



FUSION FOR ENERGY

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

THE GOVERNING BOARD

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS OF THE 34th 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 2015

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

Approval of the Agenda

1. The GB approved the agenda of its 34th meeting.

Written Procedures

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

Approval of the Minutes

3. The GB approved the minutes of its 32nd and 33rd meetings.

Reports from the Chairs

4. The GB noted the report from the Chair of the GB including the summary from the previous Bureau meeting.
5. The GB noted the report from the Chair of the Procurement and Contracts Committee (PCC) including the meetings of 22 July, 29 September and 25 November 2015.
6. The GB noted the report from the Chair of the Technical Advisory Panel (TAP);
7. The GB noted the report from the Chair of the Administration and Management Committee (AMC).

Reports from F4E

8. The GB Noted a general Progress Report from F4E on the progress of the ITER and Broader Approach Projects and:
 - a. Commended F4E for the recent progress in many different areas;
 - b. Requested F4E to actively pursue with the ITER Organization (IO) the formation of Project Teams;
 - c. Stressed that priority must be put by F4E on meeting of the milestones established by the ITER Council (IC-17) for the years 2016 and 2017;
9. The GB noted the report from F4E on the implementation of the 2015 F4E Action Plan and:
 - a. Commended F4E for the transparent report and the encouraging progress on the implementation of the Action Plan involving staff across the organisation;
 - b. Stressed the importance of ensuring full cooperation with IO in the finalisation of a revised ITER baseline based on credible and transparent assumptions;
 - c. Recalled that the optimal and efficient use of resources is key for the success of the cooperation between IO and the DAs;

ITER Cost and Schedule

10. The GB noted a report from Euratom on the outcome of the ITER Council meeting of 18-19 November 2015 and recommended F4E to keep the Bureau timely informed about the achievement of F4E's related milestones and associated risks.

ITER Buildings

11. Took note of the report on progress on the Buildings presented by F4E and the presentations of the external assessors on Buildings and Architect Engineer role in the frame of the assessment exercise launched by the Acting Director.

ITER Vacuum Vessel

12. The GB noted a status report presentation from F4E's Head of the Vacuum Vessel Project Team.

Fourth Annual Assessment of F4E

13. The GB Noted the Assessors Reports to the Council and to the GB. The GB welcomed the overall positive assessment, and in particular the actions taken in response of the previous year's assessment.

Specific Reports from F4E

14. The GB noted the status of Major Contracts, Procurement and Related Risks.
15. The GB noted the status of the Implementation of the 2014 and 2015 Budgets.
16. The GB noted the status of Planning, Monitoring and Reporting Systems.

Operational Matters

17. The GB adopted the 2nd Amendments to the 2015 Work Programme and Budget.
18. The GB adopted the 2016 Work Programme and Budget.
19. The GB noted the preliminary 2017 Work Programme.
20. The GB adopted the 2015 Edition of the Resource Estimates Plan and Project Plan and agreed to establish the end of October as the deadline for the payment of the annual contributions by the members.
21. The GB adopted the Staff Policy Plan and asked F4E to report on gender distribution by grade and role.
22. The GB adopted the revised Financial Regulation and Implementing Rules with entry into force subject to Commissions approval.

Update on F4E Office Premises

23. The GB noted the information from F4E and the Host State.

Policy Matters

24. The GB noted the updated geographical distribution of grants and contracts.

Audit Matters

25. The GB endorsed the 2016 Annual Audit Plan of the Internal Audit Capability (IAC).

26. The GB noted the European Parliament's decision in respect of the implementation of the F4E's budget for the financial year 2013 and F4E's reply thereto.
27. The GB noted the reports from the European Court of Auditors on the 2014 Annual Accounts.

Committee Matters

28. Upon the proposal of Euratom, the GB appointed Mr Joaquín Sánchez as the Chair of the GB with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years.
29. Upon the proposal of Euratom, the GB appointed Mr Martin Cox as the Vice Chair of the GB and Chair of the AMC, subject to the reception of letter appointing him as a Member of the GB, with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years.
30. Upon the proposal of Euratom, the GB appointed Mr Gabriele Fioni as the Vice Chair of the GB and Chair of the TAP with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years.
31. The GB appointed Mr Herkko Plit as the Chair of the PCC with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years.
32. Upon proposal of the Acting Director, the GB appointed Mr Brian Grey as the Chair of the Audit Committee (AC) with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years.
33. The GB appointed Mr Noud Oomens as the Vice Chair of the TAP with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years;
34. The GB appointed Mr Michael Stötzel as the Vice Chair of the AMC with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years;
35. The GB appointed Mr Alberto Fernandez as Member of the AC with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years;
36. The GB appointed Mr Ugo Bollettini, Mr Karel Cervenka, Ms Lisbeth Grønberg, Ms Clotilde Hannetel, Mr Victor Rodrigo and Ms Catherine Soltane as PCC Members with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years;
37. The GB appointed Mr Renaud Bourdy, Mr Walter Fietz, Ms Macarena Liniers, Mr Artur Malaquias, Mr Giuseppe Mazzone and Mr Dimitry Terentiev as TAP Members with effect from 1 January 2016 for a term of two years;
38. The GB agreed to take measures in order to allow that in the future the Commission informs in writing about its proposal of Chairs and Vice Chairs of the GB in advance of the meeting.

F4E's Working Language

39. The GB Decided to adopt English as the working language of F4E.

Any Other Business

40. The GB thanked Pietro Barabaschi for his outstanding work and contributions during his period as acting F4E Director.
41. The GB thanked Cor Katerberg for his effort and contributions as Vice-Chair of the GB and Chair of the AMC.

Future Meetings

42. The GB decided that the dates of the next GB meetings shall be communicated at a later stage.

Closing

43. The GB approved this summary of decisions.

Done at Barcelona, 2nd December 2015

For the Governing Board



Joaquin Sanchez
Chair of the Governing Board

For the Secretariat

Romina Bemelmans
Secretary of the Governing Board

