



**FUSION  
FOR  
ENERGY**

# **EU-ITER: Status and Opportunities**

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**BRINGING  
THE POWER  
OF THE SUN  
TO EARTH**



**Fusion for Energy receives  
funding from the  
European Union budget**

- **New F4E Director**
- **The context for EU fusion industry involvement**
- **German participation to date**
- **How to access F4E opportunities**
- **How to be competitive**
- **Upcoming opportunities**



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Double degree in Engineering from Ecole Centrale de Lyon in partnership with the Catalan ETSEIB and an MBA from ESADE

27 years of his career working in the EDF Group (Électricité de France) as:

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- Group Proc. Coordinator and Global Sourcing
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- Deputy Head of Dept. for Nuclear Proc.
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- Supply Chain Control Director of EDF New Build nuclear projects

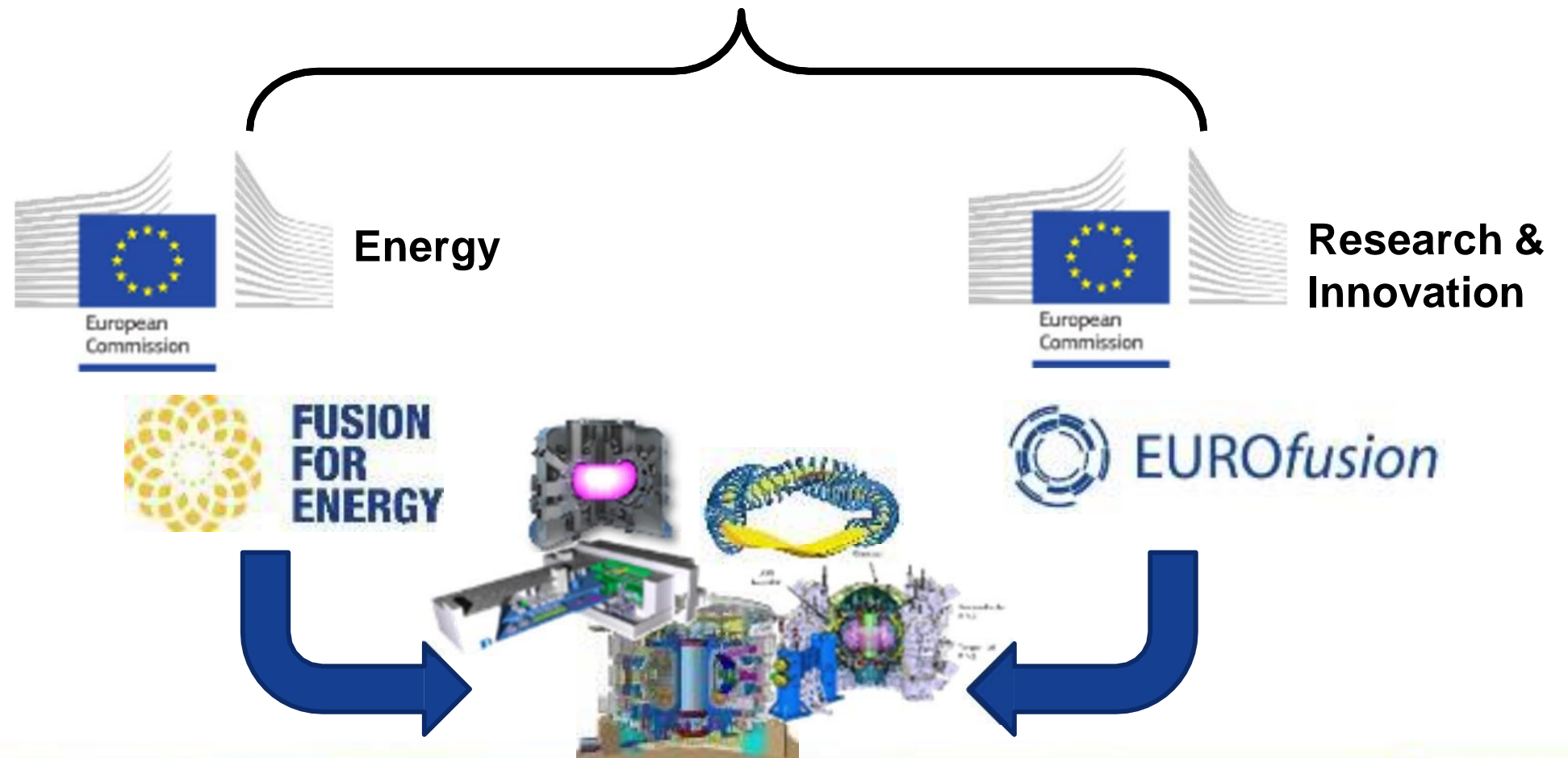
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# F4E - The European Domestic Agency for ITER

- ▶ **EU public organisation** set up in 2007 for 35 years
- ▶ **Headquarter:** Barcelona, Spain  
**Offices:** Cadarache, France  
Garching, Germany  
Rokkasho, Japan
- ▶ **Staff:** 435 (mostly engineers)
- ▶ **Budget:** B€ 12+ in 2007-2027 for ITER construction (2008 values)



# Fusion in Europe: Two Main Pillars (+1)



# Fusion in Europe: Industrial Involvement



~3.5 billion EUR  
(2022-2027)



# Fusion in Europe: Industrial Involvement



5+ Billion EUR  
(2020 – 2027)





## ITER: Burning Plasma



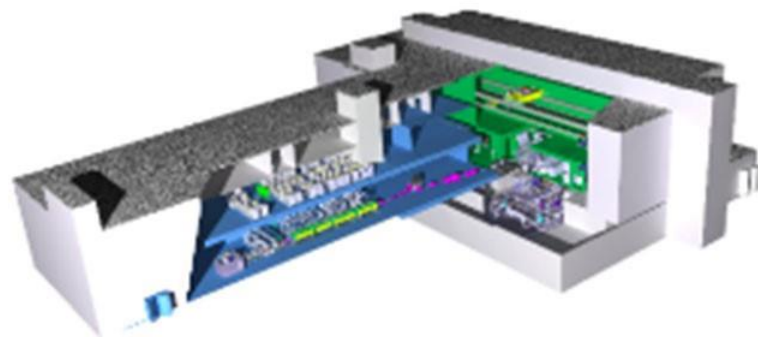
Responsible for Europe's  
contribution to ITER

## BROADER APPROACH



Working with Japan  
on satellite fusion projects

## DONES: Materials Testing



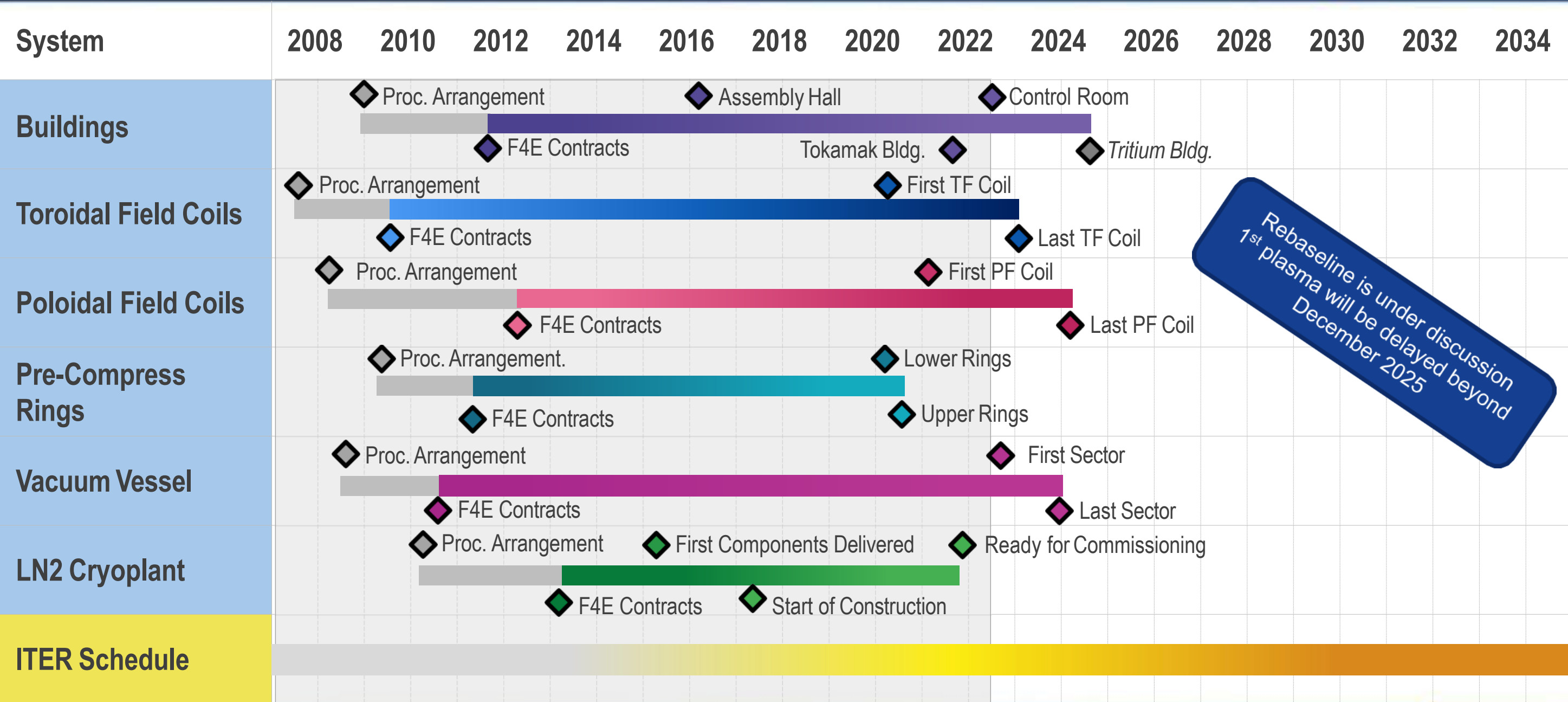
Contributing to design & construction  
Demo Orientated NEutron Source

## DEMO: Continuous Power



Preparing to build power-generating  
Demonstration Fusion Reactor

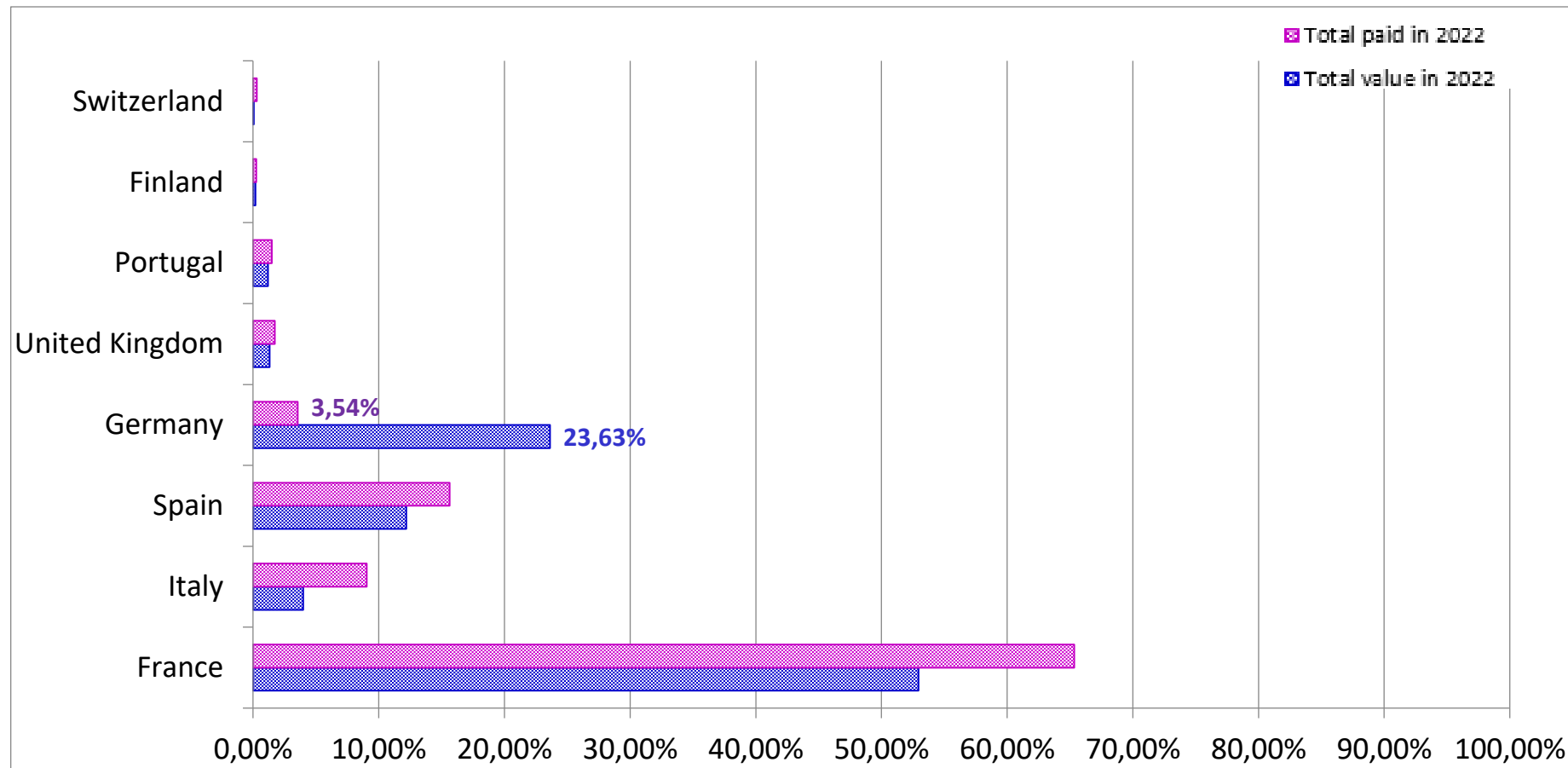
# EU First Plasma Systems Status



Rebaseline is under discussion  
 1<sup>st</sup> plasma will be delayed beyond  
 December 2025

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# 2022 Awards and Payments



# Deutschlands Beitrag



**Cryotherm GmbH & Co KG:**  
Cryogenics



**Rolf Kind GmbH:**  
Steel.



**Research Instruments GmbH:**  
Divertor vertical inner target



**ATLAS COPCO ENERGAS, :**  
Compressor stations for cryogenic materials



**Wilhelm Schulz GmbH, Krefeld:**  
Pipes and fittings for tokamak cooling water system



**Forschungszentrum Jülich:**  
R&D on laser-induced desorption of beryllium co-deposits



**Karlsruhe Institute for Technology:**  
Design of electron cyclotron upper Launcher  
Material characterization at cryogenic temperatures



**Saarschmiede GmbH, Völklingen:**  
EUROFER-97 plates for test blanket modules



**Diamond Material, Freiburg:**  
Diamond disks for electron cyclotron heating system



**M+W:**  
Civil engineering, nuclear buildings



**Bruker:**  
Superconductivity and superconductor magnets



**Dockweiler AG, Neustadt-Glewe:**  
Prototype of blanket cooling manifold



**Witzenmann GmbH, Pforzheim:**  
Contributes to tokamak cooling water system



**NKM Noell Special Cranes, Veitshöchheim**  
(together with REEL S.A.S., France):  
Overhead cranes to assemble tokamak



**Himmelwerk GmbH, Tübingen:**  
Four radio frequency generators



**Max-Planck-Institute for Plasma Physics, Garching:**  
Final design of plasma control systems for First Plasma operations  
Experiment for the development of the neutral beam heating systems (ELISE)



**Acentrix GmbH, München:**  
Customization of 3D engineering and design software



**Siemens AG, München:**  
High voltage power supply units for neutral beam injector

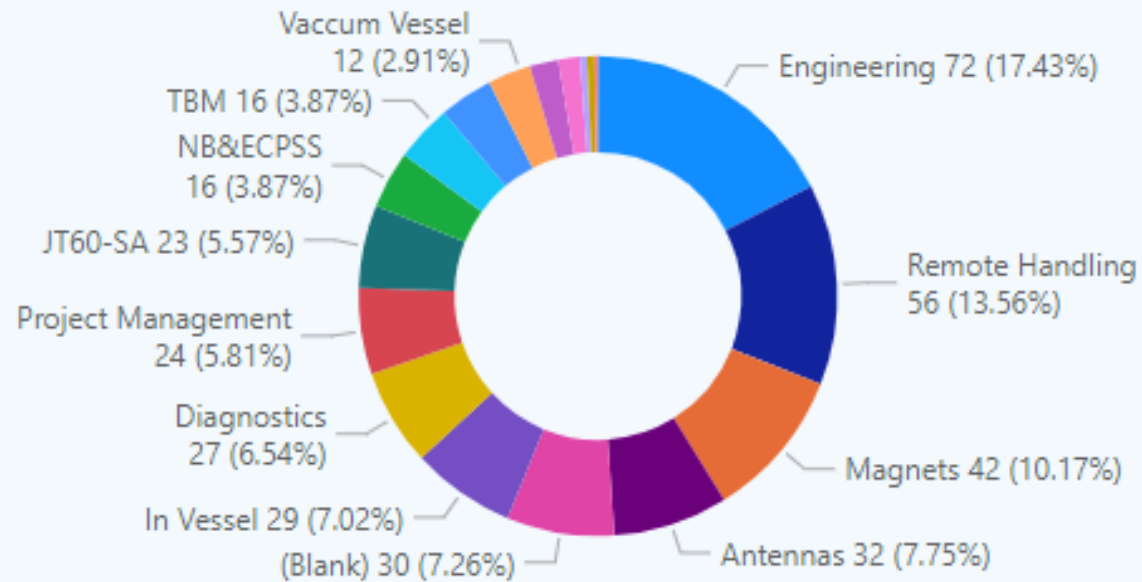


**Kraftanlagen Heidelberg GmbH**  
Engineering, nuclear buildings

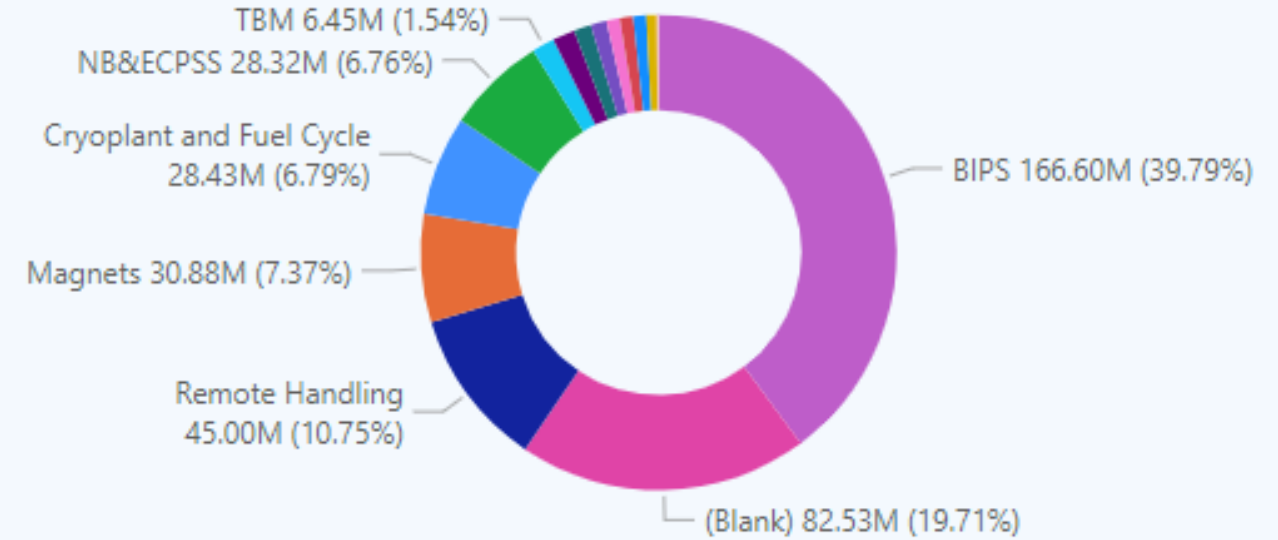


# Deutsche Beauftragungen nach Programmen

## Signed Contracts & Task Orders per Project Team



## Value of signed Contracts & Task Orders per Project Team



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- EU General Financial Regulations

- Key principles:

- Transparency
- Equal treatment
- Widest Competition for best quality and price
- Proportionality
- Sound financial management: economy, efficiency and effectiveness





**Objective 1: Deliver the European contributions to ITER and BA within budget and schedule, making best use of potential and capabilities of all members**

**Objective 2: Broaden European industrial base for fusion technology for long-term development of fusion as energy source, to ensure strong and competitive European participation in the future fusion market**

**Objective 3: Foster European innovation and competitiveness in key emerging technologies to further the development of the Innovation Union and its impact at the international level**



### F4E CALLS WORKSPACE

 [Search & register for calls](#)

[ITER Calls for nomination](#)

[Administrative procurement](#)

[Key Reference Documents](#)

### LATEST CALLS

22 January 2020 - 28 February 2020

> [F4E-OMF-1048](#)

Service Framework Contract for a Logistic Provider for Broader Approach

### Welcome to the F4E Industry and Fusion Laboratories Portal


## Important!

As of 1 November 2018, all tenders to F4E must be submitted via the [E-submission tool](#).

Having your Company registered in the Partners Database is not sufficient to submit a tender. For doing so your Company must be registered in the E-submission tool at least 48 hours before the submission deadline of the tender.

For further information, please consult the following tutorials [Supplier registration](#) and [How to submit a tender?](#)

### PARTNERS DATABASE

 [Get an account](#)

[ILO National Initiatives](#)

[ILO Access](#)

[Intellectual Property](#)

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- Electronic submission of tenders:
  - **EU-Supply**: safe, confidential, user friendly, efficient
- Electronic implementation of the tender procedure:
  - Procurement documentation
  - All communication pre and post-submission

RFT 261802 - F4E-ADM-1136 - Provision of Company Ratings and Reports on Commercial, Economic and Financial Information

Instructions

To submit response:

Please allow some time for sending of your response.  
We recommend testing submission before the deadline.  
After clicking 'Submit response' you will be required to verify yourself by enter your user name and password.  
Evaluate the risk of potential interference (Internet connection speed, Internet connection failure, power failure, change of computerized workplace settings, etc.).

[Detailed Instructions](#)

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INDUSTRIAL POLICY

CALLS

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CONTACT

HELP

## ILO NATIONAL INITIATIVES

A network of Industrial Liaison Officers (ILOs) from different European countries works together with F4E to raise awareness regarding funding schemes and ways to get involved in the ITER project. A series of information days and seminars are planned throughout the year to report on the roadmap of the different procurement packages and facilitate partnerships between companies.

This page is dedicated to the ILOs National Initiatives; it is meant to highlight the upcoming events throughout the year and thus increase the bond between F4E, the ILO Network and all economic operators from different European countries.

Key reference document: List of ILO contacts [List of Contacts - F4E ILOs](#)

### Germany - ILO Contact

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Upcoming Events 



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- Majority of calls only **accessible to F4E Members** (EU for the moment)
- No “lowest bid wins” – vast majority of calls awarded by **best-value-for-money** (usual price weight 50-60%)
- **Consortia** can be as competitive as single tenders ... but need extra attention
- **Subcontractors** can (and should) be key enablers

- 14 years with fusion supply chain
- 750+ contracts
- 4.9 BEUR value
- 450+ contractors
- 182 consortia
- 1000+ subcontractors



- **Different business models can be successful, but skill-centric often leading**

## Be agile

- Project boundaries can and will change
- Your role, scope may change

## Think lateral

- First-of-a-kind means not all risks can be identified
- Consider B-plans, make them possible

## Show a clear value proposition

- Best value for money
- Ensure you address award criteria
- Highlight added value wherever it is

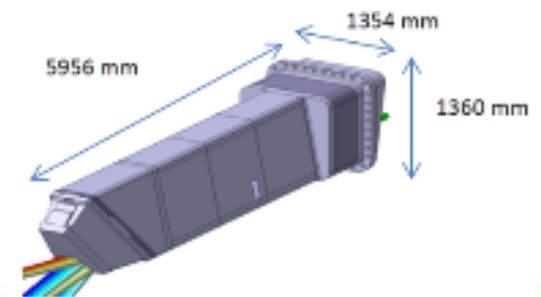
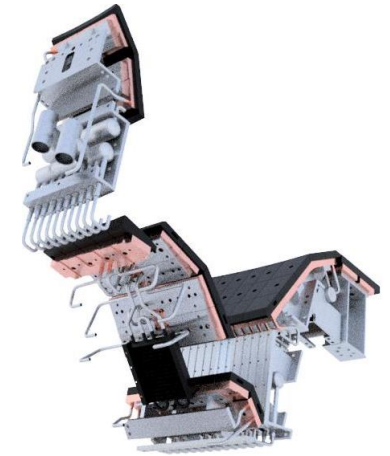
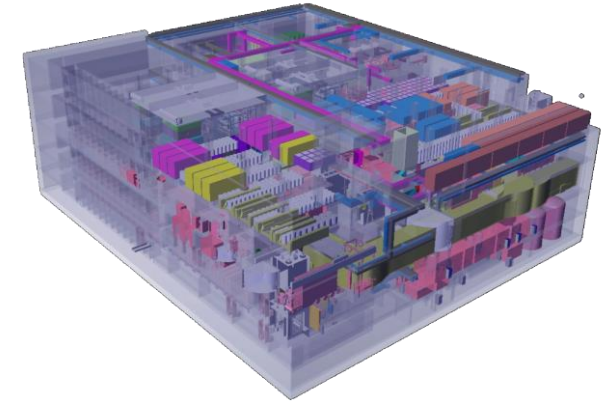


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# Upcoming opportunities (Q3-Q4 2023)



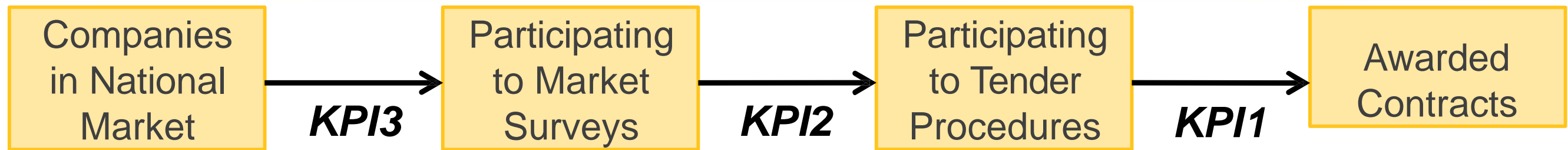
- Buildings
  - Architect Engineer 2 (July 2023)
  - Diesel generators (Q3 2023)
  - Hot Cell Complex, engineering activities (TBD)
- In-Vessel components
  - Integration of JT60 actively cooled divertor
- Diagnostics
  - Manufacturing, Assembly, Testing and Delivery of Diagnostics Ports for ITER (Q4 2023)
- Additional info available end-June through ILO



A wide-angle photograph of a large-scale construction site at dusk. The sky is a mix of blue and orange. In the foreground, a worker wearing a blue hard hat and a high-visibility yellow vest with 'FISWH FOR ENERGY' on the back stands with their back to the camera, looking out over the site. The middle ground is filled with various construction materials, including stacks of rebar, concrete blocks, and a white truck. In the background, several tall cranes are positioned around a large, multi-story building under construction. A semi-transparent blue rectangle is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text 'Thank You' in a bold, yellow font.

**Thank You**

# Participation and Competitiveness Indicators



$$KPI1 = \frac{\text{relative success in F4E tender procedures}}{\text{relative participation to F4E tender procedures}}$$

$$KPI2 = \frac{\text{relative participation to F4E tender procedures}}{\text{relative participation to F4E market outreach}}$$

$$KPI3 = \frac{\text{relative participation to F4E market outreach}}{\text{relative capacity of the national industry}}$$

Member State	KPI1 2018- 2020	KPI1 2021	Variation KPI1	KPI2 2018- 2020	KPI2 2021	Variation KPI2	KPI3 2018- 2020	KPI3 2021	Variation KPI3	KPI 2018- 2020
Germany	1.34	1.21	-0.13	0.75	0.96	+0.22	0.30	0.17	-0.12	0.30