



FUSION FOR ENERGY

The European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy

THE GOVERNING BOARD

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS OF THE 36th MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN JOINT UNDERTAKING FOR ITER AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF FUSION ENERGY ('FUSION FOR ENERGY')

Barcelona, 1-2 December 2016

The Governing Board (GB) of the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy (Fusion for Energy – “F4E”) decided the following:

Approval of the Agenda

1. The GB approved the agenda of its 36th meeting.

Approval of the Minutes

2. The GB approved the minutes of its 35th meeting.

Written Procedures

3. The GB noted the written procedures since the previous GB meeting.

Reports from EURATOM

4. The GB noted a report from EURATOM on the positive outcome of the 19th ITER Council meeting (IC19) where all Members converged on the approval ‘*ad referendum*’ of a new project documentation, setting the new schedule and related new cost estimates for the project;
5. Members (other than EURATOM) urged EURATOM to work towards a timely presentation of the Commission`s proposal to the Council to obtain a mandate to approve the ITER Baseline;
6. Agreed to have an extraordinary GB meeting once the Commission`s proposal to the Council has been presented and prior to the Council`s discussion.

Reports from the Chairs

7. The GB noted the report from the Chair of the GB including the summary of the last Bureau meeting of 23 November 2016;
8. The GB noted the report from the Chair of the Procurement and Contracts Committee (PCC);
9. The GB noted the report from the Chair of the Technical Advisory Panel (TAP);
10. The GB noted the report from the Chair of the Administration and Management Committee (AMC).

Reports from F4E

11. The GB noted a general Progress Report from F4E on the recent accomplishments related to the ITER and Broader Approach Projects including IFMIF/DONES, a status report on the Reserve fund, the Staffing and vacancy rate and the status on the F4E premises and:
 - a. Commended F4E for the progress in many different areas;
 - b. Encouraged F4E to keep giving the utmost priority to the Nuclear safety aspects and the proper implementation of the ASN requirements;

- c. Recommended F4E to work together with IO to improve cooperation and efficiency in Nuclear safety related processes;
- d. Charged the TAP to analyze, with the help of external experts, the way F4E manages Nuclear safety aspects and to report on it during the June GB.

Status update IFMIF/DONES

12. Took note of the progress in the DONES discussions;
13. Took note of the information provided by the Spanish representative on their proposal to host DONES;
14. Took note of the confirmation of the expression of interest by Poland and Croatia to host DONES;
15. Agreed to discuss further actions to be taken concerning DONES during this GB meeting under agenda point Any other Business.

Status of the Implementation F4E`s 2016 Action plan

16. The GB noted the progress on the implementation of the actions derived from the 2015 Action Plan, which were presented in conjunction with new actions.

Staffing and Vacancy rate

17. The GB took note of a presentation on staff and vacancy rate.

Status of F4E premises

18. The GB took note of the status report on the planned refurbishment of the F4E headquarters building in Barcelona and urged the Host State Spain to make the necessary budgetary appropriations in 2017 to allow the refurbishment to be carried out.

Fifth Annual Assessment of F4E

19. The GB noted the Assessors Reports and welcomed the overall positive assessment, in particular the outcome that F4E`s new management is considered to be performing well.

Buildings

20. The GB noted the report on the implementation of the external assessor recommendations on Buildings and commanded F4E to continue the follow-up of those recommendations.

Multi Annual Programming Document 2017-2021

21. The GB received a presentation summarising the Multi Annual Programming Document 2017-2021 (F4E (16)-GB36-10).
22. The GB approved ad interim the Multiannual Programming Document 2017-2021 and deferred the approval of the 2017 Budget until its final approval of the amended Multiannual Programming Document 2017-2021.

Risk appetite Policy

23. The GB adopted the Risk appetite Policy.

Operational matters

24. The GB noted the 2015-2016 Budget Implementation and 2017 forecast (taking into account major procurement procedures);
25. The GB adopted the 3rd Amendment to the 2016 WP;
26. The GB adopted the 2nd Amendment to the 2016 Budget.

ITER cost estimates and schedule

The GB noted F4E's updated cost estimates following IC 19.

International Agreement

27. The GB adopted the amendment to the International Agreement with Chinese DA (ASIPP).

Policy Matters

28. The GB noted the 2016 Geographical distribution of grants and contracts.

Audit Matters

29. The GB approve the IAC Annual Audit Plan 2017;

30. The GB noted the report on 2014 Discharge by the European Parliament;

31. The GB noted the 2015 Court of Auditor' s report;

32. The GB approved the amendment to the IAC Charter;

33. The GB noted the Audit Committee report.

Committee Matters

34. The GB noted the renewal of following committee members:

- a. For the PCC: Mr. Michel Bedoucha, Mr. Maciej Chorowski, Mr. Julio Monreal, Mrs. Federica Porcellana.
- b. For the AC: Andreas Pott, Christian Scherf.

Any Other Business

35. On the follow up of the DONES hosting proposals, the GB:

Requested the TAP Chair to present the terms of reference for the technical assessment of the candidates site proposals to be approved at the next extraordinary GB.

Future Meetings

The GB decided to have an extraordinary meeting in the first quarter of 2017.

Closing

36. The GB approved this Summary of Decisions.

Done at Barcelona, 1-2 December 2016

For the Governing Board



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Chair of the Governing Board

For the Secretariat

Romina Bemelmans
Secretary of the Governing Board

