



FUSION FOR ENERGY

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

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS OF THE 59th MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN JOINT UNDERTAKING FOR ITER AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF FUSION ENERGY ('FUSION FOR ENERGY')

Cadarache, 6-7 July 2023

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

Adoption of the Agenda and Minutes

1. Approved the agenda of its 59th meeting.
2. Agreed to note and approve *en bloc* items that have been scrutinised by the subsidiary committees to streamline the GB agenda and dedicate time to strategic, critical, or urgent matters.
3. Noted the minutes of its 57th and 58th meeting as approved by written procedure.
4. Noted the written procedures carried out since the last meeting.

Report from the F4E Director

5. The GB welcomed the first report from the new Director of F4E.

Reports from the Chairs

6. Noted reports on recent meetings from the Chairs of the Bureau, Administration and Management Committee (AMC), Technical Advisory Panel (TAP), Procurement and Contracts Committee (PCC) and the Audit Committee (AC).
7. The Governing Board noted the following documents:
 - a) Status of Action Plans Implementation.
 - b) Status of Corporate Governance Actions Implementation.
 - c) Schedule performance improvement strategy.
 - d) Booklet on status of F4E Programmes.
 - e) Update on Risk and Opportunity Management.
 - f) Estimate at Completion (EAC).
 - g) Cost evolution of major contracts.
 - h) Geographical distribution of procurements and grants 2022.
 - i) Status of Commitments and Payments.
 - j) Consolidated Annual Activity Report 2022.
 - k) People dashboard.
8. The GB:
 - a) Adopted the 2nd Amendment to the 2023 Budget.

- b) Adopted the 1st Amendment to the 2023 Work Programme.
- c) Approved the planning and key assumptions for the 2025-2029 Single Programming Document (SPD).
- d) Approved the indicators for the 2024-2028 SPD.
- e) Adopted the assessment of the 2022 Consolidated Annual Activity Report.
- f) Provided a positive opinion on the 2022 Final Annual Accounts, subject to the final opinion of the European Court of Auditors. If the accounts are changed or the opinion qualified, the AC, AMC and GB will adopt their position by written procedure.
- g) Approved the revised 2023 IAC Annual Plan.
- h) Approved the updated mandate for the GB Advisor for administrative decisions and asked the AMC Chair to continue in this role until the end of 2023.
- i) Appointed Anne Montagnon and Salah Dib as new members of the AMC. The GB invited all members to express their interest in the nomination of new members of the AMC.

Report from Euratom

- 9. The GB noted the report from Euratom on the following matters:
 - a) Outcome of the last ITER MAC (MAC-35) and Council (IC-32) meetings.
 - b) Status of the 2024 EU Budget Procedure.
 - c) Status of prospective participation of Switzerland and UK to F4E activities.

Forecast of F4E's budget surplus and way forward

- 10. The GB noted a presentation on the forecast of F4E's budget surplus until the end of the current Multiannual Financial Framework.

Industrial Working Group: Final Report and Recommendations

- 11. The GB welcomed the report of the Industrial Policy Working Group and praised its Chair, members and F4E and external experts involved for their insights and contributions.
- 12. The GB endorsed the recommendations and asked F4E to start implementation and inform the GB in December 2023 on the progress made.

IO-F4E Integration Strategy and Outline Plan

- 13. The GB noted the status of the IO-F4E integration actions.

F4E DONES Work Programme

- 14. The GB noted the F4E assessment on the possible F4E contribution to the DONES Programme.

Next Meetings

- 15. The GB confirmed that its next meeting will take place on 4-5 December 2023 in Barcelona and tentatively identified 11-12 July 2024 (TBC).

Any other business

16. The GB bid farewell to Gebhard Leidenfrost, thanking him for the constructive collaboration with the GB throughout his tenure as Head of F4E's Commercial Department / CFO.

Closing

17. The GB approved its summary of decisions.

Done in Cadarache, 7 July 2023

For the Governing Board

[Signed electronically in IDM]

Carlos Alejandre

Chair of the Governing Board