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Our community was formed in 1958 to ensure that Europe makes the best use of its atomic resources. Atomic research makes huge demands on Europe's limited technical and financial resources. Euratom is therefore harnessing these resources so that the community countries will together be able to compare with the great atomic powers of the world. We have our own research program which is well under way and which complements the work being undertaken in member countries. Euratom's work is essential both for European integration and for winning what might be called the battle of the standard of living. Our research should ensure that power essential for economic expansion and higher living standards will be available for Europe in the quantities required and at a low price.

