Summary on Parallel Session 2 / Hardware Issues

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1 PCDH document

what we liked

- that it exists: thanks to ITER IO
- that it improved rapidly Vs2->Vs3->Vs4 Xmas ??
- that we were invited to comment (even if our response was ... poor)

...PCDH document

what we would like

- specific EMC standards (EMC 89/336/EEC, EN 61000-3-2...6-2)
- specification of fusion environmental conditions (radiation, mag. field, heat rejection / ventilation,)
 - o also needed for HW analysis studies / selection procedure
- know about applicability of
 - referenced documents (ProjRqms, PltDscrDoc, EDH, ...) also valid; mutual priority
 - listed industry standards (scope, info<>enforced,...)
- structuring of open TBDs
 - prioritize TBDs <-> PCDH version, i.e. make PCDH-next.vs. forecast, with scope, decided TBDs (and modification history)
 - urgent HW : PLC, controller, fieldbus, dedicated networks,
- enough time to review / respond to new versions (...also valid for bid)
- condense PCDH;
- focus on needs, avoid solutions, as long as not adopted (1588, hardwired)

2 Hardware selection

what we liked

- that standardization will be an important issue; and we tried to understand
 - the specific ITER needes coming form in-kind procurement (35yrs..., > long-term maintenance / upgrading strategy)
 - the standard > non-conformity & obsolescence management escalation strategy
- that the choice will be limited*

...Hardware selection

what we would like

- that the choice will not be too much limited*
 - market-penetration of choice
 - clarify black box policy
 - how to handle proven / industrial solutions (complex equipment coming with own control logic): re-invent? (-> cost, risk)
 - a statement how to handle property rights of embedded knowledge
 - o clarify how to handle technical evolution
 - evolution of preferred / recommended lists
 - regular modernization & maintenance contracts vs. administration of outdated? HW
 - ? ongoing obsolescence management discussion within ITER (CODAC/PCDH -> ProjectOffice/DA document)
- a transparent selection procedure
 - communicate selection criteria; leave fusion community time to respond, explain result

- DA-wide framework contracts for chosen components
 - o make sure all EU suppliers get same best price
 - o who pays for bad choice ?