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The delivery of nuclear fuel is a great step in implementing the Akkuyu NPP construction project in Turkey. After the fuel arrives at the site, the work will begin to load it into the reactor, followed by a stage-wise reactor launch. This will be a truly significant event and an important milestone in the Russian-Turkish relations.

Turkish students, who will be part of the operating and maintenance personnel of the Akkuyu Nuclear Power Plant, have been trained in Russia since the early 2010s, and we at MEPhI are continuing to train them. By now, over 200 students have graduated from MEPhI and found a job with Akkuyu.

Starting next year, we are planning to offer joint curricula devised in partnerships with other universities to train Turkish technicians for the Akkuyu NPP. I hope that the nuclear power plant in Turkey will be a strong binding element in our countries’ relations and an example of a successful project.