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The ITER Project Construction Status

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The ITER Project has visibly made its transition to the construction phase in the two years since the last Fusion Energy Conference in San Diego. By mid-February 2014 commitments to in-kind procurement are approaching 89.6 percentage of the total credit value and 70.7 percentage (99 out of 140) in the number of Procurement Arrangements. Construction is accelerating and the appearance of the site is changing on a daily basis. Vigorous efforts are underway to mitigate some remaining organizational problems, including the alignment of the ITER Organization (IO) and 7 Domestic Agencies (DAs), minimizing any possible delay factor. The seven Parties are well committed to the construction of ITER. The ITER project has gone beyond the turning point. This fact should be understood and shared. We only can go forward together.

The total progress being made is so enormous that it is impossible to do justice to everything in a single presentation. Therefore, the buildings, the core tokamak and some of the balance of plant will be reported on here. Most ancillary systems ranging from heating and current drive systems, diagnostics and fuelling systems to remote handling and the hot cell facility are in an advanced state of design. Their status will have to be reported at another time. The same is true of both the integration and assembly efforts.

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