

## **FUSION FOR ENERGY**

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

THE GOVERNING BOARD

## SUMMARY OF DECISIONS OF THE 22<sup>nd</sup> MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN JOINT UNDERTAKING FOR ITER AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF FUSION ENERGY ('FUSION FOR ENERGY')

Barcelona, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2012

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

- Approved the agenda of its  $22^{nd}$  meeting.
- Approved the minutes of its 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.
- Taken note of information from the GB Chair and Euratom.
- Taken note of information from the F4E Director:
  - Expressed concern about the cost risks of the in-kind contributions to ITER facing F4E in the near term.
  - Noted the impact of the risks on F4E's contingency and requested the F4E Director to propose measures to rebuild the contingency.
  - Noted that in some areas, including the Vacuum Vessel and Buildings, F4E and its contractors are waiting for information from the ITER International Organisation.
    - Invited the GB Chair to forward its concerns to the Chair of the ITER Council and the F4E Director to do the same with the ITER Director General.
  - Invited the Executive Committee (ExCo) to propose how F4E could systematically collect data concerning the geographic distribution of contract and grant work.
- Noted of a presentation on F4E's Project Management Systems, welcomed the progress made and noted F4E's intention to complete its implementation by June 2012, in particular, the reporting system.
- Noted of the second report on the implementation of the recommendations of the GB's former Working Group on F4E Improvement.
- Adopted F4E's policy on Intellectual Property Rights and invited the ExCo to consider the rules proposed by F4E for its implementation in view of future adoption by the GB.
- Noted the multiannual Staff Policy Plan (2013 2015).

- Adopted the first amendment to the 2012 Work Programme on the understanding that F4E will:
  - Provide the GB with a quantification of the risks associated with commitments and payments of major contracts.
  - Seek prior approval of the ExCo for any individual contract amendments or contract price indexation that exceeds EUR 10 million.
- Endorsed the 2013 preliminary Work Programme and invited F4E to transmit it to the Commission.
- Adopted the first amendment to the 2012 Budget.
- Adopted an amendment to the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the Resource Estimates Plan.
- Approved the worldwide opening of the procurement of High Heat Flux testing of Faraday Screens and Enhanced Heat Flux testing of First Wall semi-prototypes.
- Noted information from the Chair of the Audit Committee and:
  - Noted that the administrative burden placed on F4E and grant beneficiaries for the management of grants was significant in comparison to their benefit.
  - Invited F4E, in consultation with ExCo and other stakeholders, to explore more efficient means of contracting research and development activities
- Noted the 2011 Annual Report of the Internal Auditor.
- Approved the charter of tasks and responsibilities of the F4E Accounting Officer and invited the Chair, F4E Director and Accounting Officer to sign it.
- Noted the 2011 provisional Annual Accounts.
- Appointed Euratom (represented by the European Commission) as Vice Chair of the ExCo for a term ending 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013.
- Appointed for a term ending 1st July 2013:
  - o André GROSMAN as Vice-Chair of the Technical Advisory Panel.
  - o Eric HOLLIS as Vice-Chair of the Administration and Finance Committee.
- Appointed Don-Pierre POMPEI as a member of the ExCo for a period of two years effective immediately.
- Renewed the appointment of the following Audit Committee members for a period of two years effective 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012: Jurij VON KREISLER, Jean-Marie HAENSEL and Thomas O'HANLON.

- Decided that the meetings of the F4E GB in 2012 will take place on:
  - o 21<sup>st</sup> May;
  - o 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> June;
  - o 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> December
- Approved the summary of decisions from the 22<sup>nd</sup> GB meeting.

Done at Barcelona, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2012

For the Governing Board

Stuart Ward Chair of the Governing Board