Highlights from the ITER Preparatory Committee Meeting in Goa, India

Presented to

The Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

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ITER Organization Management Positions

- With DG (Ikeda) and PDDG (Holtkamp) positions filled, Parties agreed to 6 more DDG positions.
 - Environment, Safety, QA, Licensing
 - Administration
 - Fusion Science and Technology
 - Tokamak
 - Engineering (non-Tokamak systems)
 - Controls, Diagnostics, Heating
- DDG candidates were due by end of May. Selections to be announced in Cadarache, July.

ITER Credit

- U.S. urged that all Parties should begin receiving credit for work performed in support of ITER construction. Such credit is relative to each Party's construction contribution specified in the ITER Agreement.
- Parties agreed that such credit will be provided from April 2006 forward for personnel, cash and new design/R&D tasks.

Test Blanket Module (TBM) Program for ITER

- TBMs are to be provided via Parties' base programs; they have never been included within the ITER construction scope or cost estimate.
- TBMs are to be added to ITER to provide insight on tritium breeding technology starting on "day one" of the research phase.
- Issues of sharing the access, data, and TBM/facility costs require resolution as does mode of collaboration.
- An ad hoc higher level committee of technical and Party experts will address the issues and recommend resolution. Schedule for this will be addressed at IPC meeting in July at Cadarache.