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### Abstract

### Introduction

- The reference group (RG) in the context of Swedish nuclear waste management
- The RG in the wider context of participation and transparency



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### The copper corrosion controversy

- Copper canister in the KBS 3 repository
- Hultqvist and Szakalos experiments
- International seminar of the Swedish nuclear waste Council
- SKB decided to invite to the RG



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### The reference group

- SKB letter of invitation
- Participants
- Work methodology, grounding principles
- Work programme – experiments
- Examples of impact on experiments



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### An example of participation and transparency

- Models of stakeholder involvement
- The Arnstein ladder and the safe space concept
- Earlier examples from Sweden
- The niche of the RG



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### **Participants views on the format and content of reference group work**

- From questionnaire

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### **Conclusions**