subsidiary OOO „ALTA RUS“, ALVEL, a.s., TÜV NORD Czech, s.r.o. and ATG s.r.o. The cooperation will be presented on Monday at ATOMEXPO 2018. The cooperation is aimed at technical support to ROSATOM suppliers for construction projects of new nuclear blocks in Europe (e.g. Finland and Hungary) and close surroundings (Turkey, Egypt, Jordan).**

Products and services suppliers approved for the ROSATOM supply chain have acquired a partner whom they can contact with issues concerning welding, non-destructive or destructive testing, control systems of nuclear and non-nuclear technology systems, PED, ASME, nuclear fuel, safety assessment, product and services quality management, including subcontracting supervision or inspections, technical consultations and licensing of nuclear facilities, or comparing Russian codes and standards with European legislation.

*"Our common goal is to become a reliable partner for companies, one they can contact anytime, even when they lack professional resources", Ing. Jan Weinfurt, General Manager of TÜV NORD Czech explains, and adds: A typical "scarce expert" is, for example, NDT Level III for developing procedures and methodology".*

This partnership is of key importance also in terms of the effort to reduce risks of supplying inadequate components or weaknesses in the assembly, resulting in construction delays, which entails huge financial and time losses. Each company has been catering to the nuclear power sector for more than a quarter of a century.

*"For years, our company belongs among the most recognized authorities in the nuclear power sector. Among our experts are people who participated in the construction of nuclear blocks and can share their experience. This is also one of the reasons why our company became a competence centre for VVER nuclear reactors and the ASME competence centre for all TÜV NORD Group branches", Mr. Weinfurt adds.*

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**ALTA**, a.s. ([www.alta.cz](http://www.alta.cz)) is a modern, progressively developing commercial and industrial company that operates in the Czech Republic and abroad. In the external trade the company focuses predominantly on the Central and Eastern European markets, however the company has been recently extending its coverage to other countries. In export the company specialises in supplies of technological units, machine tools, engineering goods, facilities for the production of construction materials and extraction and treatment of ores and stones. ALTA Groups consists of the parent company ALTA Invest, a.s. and Czech and foreign subsidiaries, with ALTA RUS being one of the most important.

**ALVEL**, a.s. ([www.alvel.cz](http://www.alvel.cz)). The goal of the company is to become one of the leaders in Czech nuclear energy field and to provide excellent scientific and engineering services in the field. Our services are directly linked to the nuclear energy devices, not only in the Czech Republic but in Slovakia, Russia and across Europe as well. Temelín and Dukovany nuclear power plants in the Czech Republic are essential for the ALVEL policy. The main objective of Alvel, a.s. is to significantly contribute to their safe, reliable and economic operation and to help the Czech nuclear energy sector win a good reputation.

**TÜV NORD** Czech, s.r.o. ([www.tuev-nord.cz](http://www.tuev-nord.cz)) is the consulting, inspection and certification company. In the Czech Republic it focuses on technical expertise in industrial and energy sectors, system, product and personnel certification, inspections of materials up to technological units in various industries, supplier certification and technology and environmental assessment. The company is a member of TÜV NORD GROUP which caters with 10,000 employees to more than 70 countries.

**ATG (Advanced Technology Group)**, s.r.o. ([www.atg.cz](http://www.atg.cz)) is a Czech private company that provides complete solutions in the field of non-destructive testing (NDT) of parts and other special processes. The company, inter alia, focuses on development and production of systems for NDT, personnel qualification, and inspection of technical facilities. The company caters to aircraft, energy, oil and gas industries, production of rolling stock in Europe, Russia and CIS, in the Middle East and East Asian countries. The company celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary last year.

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