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RF components for the upper launcher

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RI Fusion projects (running contracts)

RI in a nutshell:

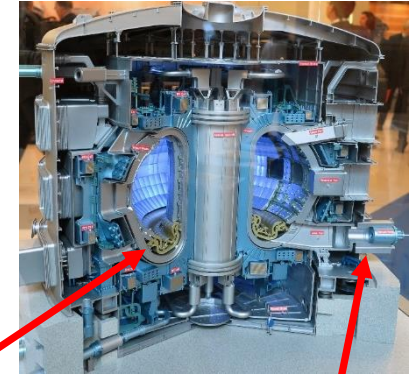
- Located in Bergisch Gladbach
- 340 employees
 - 130 physicist/engineers
 - 160 manufacturing specialists
- Production of high-tech components and systems for Big Science (Accelerator, Fusion) and Industry (Semicon)



8x Valve boxes: delivery in May 2023



IVT Series Contract:
Start of the fabrication in 2024



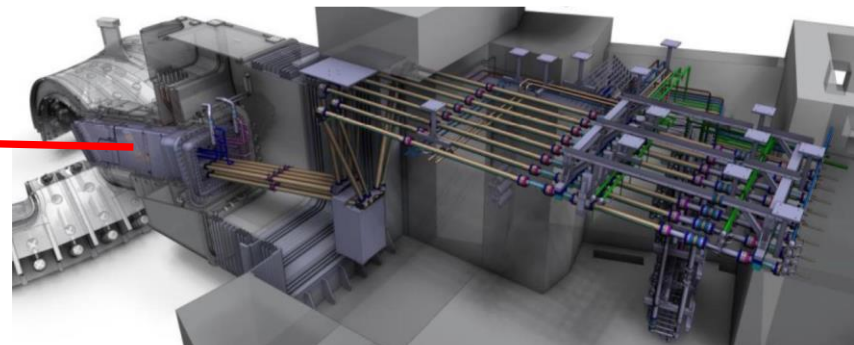
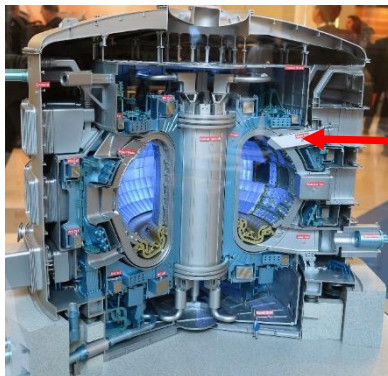
Cryopumps (consortium with ALSYMEX):
delivery of the 1st pump in 2023

RF components for upper launcher

Consortium RI/TBB has received a contract from consortium IDOM/ALSYMEX



- The upper launcher is part of the microwave heating system of ITER
- In 2022 the IDOM/ALSYMEX consortium had won a tender from F4E on the upper launcher production
- Part of the upper launcher project is the design and production of RF components which transfer the RF power generated at gyrotrons into the plasma of ITER
- RI together with Tiefbohrbär (TBB) a Swiss company specialized on deep drilling have now won the contract for design and production of those waveguide components



- German BGTB (Beratene Gesellschaft für Tiefbohren, Dortmund, Germany) and DAES (Switzerland) will contribute as subcontractors of RI/TBB

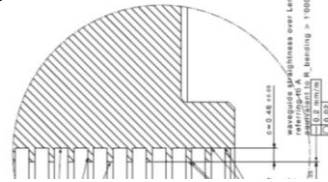
Content of the contract

Design of the RF components

- First confinement
- Earthquake safety calculations
- Thermal, mechanical and RF analysis, assembly strategy and tool design

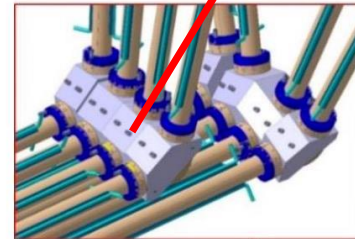
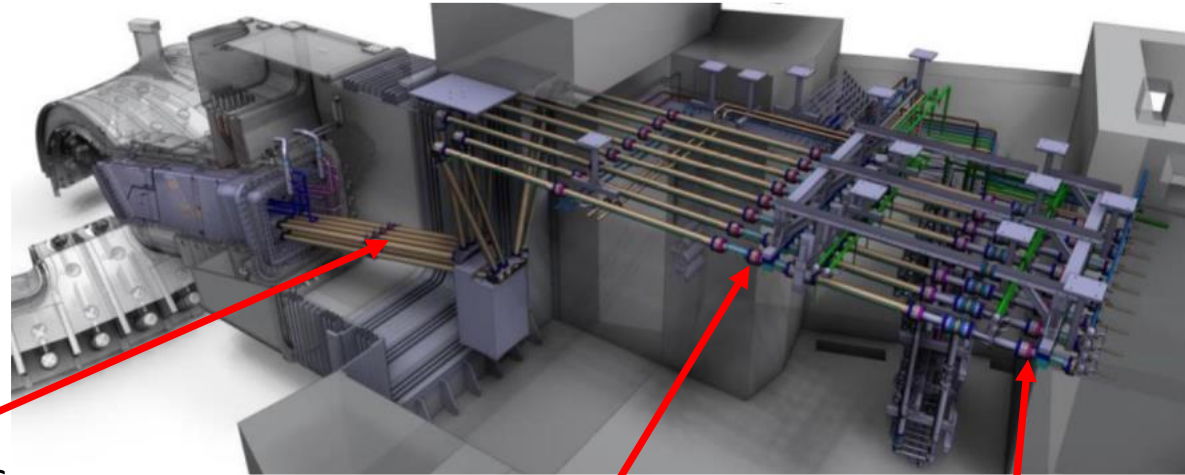
Production

- 800 m corrugated waveguides
- 115 miter bends
- 50 diamond windows

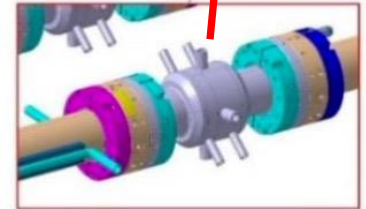


“corrugations”

(0.46 mm grooves in 0.6 mm period)



Miter bends



Diamond windows