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ANNEX 1

MODEL CONTRACT

SERVICE CON	$\Gamma D \wedge C T$

between

THE EUROPEAN JOINT UNDERTAKING FOR ITER AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF FUSION ENERGY

and

[•]

F4E[•]

CONTRACT NUMBER – [complete]

The	European	Joint	Undert	aking	for	ITER	and	the	Development	of	Fusion	Energy	("Fusion	for
Ene	rgy"), repre	esented	l by [•]	[name	in fi	ull, fun	ction	, dep	partment],					

of the one part,

and

[official name in full]

[official legal form]

[statutory registration number]

[registered address in full]

[VAT registration number]

(the "Contractor"), represented for the purposes of the signature of this contract by [name in full, function]

of the other part,

hereinafter also individually referred to as "Party" and collectively as "Parties";

HAVING REGARD to Council Decision 2007/198/EURATOM of 27 March 2007 establishing the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy and conferring advantages upon it (the "Fusion for Energy Council Decision"),

HAVING REGARD to the Agreement on the Establishment of the ITER International Fusion Energy Organisation for the Joint Implementation of the ITER Project² (the "ITER Agreement"),

HAVE AGREED

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¹ OJ L 90 of 30.3.2007, p. 58

² OJ L 358 of 16.12.2006, p. 62

the Special Conditions and General Conditions below and the following Annexes and Applicable Documents:

Annexes

Annex A – Management Specifications (IDM reference [*])

Annex B – Technical Specifications (IDM reference [*])

Annex C - Intellectual Property (IP) Provisions

Annex D - Declaration of the Contractor's Background

[Annex E – Terms of Reference for the Use of the Designated Carrier] [N/A]

Annex F – Terms of Reference on Mediation

Annex G - Contractor's Tender

Annex H – Power of Attorney

Annex I – Rules for Submitting Claims

Applicable documents

The following documents, not attached hereto but known to the Parties, apply to the Contract:

AD	Document title	Reference	Version/Date
AD01	Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements (F4E-QA-115)	F4E_D_22F8BJ	[xxx]
AD02	Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the ITER International Fusion Energy Organization for the Joint Implementation of the ITER Project	INFCIRC/703	2006-11-21
AD03	Pre-Financing Guarantee Form	F4E_D_25RYM2	[xxx]
AD04	Declaration Regarding Nuclear Liability of the ITER IO	[xxx]	[xxx]
AD05	Insurance Certificates	[xxx]	[xxx]
AD06	Form for declaration of Foreground Intellectual Property	[xxx]	[xxx]
AD07	Model Transportation Contract	[xxx]	[xxx]
AD08	Common Site Rules on Assembly and Installation/General Management Specifications for Executing Entities at the ITER Site		
AD09	Performance Guarantee Form	F4E_D_29AKK7	[xxx]
AD10	Supplier Nuclear Safety Management Requirements (F4E-QA-113)		
AD11	F4E Health and Safety Policy F4E_D_282GG4		

I. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

I.1. **DEFINITIONS**

Calendar Year

Conflict of Interest

Contract

I.1.1. Capitalised terms throughout the Special Conditions and General Conditions have the meaning below.

Acceptance Has the meaning set forth in Article Error!

Reference source not found..1 (Acceptance).

Acceptance Data Package (ADP)

Is defined in Applicable Document AD01
(Supplier Project Management and Quality)

Requirements).

Amendment Has the meaning set forth in Article II.244

(Amendments and Deviations).

to make a machine, product or component consitituting an integrated and functional whole. Installation is the putting in place a machine, product, component or sub-assembly, connecting

its interfaces and making it ready for use.]

Background Has the meaning set forth in Section 1.4 of

Annex C (*Intellectual Property Provisions*). Means the one-year period that begins on 01

January and ends on 31 December.

Claim

Any request, other than a Deviation Request, made by the Contractor for an additional payment and/or an extension of time to which the Contractor considers to be entitled to under the

Contract.

Commencement Date

Is the date of entry into force of the Contract as set out in Article I.4.1 (Entry into Force and

Duration).

Confidential Information Means, for the purpose of Article II.23

(*Confidentiality*), any information or documents which are linked to performance of the Contract.

Means a situation where the impartial and objective performance of the Contract by the Contractor is compromised for reasons involving family, emotional life, political or national affinity, economic interest, any other direct or indirect personal interest or any other shared interest with Fusion for Energy or any third party related to the subject matter of the Contract.

Is this contract and its Annexes and Applicable

Documents.

Contract Price Has the meaning set forth in Article I.5 (*Prices*).

Corrective Action Is defined in Applicable Document AD01

(Supplier Project Management and Quality

Requirements).

Cost Means all expenditure reasonably incurred (or to

be incurred) by the Contractor for the performance of the Contract, including overhead and similar

charges, but not including profit.

Data Controller Means the Fusion for Energy officer responsible

for processing personal data with respect to the

Contract in accordance with Article II.11

(Processing of Personal Data).

Data Protection Officer Means the Fusion for Energy officer designated

to perform the duties assigned to it by Regulation

(EU) No 2018/1725³.

Day(s)Means calendar day(s), unless otherwise defined.DeliverableIs defined in Applicable Document AD01

(Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements). The list of deliverables is identified in Section [include reference] of Annex

B (Technical Specification).

[Designated Carrier Means "DAHER INTERNATIONAL", a company

incorporated under the laws of France, registered in Marseille under no. 068 803 005, having its registered office at 10 place la Joliette

13667 Marseille Cedex 2 (France).]

Deviation Amendment and Contract Means the electronic platform developed by **Modifications Portal (DACC)** Fusion for Energy for managing deviations,

Fusion for Energy for managing deviations, amendments and Contract changes with Contractors and to process commercial operations in accordance with the Contract (e.g. release of Options, Indexation). Signature in in DACC is

legally binding.

Deviation Means a permission to depart from the specified

Contract requirement prior to its realization. A Deviation Request is issued by the Contactor. A Deviation Notice and a Deviation Order are issued by Fusion for Energy. A Deviation Notice must be followed by a Deviation Order to be enforceable.

Means any disagreement, difference, or controversy of whatever nature, in connection with the Contract during or after its

implementation.

Dissemination Has the meaning set forth in Section 1.6 of

Annex C (Intellectual Property Provisions).

Domestic Agency Means a legal entity through which a member of

the ITER IO provides its contribution to the ITER IO as referred to in Article 8(4) of the ITER

Agreement.

Dual-use ItemsHas the meaning set out by Council Regulation

(EU/2021/821) of 20 May 2021 setting up the European Union regime for the control of exports, brokering, technical assistance, transit and transfer of dual-use items and is governed by Article

II.25.1 (Export Control Requirements).

European Public Prosecutor's Office

(EPPO)

Dispute

Has the meaning set out by Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 of 12 October 2017 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's

³ Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC, OJ L 295/39, 21.11.2018 <a href="https://eurlex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2016.119.01.0001.01.ENG;https://eurlex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32002D1247&from=EN

Exporter

Fair and Reasonable Conditions

Financial Regulation

Final Acceptance

Force Majeure

Foreground

Fraud

Fusion for Energy Documentation Management System

Information

Intellectual Property

Office.

Has the meaning set forth in Article 2.3 of the Council Regulation EC/428/2009 of 05 May 2009 setting up a Community regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering, and transit of Dualuse Items.

Has the meaning set forth in Section 1.3 of Annex C (*Intellectual Property Provisions*).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.07.2018, p. 1 to which article 89 of the Fusion for Energy Financial Regulation refers. Means acceptance of Deliverable [Identification of relevant Deliverable] as per Section [•] of Annex B (Technical Specifications).

Means any unforeseeable and exceptional situation or event beyond the control of the Parties which prevents any of them from performing any of their obligations under the Contract and which (i) was not due to error or negligence on their part or on the part of a Subcontractor, and (ii) could not have been avoided or overcome by the exercise of due diligence. Defects in, or delays in availability of, equipment or material, labour disputes, strikes, or financial problems cannot be invoked as Force Majeure, unless they stem directly from a relevant case of Force Majeure.

Has the meaning set forth in Section 1.5 of Annex C (*IP Provisions*).

An act or omission committed in order to make an unlawful gain for the perpetrator or another by causing a loss to the Eurpopean Union's financial interests, and relating to: i) the use or presentation of false, incorrect or incomplete statements or documents, which has as its effect the misappropriation or wrongful retention of funds or assets from the European Union budget, ii) the non-disclosure of information in violation of a specific obligation, with the same effect or iii) the misapplication of such funds or assets for purposes other than those for which they were originally granted, which damages the Union's financial interests

Has the meaning set forth in Applicable Document AD01 (Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements).

Has the meaning set forth in Section 1.2 of Annex C (*Intellectual Property Provisions*).

Has the meaning set forth in Section 1.1 of

Irregularity

ITER Agreement ITER Annex on Information and **Intellectual Property** [ITER Immunities and Privileges Agreement

ITER IO **Kick-Off Meeting**

[Mission

[Mission Statement

Nonconformity

Notice of Referral

[Options **Party**

[Performance Guarantee

[Pre-financing Payment

Professional Conflicting Interest

Project Manager

[Protection Important Activity (PIA)

[Protection Important Component (PIC)

Referral Notice

Release Note

Remedial Action

Annex C (Intellectual Property Provisions).

Means any infringement of a provision of European Union law resulting from an act or omission by an economic operator which has, or would have, the effect of prejudicing the European Union's budget or a budget managed by the European Union.

Has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

Has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3 of Annex C (Intellectual Property Provisions).

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of ITERInternational Fusion Organization for the Joint Implementation of the

ITER Project⁴ (AD02)]

ITER International Fusion Energy Organization Is defined in Applicable Document AD01 (Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements).

Travel necessary for performance of the Contract.

The document containing a Contractor's declaration about the Mission expenses to be submitted after completion of the Mission)].

Is defined in Applicable Document AD01 (Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements).

Has the meaning set forth in Article II.26 (Settlement of Disputes).

Has the meaning set forth in Article I.3 (Options).] Means contracting party to the Contract.

Has the meaning set forth in Article II.5.6 (Guarantees).]

Has the meaning set forth in Article I.7.1 (Pre*financing Payment).*]

Means a situation in which the Contractor's previous or ongoing professional activities affect its capacity to perform the contract to an appropriate quality standard.

Has the meaning set forth in Article I.100 (Representatives). There is one Project Manager appointed by Fusion for Energy and one Project Manager appointed by the Contractor.

Has the meaning set forth in the Supplier Nuclear Safety Management Requirements (AD10)]

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Means the formal document notified by a Party to the other for resolution of a Dispute by the Senior Representatives of the Parties.

Has the meaning set forth in section II.6 of Applicable Document AD01 (Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements).

Has the meaning set forth in Applicable Document

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⁴ OJ L 358, 16.12.2006, p. 62

Representatives of Fusion for Energy

Senior Representative

Significant Organisational Change

Staff

Subcontractor

Substantial error

[Qualified Provider

Total Contract Price

AD01 (Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements).

Has the meaning set forth in Article II.8.28.2 (*Checks and Access Rights*).

Means a representative of either Party at a senior executive level, appointed by that Party to attempt to resolve any Dispute in accordance with Article II.26.2 (Settlement of Disputes).

Means any of the following events: (i) the sale of more than 50% (fifty percent) of the Contractor's authorized or issued capital stock or any equivalent thereof, (ii) the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Contractor's assets, (iii) the merger, consolidation, or reorganization of the Contractor with or into another entity, (iv) the change of a Subcontractor [or Qualified Provider]; (v) a change in the legal, financial, Contractor's technical organisational situation which could adversely affect, alter, or impair the rights and/or interests of Fusion for Energy under or pursuant to the Contract and (vi) where the Contractor is a consortium, also any of the following: (i) a change in the lead firm representing the consortium, or (ii) a change in the composition of the consortium. Where the Contractor is a consortium, all events under (i) to (v) refer to any of its members.

Means individuals involved in performance of the Contract. It includes the individuals employed or hired by the Contractor from time to time.

Means an economic operator, that is not a Party to the Contract and that enters into a legal commitment with the Contractor to perform part of the Contract.

Means any infringement of a contract provision resulting from an act or omission, which causes or might cause a loss to the Union's budget.

Means any economic operator other than Subcontractor, who does not perform part of the Contract, but who enters into a legal commitment with the Contractor to provide resources that will be used for the performance of the Contract [as follows: insert criteria (volume, amount, type of

material/ or list of Qualified Providers).]

Has the meaning set forth in Article I.5.35

(Prices).

I.2. SCOPE

- **I.2.1.** The scope of the Contract is the provision of [•] as described in Annex B (*Technical Specifications*) (the "Service").
- **I.2.2.** The Contractor shall provide the Service in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

I.3. [OPTIONS

- **I.3.1.** Fusion for Energy may request the Contractor to supply the following items and/or to perform the following services ((the "**Options**"):
 - (a) Option [.] -in accordance with [...];
 - (b) [...]
- **I.3.2.** The release of each of the Options shall be subject to a written instruction through DACC by Fusion for Energy. Such written instruction shall:
 - (a) explicitly inform the Contractor that Fusion for Energy has decided to exercise 1 (one) or several of the Option(s);
 - (b) indicate the date on which exercise of the Option(s) shall enter into force;
 - (c) indicate the date on which the performance of the Option is to commence or to be agreed by the Parties;
 - (d) any other matter relevant for the release of the Option;
- **I.3.3.** Performance of the Options may under no circumstances start before the date indicated in the instruction. The Contractor shall perform the exercised Options in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.
- **I.3.4.** Fusion for Energy may exercise the Options within the time frame specified below [or as specified in Annex [★]:
 - (a) With respect to Option [★], within [★] months of [the Commencement Date or [★]];
 - (b) With respect to Option [★], within [★] months of [the Commencement Date or [★].]
- **I.3.5.** The duration of the Options [*]-[*] shall be [as follows/or as specified in Annex [*] (•)]:
 - (a) Option [★]: [★] months from the Commencement Date/from the date on which performance of the Option is to commence;
 - (b) Option [★]: [★] months from the Commencement Date/from the date on which performance of the Option is to commence.]
- **I.3.6.** The release of any of the Options is subject to Fusion for Energy's sole discretion. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any compensation, should Fusion for Energy decide not to exercise one or several of the Options.
- **I.3.7.** Should Fusion for Energy exercise any Option, requests for payments of such Option shall be admissible together with any of the payment periods referred to in Article I.77 (Payment Arrangements), after completion of the option and approval by Fusion for Energy of the ADP for that Option, unless otherwise indicated in Article I.7.47 (Payment Arrangements) of the Contract or otherwise indicated by Fusion for Energy in the written instruction.

I.4. ENTRY INTO FORCE AND DURATION

- **I.4.1.** The Contract shall enter into force on the date on which it is signed by the last Party (the "Commencement Date").
- **I.4.2.** Performance of the Contract may under no circumstances begin before the Commencement Date.
- **I.4.3.** Performance of the Contract shall last until completion of the obligations of the Parties under the Contract without prejudice to Article I.1717 (*Survival of Obligations*).

Performance of the Contract shall be consistent with the milestones set out in Section [*] of Annex B (*Technical Specifications*).

I.5. PRICES

- **I.5.1.** The amount payable by Fusion for Energy for the provision of the Service and all related obligations in accordance with the Contract [, excluding Options,] is: EUR [amount in figures and in words] (the "Contract Price").
- **I.5.2.** [*The amount[s] payable by Fusion for Energy for the Options are:*
 - (a) Option 1: EUR [amount in figures and words] [broken down in EUR [amount in figures and words] per month/week/Day/XX];
 - (b) Option 2: EUR [amount in figures and words] [broken down in EUR [amount in figures and words] per month/week/Day/XX].
 - (c) [...]
- **I.5.3.** [N/A][The unit prices regarding the Service shall be as listed in the Annex G (Contractor's Tender)].
- **I.5.4.** [N/A][Mission expenses shall be reimbursed in accordance with Article II.4 (Reimbursement of Mission Expenses) [only for Mission necessary to perform the tasks set out in section [.] of Annex B (Technical Specifications)/only for Missions to [place and purpose] which are necessary for performance of the Contract], up to a maximum of [amount in figures and words].] [The Contractor shall provide a Mission Statement declaring that the Mission was performed and providing the details listed in article II.4.5 to be accepted by Fusion for Energy. [Accommodation expenses not related to a Mission shall not be reimbursed. Travel time shall not be considered as working time.]]
- **I.5.5.** The Total Contract Price is the sum of the Contract Price and the price of any released Option plus any sum paid to the Contractor in reimbursement of the expenses as set out in Article I.5.4, if applicable ('**Total Contract Price**').

I.6. [INDEXATION

- **I.6.1.** [N/A] or [From the second anniversary of the Commencement Date, indexation may be applied, once a year, at the request of one of the Parties. The request must be made in writing and must be received by the other Party at the latest on 30 September of the year prior to the Calendar Year from which the application of indexation is requested.
- **1.6.2.** The indexation applies to the invoices associated with ADP(s) that are submitted to Fusion for Energy from the second anniversary of the Commencement Date. Any subsequent indexation applies to the invoice associated with ADP(s) that are submitted during the Calendar Year following the request.
- **I.6.3.** The indexation coefficient is determined by application of the following formula using [indicate appropriate index as defined in Indexation Policy] published by [see Indexation Policy: e.g. the Office for Official Publications of the European Union in the EUROSTAT monthly bulletin at http://www.ec.europa.eu/eurostat].

$$I = \left[A + B \frac{n1(r)}{n1(o)} + C \frac{n2(r)}{n2(o)} + D \frac{n3(r)}{n3(o)} + \dots \right]$$

where:

I = the indexation coefficient (rounded to 8 decimals).

A = [the portion of the Contract that is not indexed].

B, C, D = [the portion(s) of the Contract that is/are indexed]

n1(r), n2(r), n3(r) = the current indexes. Each of them is an average calculated on the basis of the last 3 indexes published by 30 September prior to the Calendar Year in which the indexation coefficient applies.

n1(o), n2(o), n3(o) = the base indexes [indexes for the month corresponding to the tender submission deadline];

I.6.4. Where the Contractor fails to fulfil its obligations by the completion date of the Contract, and the delay is not caused by Fusion for Energy or a Force Majeure, the Contractor is not entitled to request the application of a new indexation for the period following the completion date.

I.7. PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

I.7.1. [Pre-financing Payment

[Pre-financing payment is not applicable to this Contract.]

[Fusion for Energy shall pay the Contractor a pre-financing payment of EUR [amount in figures and words] [corresponding to 10/20/30 % (ten/twenty/thirty percent)] of the amount referred to in Article [I.5.1 (Contract Price)]] (the "Pre-financing Payment") within 30 (thirty) days of receiving the corresponding valid invoice.]

[Fusion for Energy will only pay, if it has received a duly constituted financial guarantee in the form provided in the Applicable Documents AD03 (Pre-financing Guarantee Form) equal to the amount of the Pre-financing payment].]

I.7.2. Interim Payment(s)

[Interim payment is not applicable to this Contract.]

[Fusion for Energy shall pay the Contractor an interim payment of EUR [amount in figures and words] [corresponding to $[\Box]$ % ($[\Box]$ percent) of the amount referred to in Article [I.5.1] [minus the Pre-financing Payment [if applicable]/minus [a percentage] of the Pre-financing Payment], in accordance with Article II.2 (Acceptance and Approval of an Acceptance Data Package Linked to Payments), upon receipt of:

- 1) an invoice;
- 2) the ADP related to milestone $[\Box]$ referred to in Section $[\Box]$ of Annex B (Technical Specifications).

I.7.3. Payment of the Balance

Fusion for Energy shall pay the Contractor the balance payment of EUR [amount in figures and words] [corresponding to [*] % ([*] percent) of the amount referred to in Article [I.5.1/I.5.2]], in accordance with article II.2 (Acceptance and Approval of an Acceptance Data Package Linked to Payments), upon receipt of:

- 1) An invoice
- 2) the ADP related to milestone $[\Box]$ referred to in Section $[\Box]$ of Annex B (*Technical Specifications*).

I.7.4. /Payment of the Options

In case specific payment modalities for Option are necessary, please indicate them here.]

I.8. GUARANTEES

[Guarantees are not applicable]

- **I.8.1.** [If the amount of the Pre-financing payment equals or exceeds EUR 300,000 (three hundred thousand Euro), the Contractor must provide a Pre-Financing guarantee for the amount of EUR [amount in figures and in words] in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article II.5 (Guarantees).][By derogation to Article II.5 (Guarantees), the Pre-financing Guarantee may be replaced by a first demand guarantee by a third party, after prior acceptance by Fusion for Energy and subject to the conditions it determines].
- **I.8.2.** [A Performance Guarantee constituted in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article II.5 (Guarantees) is requested for an amount equal to [5/10% (five/ten percent) of the Total Contract Price⁵]. By derogation to Article II.5 (Guarantees), the Performance Guarantee may be replaced by a first demand guarantee by a third party, after prior acceptance by Fusion for Energy and subject to the conditions it determines].
- **I.8.3.** [A Retention money guarantee is requested for an amount equal to [5/10% (five/ten percent)] of the Total Contract Price⁶ and constituted by a corresponding deduction from the final payment. At the request of the Contractor and subject to approval by Fusion for Energy, the deduction on payment may be replaced by a first demand bank guarantee in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article II.5 (Guarantees)].

I.9. BANK ACCOUNT

I.9.1. Payments shall be made to the following Contractor's bank account denominated in Euro:

Name of bank: [complete]

Address of branch: [complete]

Account holder: [complete]

IBAN code: [complete]

I.9.2. Any request for modification of the Contractor's bank account shall be made by letter duly accompanied by all the supporting documents. Unless otherwise indicated by Fusion for Energy, any modification of the Contractor's bank account shall be approved through DACC.

I.10. REPRESENTATIVES

I.10.1. Fusion for Energy's Project Manager

Fusion for Energy appoints the following Project Manager for the Contract.

[insert name of Project Manager⁷]

⁵ Instructions: Select a percentage in figures and in words. According to F4E policy, the performance guarantee shall be at least 5% but may not exceed 10 % of the Total Price of the Contract.

⁶ Instructions: Select a percentage in figures and in words. According to F4E policy, the retention money guarantee shall be at least 5% but may not exceed 10% of the Total Price of the Contract.

⁷ Important instruction: F4E's Project Manager must have a proper financial delegation according to F4E delegation scheme

The acts and decisions of the Project Manager of Fusion for Energy shall only bind Fusion for Energy within the limits set out in the Contract, if made in writing and duly signed by the Project Manager.

I.10.2. Contractor's Project Manager

The Contractor nominates [name] its Project Manager responsible for coordinating the performance of the Contractor's obligations under the Contract. The contractor's Project Manager shall have the authority to perform such tasks and represent the Contractor under the Contract.

[The Contractor nominates the following additional key persons:

Technical person responsible for [*]: [name];

[Commercial person responsible for [*]: [name]].

The Contractor's Project Manager is the main contact point regarding any issue raised in connection with the performance of the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.

- **I.10.3.** The Parties shall give prior written notice of any modification of their Representatives listed in this Article at least 15 (fifteen) days prior to any modification.
- **I.10.4.** Any modification of the Contractor's Project Manager and/or additional key persons shall be subject to prior written approval by Fusion for Energy.
- **I.10.5.** All communications between the Contractor and Fusion for Energy shall be in accordance with the following arrangements:

decoration with the following arrangements.					
Fusion for Energy	Contractor				
[name of the Project Manager]					
Contract number: [*]	[include address]				
The European Joint Undertaking for the Development of ITER and Fusion Energy ('Fusion for Energy')					
C/ Josep Pla 2					
Torres Diagonal Litoral					
Building B3					
08019 Barcelona					
Spain					
For technical matters					
[Insert Title.]: [name]	Project Manager or its office: [name]				
In copy to: [name]	[In copy to: additional key persons				
[and add the Commercial Manager M in case the technical matters have a commercial impact]	[name(s)]]				
For commercial matters					

[Insert Title]: [name]	Project Manager or its office: [name]		
In copy to: [Insert Title] [name]	[In copy to: additional key persons [name(s)]]		

I.11. LIABILITY

I.11.1. Contractor's Liability

The Contractor is liable to Fusion for Energy for any loss or damage arising caused directly as a result of the performance or breach of the Contractor's obligations under the Contract. The Contractor's liability under the Contract shall not exceed [1 (one) time] the Total Contract Price, subject to the sole exceptions set out below.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, the Contractor shall remain liable, without limitation to the amount, for the following:

- (a) damage or loss caused by gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Contractor, its Staff, or any Subcontractor or its Staff;
- (b) personal injuries or death caused by the Contractor, its Staff, or any Subcontractor or its Staff:
- (c) damage or loss resulting from non-compliance with an applicable mandatory law or infringement of intellectual property rights of a third party.

I.11.2. Third Party Actions

If a third party brings any action or claim against Fusion for Energy in connection with the performance of the Contract, the Contractor must assist Fusion for Energy in the legal proceedings, including by intervening in support of Fusion for Energy, upon request.

If Fusion for Energy's liability towards the third party is established and such liability is caused by the Contractor, during or as a consequence of the performance of the Contract, the Contractor shall be liable, without any limitation as to the amount.

The indemnification shall not exceed the amount of damage and costs sustained by Fusion for Energy as a result of the third party action within the meaning of this Article.

The ITER IO is not considered a third party for the purposes of this Article, unless the damage or loss suffered by the ITER IO was caused by the Contractor's wilful misconduct or gross negligence. In such a case, the Contractor's liability is limited to the amount indicated in Article I.11.1, subject to the exceptions mentioned therein.

I.11.3. Group of Economic Operators

If the Contractor is a group of economic operators, with or without legal personality, each of the economic operators forming such group is jointly and severally liable to Fusion for Energy for any loss or damage arising as a result of the performance or breach of the Contractor's obligations by any of them, under the conditions established in Article I.11.1.

I.11.4. Fusion for Energy's Liability

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Contract, Fusion for Energy shall not liable for any loss or damage sustained by the Contractor during or as a consequence of performance of the Contract, unless the loss or damage was caused by wilful misconduct or gross negligence of Fusion for Energy.

Fusion for Energy is not liable for any loss or damage caused by the Contractor, including any damage or loss to a third party during or as a consequence of performance of the Contract.

I.11.5. [Nuclear Liability

The Parties hereby acknowledge that nuclear fusion installations are currently not covered by international nuclear liability conventions and that ITER IO assumes, by virtue of the declaration in the Applicable Documents (AD04-Declaration regarding Nuclear Liability of ITER IO), the responsibility of a nuclear operator for indemnifying the Contractor in the event of claims, damage and losses caused by radiological damage arising from a nuclear incident as defined by the Paris Convention 'Third Party Liability in the Field of Nuclear Energy' of 29 July 1960, as amended by the Additional Protocol of 28 January 1964 and by the Protocol of 16 November 1982.]

I.12. INSURANCE

- **I.12.1.** The Contractor shall take out suitable insurance against risk and damage or loss relating to the performance of the Contract as required by the relevant applicable legislation as well as any additional insurance policy reasonably required by the best practices in the industry, taking into account the specificities of the Contract.
- **I.12.2.** [In any case, without limiting the obligation defined in Article I.12.1 (Insurance), the Contractor shall effect and maintain the following insurance in accordance with the standards defined above:
 - (a) Third party and public liability insurance to cover the liability the Contractor may incur relating to performance of the Contract, with a limit of indemnity of at least EUR [x] for any single occurrence and at least EUR [x] in the yearly aggregate, notwithstanding any termination of the present Contract.
 - (b) Professional indemnity insurance without unusual or onerous conditions or excesses to cover the liability the Contractor may incur relating to performance of the Contract, including, if applicable, joint and several liability of the members of the group and in particular for any act, error, or omission due to negligence in the performance of the obligations and commitments to be undertaken in accordance with the Contract, design of the works and faulty execution, with a limit of indemnity of not less than EUR [x] for any single occurrence and of not less than EUR [x] in the yearly aggregate, notwithstanding any termination of the present Contract]
 - (c) [Employer's liability insurance with limit of no less than Euro [x] per accident for bodily injury or disease.]
- **I.12.3.** The insurance policies listed above shall cover the duration of the obligations of the Contractor and allow direct payment of the compensation for the insured damage suffered. The Contractor shall provide the necessary support for the execution of the policy, including payment of self-insured retentions or deductibles, in case such payments are necessary.
- **I.12.4.** Upon request, the Contractor shall provide evidence of effective insurance coverage [including the policies listed in article I.12.2] to Fusion for Energy and, in any case, shall timely inform Fusion for Energy in case of modification to the mentioned policies.
- **I.12.5.** For avoidance of doubt, demonstration by the Contractor of the fulfilment of this Article I.122 and disclosure of effective insurance coverage to Fusion for Energy does not in any way relieve the Contractor from its other obligations and from its liability under the Contract.
- I.12.6. [Contract Implementation on the ITER site in Cadarache

[N/A] or [Specific requirements apply in case of Contract implementation in the ITER Site in Cadarache, including where the Contract contains assembly and Installation activities on the site. Please add the relevant provision such as:

[The ITER Organization has contracted a construction insurance policy to cover the risk of physical loss or damage to the building and equipment for the duration and according to the terms set out in the insurance certificate annexed to the Contract as AD05 [Insurance Certificates]. Fusion for Energy has no obligation to cause such insurance policy be maintained until the Items are accepted in accordance with the Contract.

Insurance indemnification is jointly handled by Fusion for Energy and the ITER Organization in accordance with the insurance claims procedure and managed through the insurance claims officer, with payment to be made to the insured which suffered the loss. The deductible is borne by the insured party, without any determination of the liability for the damage.

The insured party bearing the deductible shall be responsible for recovering such deductible from any other liable person, without any impact on the implementation of the Contract. In case of several contractors suffering the loss, the deductible is shared pro rata between the contractors.

Fusion for Energy has the right to modify unilaterally the terms contained in AD05 [Insurance Certificates] by means of a written notice sent 30 (thirty) days prior to the entry into force of such modification. If required by Fusion for Energy, the Contractor shall take out any supplementary insurance. If the Contractor incurs additional Cost as a result of such modification, it shall be entitled to payment of these Costs to the extent they are reasonable upon submission of the relevant evidence in a Deviation Request.]

I.13. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- I.13.1. Where the due date is not met for [Deliverables/milestones [*] defined in Section [*] of Annex B (Technical Specifications)] [or the implementation of the Corrective Actions related to an ADP linked to a payment as per due date notified in writing by Fusion for Energy] and the delay is not attributable to an act or omission of Fusion for Energy, Fusion for Energy may impose liquidated damages amounting to [*]% ([*] percent) of the [Total Contract Price at the date of the notification of Fusion for Energy's intention to apply liquidated damages] per [day/week/month] of delay. The maximum amount of liquidated damages Fusion for Energy may apply is [10% (ten percent)] of the Total Contract Price. Fusion for Energy may, at its sole discretion, apply a lower amount. [For each incomplete [week/month] of delay, the amount of liquidated damages is determined on a pro-rata working day basis].
- **I.13.2.** Without prejudice to Fusion for Energy's right to terminate the Contract in accordance with Article II.1919 (*Termination by Fusion for Energy for Cause*), the liquidated damages payable under this Article constitute the sole remedy available to Fusion for Energy in respect of delay up to the maximum amount indicated in Article I.13.1. From the Day the maximum amount of payable liquidated damages is reached, Fusion for Energy shall be entitled to compensation for any loss or damage resulting from any additional delay attributable to the Contractor, under the conditions set out by Article I.111 (*Liability*).
- **I.13.3.** Fusion for Energy shall formally notify the Contractor of its intention to apply liquidated damages and the corresponding calculated amount. The Contractor has 30 (thirty) Days following the date of receipt of the Notification to submit observations or any longer period communicated by Fusion for Energy. Failing that, the decision becomes enforceable the Day after the time limit for submitting observations has elapsed. If the Contractor submits observations, Fusion for Energy, taking into account

the relevant observations, shall notify the Contractor of: (a) the withdrawal of its intention to apply liquidated damages; or (b) its final decision to apply liquidated damages and the corresponding amount.

I.13.4. The Parties expressly agree and acknowledge that any amounts payable under this Article I.133 represent a reasonable estimate of fair compensation for the damages and losses that may be reasonably anticipated by Fusion for Energy from the abovementioned delays of the Contractor.

I.14. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The provisions of Annex C (Intellectual Property Provisions) are applicable.

I.15. PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

I.15.1. Processing of personal data by Fusion for Energy

For the purpose of Article II.111:

- (a) the Data Controller is [insert Fusion for Energy responsible "organizational entity", i.e. unit/function (......@f4e.europa.eu).]
- (b) the data protection Privacy Notice (PN) is available at: [insert the respective PN(s) on procurement / contract implementation / claims etc.]

I.15.2. Processing of personal data by the Contractor

For the purpose of Article II.111:

- (a) the subject matter and purpose of the processing of personal data by the Contractor are [provide a short and concise description of the subject matter and purpose];
- (b) The localisation of and access to the personal data processed by the Contractor shall comply with the following⁸:
 - i. the personal data shall only be processed within the [territory of the European Union] and will not leave that territory;
 - ii. the data shall only be stored (incl. back-up storage) in data centres or similar premises, located within the territory mentioned above under (i). Every additional data storage and/or treatment location within the European Union Member States or within the territory of a Member of Fusion for Energy envisaged during the period of implementation of the Contract, must be communicated in advance to Fusion for Energy;
 - iii. the Contractor may not change the location of data processing without the prior written authorisation of Fusion for Energy;
 - iv. any transfer of personal data under this Contract to third countries or International Organisations shall fully comply with the requirements laid down in Chapter V of Regulation (EU)2018/1725.

I.16. APPLICABLE LAW

The Contract shall be governed by the Community and European Union law, complemented by national substantive law of Spain, other than its rules of private international law (conflict of law/renvoi rules). National substantive law of Spain shall

⁸ Instruction: This clause may be further adapted on the basis of a risk assessment related to the processing of personal data for the relevant contract.

prevail over the law of an autonomous Region. The Parties agree that the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) adopted in Vienna on 11 April 1980 does not apply to the Contract.

I.17. SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS

Obligations which by their nature continue beyond the termination or expiration of the Contract, including, by way of illustration only and not limitation, those in Article I.11 (Liability), Annex C (Intellectual Property Provisions), [Article Error! Reference source not found.9 (Warranty)], Article II.222 (Checks and Audits) and Article II.233 (Confidentiality), shall survive the termination or expiration of the Contract.

[OTHER SPECIFIC PROVISIONS]

I.18. [Warranty for Limited Occurrences

[Without prejudice to Article Error! Reference source not found.9 (Warranty), the Contractor shall repair or replace the Items for [•] years from the acceptance of the Items by Fusion for Energy and for the following occurrences:

- (a) [•] as defined in Annex B (Technical Specifications);
- (b) [•] as defined in Annex B (Technical Specifications).]

I.19./Warranty

Obligation for the Contractor to correct mistakes, ambiguities or inconsistencies discovered after Final Acceptance up to a period of [1 (one) year] [and to repeat the performance of part of the services concerned] without additional payment].

1.20. [Rules on access and presence of external Contractor Staff for the execution of services in Fusion for Energy's premises

- (a) [The Contractor shall, within 3 (three) calendar days prior to the envisaged beginning of the work on Fusion for Energy premises, submit to Fusion for Energy the list of his employees he will entrust with the execution of the onsite Services, transmitting for each Person information on name, first name, date and place of birth, profession, and residence.
- (b) Persons may only have access to Fusion for Energy premises with a permit that has been delivered to them personally by Fusion for Energy. This permit shall be constantly visible to allow the person to be identified. Fusion for Energy reserves the right not to accept unwelcome persons on its premises, at his discretion, by informing the Contractor. The Contractor shall make sure that the permit is returned to Fusion for Energy at the end of the services.
- (c) The working hours of the Contractor's personnel must be included in Fusion for Energy's opening time, which is as follows: Monday-Friday: 8.30 to 13.00 and from 14.15 to 17.30. The Contractor will receive the list of days regarded as bank holidays by Fusion for Energy, apart from Saturdays and Sundays. Dispensation to the above-mentioned timetable shall be possible only with the authorisation granted on a case by case basis by the representatives of Fusion for Energy.
- (d) Each of the Contractor's employees accepted for services at Fusion for Energy premises shall remain a direct employee of the Contractor at all times during the period of such services. It is expressly agreed that such person shall not be considered an employee or agent of Fusion for Energy. The Contractor shall

- indemnify and hold harmless Fusion for Energy for any such claim by any such person. The relation of employment between the Contractor and his employee shall remain the same and shall not be altered by this Contract. At the end of the services at Fusion for Energy premises, the Contractor ensures that such employees leave the site.
- (e) Fusion for Energy shall not be responsible for any payment to the Contractor's employees for any cost or expenses incurred by him and/or his employees under or in connection with this Contract, in particular, Fusion for Energy shall not pay any salary, remuneration, reimbursement of travel and living expenses or the like to the Contractor's employees. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Fusion for Energy from any such claim by his employees.
- (f) Fusion for Energy may request the Contractor to recall a person from the Fusion for Energy's premises when deemed appropriate and provide a justification. The Contractor shall immediately comply with such a request, and, if requested by Fusion for Energy, the Contractor shall substitute the recalled person by another employee.
- (g) Each of the Contractor's employees and/or Subcontractors (personnel) working in the premises of Fusion for Energy shall conform to any internal security and information technology rules of Fusion for Energy, including the Information Systems Security Policy of Fusion for Energy that is made available to the Contractor before commencing any works in the premises of Fusion for Energy.
- (h) The Parties declare and acknowledge that the Contractor's employees and/or Subcontractors (personnel) working in the premises of Fusion for Energy shall by no means be (re)qualified as staff member of Fusion for Energy. The Contractor undertakes in agreement with Fusion for Energy to work out, implement and maintain appropriate measures to prevent such requalification.
- (i) All property of the Contractor while at the Fusion for Energy premises shall be at risk of the Contractor and Fusion for Energy shall accept no liability for any loss or damage to that property or caused by that property except where any such loss or damage was caused or contributed to by any act, neglect or default of any employee of Fusion for Energy acting in the course of their employment. Fusion for Energy shall accept liability only to the extent to which such loss or damage is so caused or contributed to.]

I.21. [Qualified Providers

Article II.133 (Subcontracting) applies to Qualified Providers.]

[...]

II. GENERAL CONDITIONS

II.1. PERFORMANCE

II.1.1. General Performance Requirements

- (a) The Contractor shall perform the Contract with due skill, care and diligence, in accordance with the high professional standards that can be expected from an experienced contractor in the field of the Contract.
- (b) The Contractor shall follow the instructions of Fusion for Energy given in writing by Fusion for Energy's Project Manager. If the Contractor receives instructions that jeopardize the economic, expeditious and/or safe performance of the Contract, it shall immediately call the attention of Fusion for Energy in writing thereto. However, if Fusion for Energy's Project Manager repeats the instructions in writing, the Contractor shall execute them at the risk and expense of Fusion for Energy.
- (c) The Contractor shall neither represent Fusion for Energy nor behave in any way that would give such an impression. The Contractor shall inform third parties that it and its employees do not belong to the European public service.

II.1.2. General Provisions Regarding the Contractor's Staff

- (a) The Contractor shall ensure that Staff performing the Contract (including those of Subcontractors) have the professional qualifications, skills and experience required by the Contract. The Contractor shall have sole responsibility for Staff performing the Contract. The Contractor has the obligation to manage the team performing the Contract.
- (b) Upon request of Fusion for Energy, the Contractor shall justify the deployment of human resources, regarding the number and the professional qualification of Staff involved in the performance of the Contract.
- (c) The Contractor has the sole responsibility for complying with any applicable legal obligations with respect to its Staff and the Staff of its Subcontractor, notably those resulting from employment, tax, social security, health and safety legislation. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold Fusion for Energy harmless from any claim in that respect, including claims related to salary, tax, social security and health and safety obligations of the Contractor. If requested by Fusion for Energy, the Contractor shall submit copies of forms evidencing compliance with the aforementioned obligations.
- (d) . The Contractor shall keep at all times in the site the legally required books and records containing information on its Staff and those of its subcontractors working on the site. Fusion for Energy shall have access to the information contained in such registry book.
- (e) The Contractor shall ensure that: (1) Staff performing the Contract may not be given orders directly by Fusion for Energy; and (2) Fusion for Energy may not, under any circumstances, be considered to be the Staff's employer and the said Staff shall undertake not to invoke in respect of Fusion for Energy any right arising from the contractual relationship between Fusion for Energy and the Contractor.
- (f) The Contractor shall make all reasonable efforts to minimize the risk of labourrelated delays or disruption of the work. The Contractor shall promptly take all reasonable steps that may be available in connection with the resolution of

violations of collective bargaining agreements or labour jurisdictional disputes. The Contractor shall promptly inform Fusion for Energy in writing of any actual or potential labour dispute, known to the Contractor, that could materially affect the performance of the Contract (including by its subcontractors). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the settlement of strikes, walkouts, lockouts or other labour dispute shall be at the discretion of the Party having the difficulty.

- (g) The Contractor shall replace a Staff member without delay in case an action or omission of that Staff member causes disruption or in case a Staff member does not have the expertise required by the Contract.
- (h) Fusion for Energy has the right to request the replacement of any member of Staff, stating its reasons for so doing. Replacement Staff must have the necessary qualifications and be capable of performing this Contract under the same contractual conditions. The Contractor shall ensure the continuity of the service and the transfer of knowledge from the replaced Staff to the replacement Staff. The Contractor shall be responsible for any delay in the execution of this Contract resulting from the replacement of Staff.

II.1.3. Communication

- (a) Communication relating to the Contract shall be in writing, in English, and shall bear the Contract number.
- (b) All communications shall be done by mail, DACC or email, save as otherwise provided in the Contract. The date of reception of ordinary mail is the date of its registration by Fusion for Energy.
- (c) Any communication or document sent, notified or approved in DACC is considered as equivalent to a paper document in writing with a handwritten signature and shall be admissible as evidence in legal proceedings.

II.1.4. Compliance during performance of the Contract

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with the quality and management requirements laid down in the Annexes and Applicable Documents to the Contract.
- (b) The Contractor shall comply with the minimum requirements provided for in the tender specifications. This includes compliance with applicable obligations under environmental, social and labour law established by European Union law, national law and collective agreements or by the international environmental, social and labour law provisions listed in Annex X to Directive 2014/24/EU9 and compliance with data protection obligations resulting from Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.
- (c) The Contractor has the sole responsibility for taking the necessary steps to obtain any permit or licence required to perform this Contract under the laws and regulations in force at the place where the Contract is performed.
- (d) The Contractor shall ensure compliance with the health and safety regulations, and standards applicable in the places where the Contract is performed. Any Items supplied must comply with the health and safety regulations, standards and procedure applicable at the place of manufacture and at the place of delivery.
- (e) If the Contract involves Protection Important Components or Protection Important Activities, the Contractor must comply with the requirements set out in the Supplier Nuclear Safety Management Requirements (AD10).

⁹ OJ L 94 of 28.03.2014, p. 65

(f) Where applicable, the Contractor shall be responsible for the implementation of the CE Markings requirements.

II.1.5. Early Warning

- (a) The Contractor shall promptly notify Fusion for Energy of any event or circumstance that affects or could reasonably be expected to affect the performance of the Contract. Unless a shorter period is foreseen in the Contract, this notification must be done within 10 (ten) Days since the Contractor became aware of such event or circumstance or should have become aware of it.
- (b) The Contractor is responsible for the costs and delays resulting from a breach of the early warning obligations as defined in this article.
- (c) The Contractor shall use its best efforts to mitigate the effect of such event or circumstance on the performance of the Contract.

II.2. ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF AN ACCEPTANCE DATA PACKAGE LINKED TO PAYMENTS

II.2.1. Acceptance

Acceptance is the acknowledgment that the Service and the Deliverables are in compliance with the Contract.

Acceptance of the Service and the Deliverables is evidenced by a written communication to that effect or, in the case of a Deliverable linked to a payment, by the payment.

Conformity shall be declared only if the conditions laid down in this Contract are satisfied and the Service provided conform to Annex A (*Management Specifications*) and Annex B (*Technical Specifications*).

Where, for reasons attributable to the Contractor, Fusion for Energy is unable to accept the Service or Deliverables, it shall notify the Contractor.

Approval of a Deliverable or a document by any means other than those set out in this Article II.2.1 shall not constitute an Acceptance within the meaning of this Contract.

No obligation and/or responsibility of the Contractor under this Contract is released until Final Acceptance.

Acceptance is without prejudice to the rules on Liability in Article I.11 (*Liability*).

II.2.2. Approval of the Acceptance Data Packages linked to payments

When the Contractor must submit an ADP linked to a payment, Fusion for Energy has 60 (sixty) days from receipt of the relevant request for payment:

- (a) to approve the ADP and make the payment; or
- (b) to reject the ADP, require the Contractor to submit another ADP; or
- (c) to make observations related to the ADP, require the Contractor to take Corrective Actions and suspend the time-limit for payment.
- **II.2.3.** Rejection of the ADP by Fusion for Energy must be based on objective reasons in accordance with the provisions of the Contract and be transmitted in writing to the Contractor.

If Fusion for Energy rejects the ADP, the Contractor shall submit a new ADP which shall likewise be subject to the above provisions. The deadline for submission of any other ADP and other deadlines set out in the Contract are not affected or deferred due to Fusion for Energy's rejection of a given ADP.

II.3. GENERAL PROVISIONS CONCERNING PRICES AND PAYMENTS

- **II.3.1.** Prices include all expenses related to the performance of the Contract. All prices are fixed and firm, not subject to revision during the lifetime of the Contract, regardless of any variations in the prices of materials, equipment or labour, except as otherwise stipulated in the Contract.
- **II.3.2.** All prices are expressed in EURO.
- **II.3.3.** Payments are made only if the Contractor has fulfilled all its contractual obligations by the date on which the request for payment is submitted.
- **II.3.4.** Should the Contractor fail to perform its contractual obligations, Fusion for Energy may without prejudice to its right to terminate the Contract and any other remedies it may have at law– suspend, reduce or recover payments in proportion to the scale of the non-performance.
- II.3.5. Unless otherwise indicated in the Contract, Fusion for Energy has 60 (sixty) days from receipt of the ADP and the request for payment: (a) to approve the submitted Acceptance Data Package (ADP) and make the payment; or (b) reject it and request the Contractor to submit another ADP; or (c) to make observations, suspend the time-limit for payment and request the Contractor to take corrective actions.
- **II.3.6.** Fusion for Energy may suspend the payment periods referred to in Article I.7 (*Payment Arrangements*) if the invoice is not admissible. An invoice is not admissible for the following reasons:
 - (a) the payment is not due in accordance with the Contract; or
 - (b) the Contractor has not produced the appropriate supporting documents or deliverables; or
 - (c) Fusion for Energy has observations on the documents or deliverables submitted with the invoice.
- **II.3.7.** Each invoice submitted by the Contractor must contain the reference number of the Contract, the bank account as detailed in the Contract, the value added tax (VAT) registration number and, if applicable, a breakdown of the payment amount(s) as foreseen in the Contract (before indexation) and the indexation amount.
- **II.3.8.** In the event of doubt on the admissibility of the invoice, Fusion for Energy may suspend the time limit for payment for the purpose of further verification, including on-the-spot checks, in order to ascertain, prior to payment, that the invoice is admissible.
- **II.3.9.** Fusion for Energy shall promptly notify the Contractor of a suspension of the time-limit for payment and provide the reasons therefore. The suspension takes effect on the date Fusion for Energy sends the notification. The remaining payment period resumes from the date on which the reasons for suspension are removed. Where the suspension of payment exceeds two months, the Contractor may request Fusion for Energy's decision on whether the suspension must be continued.
- **II.3.10.**Payments shall be deemed to have been made on the date on which Fusion for Energy's account is debited.
- **II.3.11.**In the event of late payment, the Contractor is entitled to interest calculated using the European Central Bank's (ECB) reference rate in force on the first Day of the month in which the payment is due, increased by 8 (eight) percentage points. Interest is payable for the period starting on the Day following expiry of the time limit for payment up to the Day of payment. Suspension of payment by Fusion for Energy does not constitute late payment. When the calculated interest is lower or equal to EUR 200, it must be paid only if the Contractor requests it within two months of receiving late payment.

II.4. REIMBURSEMENT OF MISSION EXPENSES

- **II.4.1.** Where provided for by Article I.5 (*Prices*), Fusion for Energy shall reimburse the travel, subsistence and accommodation expenses (Mission expenses) that are directly connected with a Mission, up to the maximum amount defined in article I.5 (*Prices*).
- **II.4.2.** Fusion for Energy's written authorization is required before a Mission may be undertaken or a change to a Mission is implemented. The Mission request must indicate the purpose of the Mission, the origin, the destination, the start date, the duration in Days, the names of the persons travelling and the estimated Mission expenses. Once the Mission is authorized, the Contractor shall make the necessary Mission arrangements without delay.
- **II.4.3.** Mission expenses are reimbursed on the basis of the shortest itinerary to and the minimum number of overnight stays necessary at the destination of the Mission, as follows:
 - (a) Travel expenses:
 - travel by air: the cost of an economy-class ticket;
 - travel by boat or rail: the cost of a first-class ticket;
 - travel by car: the cost of a first-class rail ticket for the equivalent journey on the same Day.

In case no public transport is available to travel to the destination, the cost of a rental car or taxi may be reimbursed on a case-by-case basis upon prior written authorization by Fusion for Energy.

- (b) Subsistence Expenses
 - For journeys of less than 200 (two hundred) km for a return trip, no subsistence allowance is payable;
 - For journeys of at least 200 (two hundred) km for a return trip, a daily subsistence allowance is payable as a flat rate to cover all subsistence expenses, including but not limited to meals, local transport and transport to and from the airport or railway station, insurance and sundries.
- (c) Accommodation expenses

For journeys of at least 200 (two hundred) km for a return trip and when an overnight stay at the destination is necessary for the Mission, an accommodation allowance is payable as a flat rate per night.

The subsistence and accommodation allowances applicable to the destination of the Mission are specified on the following website:

https://industryportal.f4e.europa.eu/IP PAGES/keyreference.aspx.

- **II.4.4.** Conversion between the euro and another currency is made at the daily euro exchange rate published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* or, failing that, at the monthly accounting exchange rate established by the European Commission and published on the website indicated hereafter, applicable on the day when it issues the payment order: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/procedures-guidelines-tenders/information-contractors-and-beneficiaries/exchange-rate-inforeuro en).
- **II.4.5.** Unless otherwise indicated in the Contract, the request for reimbursement of Mission expenses shall be done as follows:
 - (a) submission of signed Mission Statement, as part of the relevant ADP, detailing for each completed Mission the purpose of the Mission, the origin, the destination, the start date, the duration in Days and the names of the persons travelling, the travel expenses incurred as well as the subsistence and accommodation allowances due, as applicable, calculated on the basis of this Article, and

- (b) inclusion of the request for reimbursement of the Mission expenses in the invoice for an interim and/or balance payment.
- **II.4.6.** Fusion for Energy may request the Contractor to submit evidence of the declared travel expenses and invoice(s) for accommodation until the end of the period mentioned in article II.22 (*Checks and Audits*). The Contractor shall provide this evidence within 2 (two) weeks from the request by Fusion for Energy.

II.5. GUARANTEES

- **II.5.1.** If so required by Fusion for Energy, the Contractor shall provide a guarantee for the performance of his obligations under the Contract for the amount stipulated in the Contract and in accordance with the form listed under the Applicable Documents to the Contract.
- **II.5.2.** The guarantee(s) shall be issued in favour of Fusion for Energy by an authorised bank or any other financial institution (the "Guarantor") established in one of Fusion for Energy Member States having a public credit rating of no less than "BBB" by Standard and Poors or equivalent credit rating from a reputable ratings agency accepted by Fusion for Energy. It shall be denominated in EURO.
- **II.5.3.** The Guarantor shall stand as first-call guarantor and shall not require Fusion for Energy to have recourse against the Contractor (the principal debtor).
- **II.5.4.** The Contractor shall bear the costs of providing the Guarantee and any extension thereof.
- **II.5.5.** The pre-financing guarantee must remain in force until the pre-financing is cleared against (an) interim payment(s) or payment of the balance. Where the payment of the balance takes the form of a debit note, the pre-financing guarantee must remain in force for 3 (three) months after the debit note is sent to the Contractor. Fusion for Energy must release the guarantee within the following month.
- **II.5.6.** The performance guarantee covers compliance with contractual obligations from the execution of the balance payment, unless another starting date is explicitly provided for in the Contract. Fusion for Energy must fully release the performance guarantee 30 (thirty) Days after expiry of the Warranty Period.
- **II.5.7.** Retention money guarantees cover full delivery of the supplies in accordance with the Contract including during the Warranty Period. Fusion for Energy must release the Retention money guarantee at the latest after the expiry of the Warranty Period.
- **II.5.8.** Fusion for Energy may not request a retention money guarantee where it has requested a performance guarantee and not released it.

II.6. RECOVERY

- **II.6.1.** If total payments made exceed the amount actually due under the Contract or if recovery is justified in accordance with the terms of the Contract, the Contractor shall reimburse the appropriate amount in Euro upon receipt of the debit note within the time limit specified in the debit note.
- **II.6.2.** In the event of failure to reimburse within the time limit specified in the debit note, Fusion for Energy may, after informing the Contractor in writing, recover the amount due by: (a) offsetting it against any amount owed by Fusion for Energy to the Contractor; (b) calling a financial guarantee; (c) taking legal action.
- **II.6.3.** In the event of failure to reimburse within the time limit specified in the debit note, the sum due shall bear interest at the rate indicated in Article II.3.1111 (General Provisions Concerning Prices and Payments). Interest is payable from the Day following the expiry of the time limit up to the Day on which the debt is repaid in full.

- Any partial payment is first entered against charges and interest for late payment and then against the principal amount.
- **II.6.4.** If the Contract is signed by a group of economic operators (joint tender), the group is jointly and severally liable under the conditions set out in Article I.111 (*Liability*). Fusion for Energy first claims the full amount from the leader of the group. If the leader does not (fully) reimburse by the time limit and if the (remaining) amount cannot be offset in accordance with Article **Error! Reference source not found.**(a), Fusion for Energy may claim the full or remaining amount from any other member of the group.

II.7. TAXATION

- **II.7.1.** The Contractor recognises that Fusion for Energy is, as a rule, exempt from all taxes and duties, including VAT, pursuant to the provisions of Articles 3 and 4 of the Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the European Union¹⁰.
- **II.7.2.** The Contractor shall accordingly complete the necessary formalities with the relevant authorities to ensure that the Items and services required for performance of the Contract are exempt from taxes and duties, including VAT. The Contractor remains responsible for the proper application of the rules on VAT at the place where it is taxable. Fusion for Energy reserves the right to communicate information on the Contract to the Member State in which the Contractor is liable for VAT.
- **II.7.3.** Invoices submitted by the Contractor shall indicate its place of taxation for VAT purposes and shall specify separately the amounts not including VAT and the amounts including VAT.

II.8. CHECKS AND ACCESS RIGHTS

- **II.8.1.** For the purpose of checking the performance of the Contract and subject to prior, written notification (which shall not be less than 5 (five) days), Fusion for Energy, or any entity it designates, has the right to carry out onsite checks on the premises of the Contractor. The Contractor, and its Subcontractors, shall grant unlimited and unrestricted access to its relevant facilities and documentation as set out in in Applicable Document AD01 (Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements).
- **II.8.2.** Fusion for Energy shall notify the Contractor in writing of the names of the persons entitled or designated to perform the checks (the "Representatives of Fusion for Energy").
- **II.8.3.** In carrying out the checks, the Representatives of Fusion for Energy shall comply with the internal rules of procedure, safety and security of the Contractor and Subcontractors as well as any restriction imposed by the applicable safety and security law
- **II.8.4.** In addition to the rights of Fusion for Energy set out in Applicable Document AD01 (Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements), Fusion for Energy is entitled to a reasonable number of copies (and unless otherwise indicated by Fusion for Energy, not less than 3 (three)) in paper and electronic form of the documents required in accordance with Applicable Document AD01 (Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements) at any time at no cost for Fusion for Energy.

¹⁰ OJ C 321 E of 29.12.2006 p. 0318-0324

- **II.8.5.** The Contractor shall provide to the Representatives of Fusion for Energy, at no cost for Fusion for Energy, suitable office accommodation, facilities, appliances, materials and labour as may be required for the purpose mentioned in this Article II.88.
- **II.8.6.** Nothing under this Article II.88 shall relieve the Contractor of any of its obligations and responsibilities under the Contract

II.9. REPORTING AND TESTING

- **II.9.1.** The Contractor shall provide Fusion for Energy with reports on the progress of performance of the Contract in accordance with the requirements set out in Annex A (*Management Specification*) and Annex B (*Technical Specifications*).
- II.9.2. Should any unforeseen event, action or omission directly or indirectly negatively impact execution of the Contract, either partially or totally, the Contractor shall immediately and at its own initiative record it and report it to Fusion for Energy. The report shall include a description of the problem, an indication of the date on which it started and the Remedial and Corrective Action taken by the Contractor to ensure full compliance with its obligations under the Contract. In such event the Contractor shall give priority to solving the problem rather than determining liability.
- **II.9.3.** The Contractor shall give Fusion for Energy at least 2 (two) weeks' notice in writing of any tests that are to be carried out in accordance with the Contract in the presence of representative of Fusion for Energy, unless otherwise indicated in the Annex A (*Management Specification*) or Annex B (*Technical Specifications*).
- **II.9.4.** The expenses for visits of representatives of Fusion for Energy connected with such tests will be borne by Fusion for Energy. If 1 (one) or more of the tests have to be repeated for reasons attributable to the Contractor, the Contractor shall pay the additional costs associated with the repetition or extension or the test or for any extra visit.
- **II.9.5.** If during the course of a test, the representatives of Fusion for Energy wish to make minor modifications to the test procedures or programmes which has no impact on the schedule, i.e. modifications involving little extra work or expense, the Contractor shall not unreasonably withhold its consent. Substantial modifications to test procedures or programmes shall be agreed in good faith by the Parties in advance.
- **II.9.6.** Each test procedure has to be approved by Fusion for Energy prior to the test. Each test report has to be approved by Fusion for Energy. One copy of the test report shall be delivered to Fusion for Energy within 10 (ten) days from the end date of each test.
- **II.9.7.** If the Parties disagree on the results of a test, a final test shall be carried out by or under supervision of a third party especially designated for this purpose by Fusion for Energy. The associated expenses and delays shall be borne by the Party shown to be wrong by the results of this final test.

II.10. CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

- II.10.1. The Contractor shall take all necessary measures to prevent a Conflict of Interest or Professional Conflicting Interest of the Contractor itself, its Staff, board and directors. Any Conflict of Interest or Professional Conflicting Interest that arises during performance of the Contract must be notified to Fusion for Energy in writing without delay.
- **II.10.2.** The Contractor shall immediately take all necessary measures to rectify a Conflict of Interest or Professional Conflicting Interest. Fusion for Energy reserves the right to verify that such measures are adequate and to require additional measures, if necessary, within a reasonable time limit. The Contractor shall ensure, without prejudice to Article II.1.2 (*General Provisions Regarding the Contractor's Staff*), the

immediate replacement of any member of its staff in such situation, without compensation from Fusion for Energy.

II.10.3. The Contractor declares:

- (a) that it has not made, and will not make, any offer of any type whatsoever, from which an advantage can be derived under the Contract;
- (b) that it has not granted and will not grant, has not sought and will not seek, has not attempted and will not attempt to obtain, and has not accepted and will not accept, any advantage, financial or in kind, to or from any party whatsoever, where such advantage constitutes an illegal practice or involves corruption, either directly or indirectly, in as much as it is an incentive or reward relating to the performance of the Contract.

II.11. PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

II.11.1. Processing of Personal Data by Fusion for Energy

Any personal data included in or related to this Contract, including its implementation, shall be processed in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725. Such data shall be processed solely for the purpose of implementation, management and monitoring of this Contract by the data controller.

The Contractor, or any other person whose personal data is processed by the data controller in relation to this Contract, has specific rights as a data subject under Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725, in particular the right to access, rectify or erase their personal data and, where applicable, the right to restrict, to object to processing, or the right to data portability.

Should the Contractor or any other person whose personal data is processed in relation to this Contract have any queries concerning the processing of their personal data, they shall refer to the Data Controller. They may also refer to the Data Protection Officer. They have the right to lodge a complaint at any time to the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS).

Details concerning the processing of personal data are available in the Privacy Notice referred to in Article I.15.1 (*Processing of Personal Data by Fusion for Energy*).

II.11.2. Processing of Personal Data by the Contractor

The processing of personal data by the Contractor shall meet the requirements of Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725 and be processed on behalf of Fusion for Energy, as "processor" solely for the purpose set out by the Data Controller.

The Contractor may act only on documented instructions and under the supervision of the Data Controller, in particular with regard to the purpose of the processing, the categories of data that may be processed, the recipients of the data and the means by which the data subject may exercise its rights. The Contractor shall have measures in place to ensure that the data subjects can exercise their rights.

The Contractor may be asked by Fusion for Energy to use ITER Organization IT applications that store information in data centers or similar premises located on the territory of the European Union (incl. back-up storage).

The Contractor shall assist the Data Controller in the fulfilment of its obligation to respond to requests for exercising rights of persons whose personal data is processed in relation to this Contract as laid down in Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725. The Contractor shall inform without delay the Data Controller of such requests.

The Contractor shall grant its Staff access to the data to the extent strictly necessary for the implementation, management and monitoring of the Contract. The Contractor must ensure that Staff authorised to process personal data has committed itself to confidentiality or is under appropriate statutory obligation of confidentiality in accordance with the provisions of Article II.233 (*Confidentiality*).

The Contractor shall adopt appropriate technical and organisational security measures, addressing the risks inherent in the processing, the nature, the scope, the context and the purpose of the processing, in order to ensure, as appropriate:

- (a) the pseudonymisation and encryption of personal data. Data in transit on public networks (e.g. internet) shall be encrypted. Other security measures than encryption of stored data may be defined during contract implementation
- (b) the ability to ensure continuous confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of processing systems and services;
- (c) the ability to restore the availability and access to personal data in a timely manner in the event of a physical or technical incident;
- (d) a process for regularly testing, assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of technical and organisational measures to ensure the security of the processing;
- (e) measures to protect personal data from accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, erasure, unauthorised disclosure and use of or access to personal data transmitted, stored or otherwise processed.

The Contractor shall, upon Fusion for Energy's written request, inform Fusion for Energy in writing about the implementation of the above measures within 30 days following receipt of the request.

In case the Contractor is asked by Fusion for Energy to use ITER Organization IT applications and/or systems, the above mentioned technical and organizational security measures apply to the extent they fall under the Contractor's responsibility.

The Contractor shall notify any breach in the technical and organisational security measures protecting personal data (personal data breach) to the Data Controller without undue delay and at the latest within 48 hours after the Contractor becomes aware of the breach. In such cases, the Contractor shall provide the data controller with at least the following information:

- (a) the nature of the personal data breach including, where possible, the categories and approximate number of data subjects concerned and the categories and approximate number of personal data records concerned;
- (b) the likely consequences of the breach;
- (c) the measures taken or proposed to be taken to address the breach, including, where appropriate, measures to mitigate its possible consequences.

The Contractor shall immediately inform the data controller if, in its opinion, an instruction infringes Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, Regulation (EU) 2016/679 or other data protection provisions of the European Union or its Member States as referred to in the procurement documents.

The Contractor shall assist the Data Controller in fulfilment of its obligations pursuant to Article 33 to 39 under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 in order to:

- (a) ensure compliance with its data protection obligations regarding the security of the processing, and the confidentiality of electronic communications and directories of users. In case the Contractor is asked by Fusion for Energy to use ITER Organization IT applications and/or systems, this applies to the extent it falls under the Contractor's responsibility.
- (b) notify a personal data breach to the European Data Protection Supervisor;
- (c) promptly inform the data subject of a personal data breach;

(d) carry out data protection impact assessments and prior consultations as necessary.

The Contractor shall maintain a record of all:

- data processing operations carried out on behalf of the data controller,
- transfers of personal data,
- personal data breaches,
- responses to requests for exercising rights of people whose personal data is processed and
- requests for access to personal data by third parties.

The Contractor acknowledges that it bears all costs associated with the implementation of its obligations under this article.

Fusion for Energy is subject to Protocol 7 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union on the privileges and immunities of the European Union, particularly as regards the inviolability of archives (including the physical location of data and services as set out in Article I.1515) and data security, which includes personal data held on behalf of Fusion for Energy in the premises of the Contractor or Subcontractor.

The Contractor shall notify Fusion for Energy without delay of any legally binding request for disclosure of the personal data processed on behalf of Fusion for Energy made by any national public authority, including an authority from a third country. The Contractor may not give such access without prior written authorisation of Fusion for Energy.

The duration of processing of personal data by the Contractor shall not exceed the period referred to in Article II.22 (*Checks and Audits*). Upon expiry of this period, the Contractor shall, at the choice of the Data Controller, either return without any undue delay all personal data processed on behalf of the data controller (and all copies thereof) in a commonly agreed format or delete all personal data, unless European Union or national law require a longer storage period.

For the purpose of Article II.13 (Subcontracting), if part or all of the processing of personal data is subcontracted, the Contractor shall pass on the obligations referred to in Articles I.17 (Survival of Obligations) and II.11.2 (Processing of Personal data by the Contractor) in writing to those subcontractors. At the request of Fusion for Energy, the Contractor shall provide documentary evidence of this commitment.

II.12. RIGHTS ON DOCUMENTATION AND ITEMS PROVIDED BY FUSION FOR ENERGY

- **II.12.1.** Where for the purpose of this Contract Fusion for Energy provides to the Contractor access to drawings, files, technical data, computer programs, source codes, and any other item or property, the Contractor shall not become the owner of any items provided.
- **II.12.2.** These items may only be used by the Contractor for the purposes of the Contract. The distribution, reproduction, or use by a third party without prior written approval by Fusion for Energy is strictly forbidden.

II.13. SUBCONTRACTING

II.13.1.The Contractor shall not subcontract any part of the work, nor cause or allow the Contract to be performed by a third party without prior written authorisation from Fusion for Energy. Fusion for Energy may waive its right for prior authorisation for specific parts of the Contract in writing and subject to the conditions it may define in that written communication.

- **II.13.2.** The authorisation referred to in Article II.13.1 shall be requested by the Contractor in writing and shall be accompanied by identification of: (i) the part of the scope to be subcontracted and the total amount estimated to be paid and (ii) the proposed Subcontractor, (iii) whether it qualifies as a small and medium-sized enterprise, (iv) references of its qualifications and experience, (v) its place of establishment.
- II.13.3.In case Fusion for Energy authorises the Contractor to subcontract to a third party, the Contractor shall nonetheless remain bound by its obligations under the Contract and shall bear exclusive liability for proper performance of the Contract. The Contractor is responsible towards Fusion for Energy for the acts and omissions of Subcontractors. Fusion for Energy is not responsible for any payment to a Subcontractor or its employees. In case Fusion for Energy authorises the Contractor to subcontract to a third party, the contract with the Subcontractor shall provide for application of the same obligations applicable to the Contractor regarding the processing of personal data. The initial processor remains fully liable to the data controller for the performance of those other processors' obligations.
- **II.13.4.**Upon request from Fusion for Energy, the Contractor shall provide a list of the legal commitments it entered into for the purpose of performing the Contract and the amounts paid or to be paid to any Subcontractor. No later than 30 (thirty) days from receipt of Fusion for Energy's request (except if otherwise indicated), the Contractor shall, provide evidence of payment of salaries, social security contributions as well as labour benefits of its employees and Subcontractor employees, as the case may be, and provide evidence that the Contractor and the Subcontractor comply with all their legal obligations (of any nature) in respect to their employees.
- **II.13.5.** All the contract between the Contractor and a Subcontractor shall be in writing, shall be compliant and consistent with the terms and conditions of the Contract and shall not affect the rights and guarantees to which Fusion for Energy is entitled by virtue of the Contract.

II.14. SIGNIFICANT ORGANISATIONAL CHANGE

II.14.1.The Contractor shall promptly notify Fusion for Energy of any planned Significant Organisational Change. This written notification shall clearly state (i) the reason(s) for the planned Significant Organisational Change, and (ii) its impact on the performance of the Contract.

If applicable, the notification shall be accompanied by the following supporting information:

- (a) legal entity form;
- (b) bank account form;
- (c) evidence that despite the Significant Organisational Change the Contractor and/or its Subcontractors do not fall within any of the exclusion criteria according to Articles 136(1) or Article 136(2) of the Financial Regulation 11; and
- (d) evidence of professional and financial capacity to perform the Contract despite the Significant Organisational Change.

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Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.07.2018, p. 1to which article 89 of Fusion for Energy Financial Regulation refer. (http://fusionforenergy.europa.eu/downloads/procurements/F4E_Financial_Regulation.pdf).

- **II.14.2.** Fusion for Energy can object to the proposed Significant Organisational Change if it negatively affects performance of the Contract and/or the ITER Project as a whole and/or would amount to a substantial modification of the Contract not allowed under Fusion for Energy's Financial Regulation. Fusion for Energy shall notify the Contractor of its decision on the proposed Significant Organisational Change within 30 (thirty) days from receipt of the notification.
- **II.14.3.** Failure to notify Fusion for Energy in accordance with Article II.14.1 or failure to comply with Fusion for Energy's decision mentioned in Article II.14.2 is a ground for termination under Article II.19.1(k) (*Termination by Fusion for Energy for Cause*).

II.15. COMPENSATION EVENT

II.15.1. The following events are Compensation Events:

- (a) Errors in Fusion for Energy's requirements: if the Contractor suffers a delay or incurs additional Cost as a result of an error, fault, omission, discrepancies or ambiguities in the Contract or its Annexes, the Contractor is only entitled to an extension of time and/or payment of such Cost under the following conditions:
 - a. the Contractor notified the error, fault, omission, discrepancies or ambiguities to Fusion for Energy in accordance with the present Article **Error! Reference source not found.**II.12 and submitted the supporting evidence to substantiate the claim; or
 - b. the Contractor proves that such an error, fault, omission, discrepancies or ambiguities could not have been discovered and notified by an experienced contractor exercising due care during the Review Period, in accordance with Article II.1.1 (General Performance Requirements), and the Contractor promptly notified Fusion for Energy, and in any case within ten (10) Days since the Contractor became aware of it or should have become aware of it, including the supporting evidence.
- (b) Change in legislation: if the Contractor suffers a delay or incurs additional Cost as a result of a change in the applicable law with binding effect on the Contractor or in the judicial or governmental interpretation of such applicable law (but not related to employment, tax or social legislation) after the Commencement Date that directly affects the performance of the Contract, the Contractor is only entitled to an extension of time and/or payment of such Cost under the following conditions:
 - a. the Contractor has notified Fusion for Energy including a substantiation of any the delay and/or additional costs within thirty (30) days from the date the change entered into force. Fusion for Energy may accept a later notification for duly justified reasons. and
 - b. Fusion for Energy does not terminate the Contract pursuant to Article II.200 (*Termination by Fusion for Energy for Convenience*), and
 - c. The impact of the Change in Legislation is not already covered by another provision of the Contract, and
 - d. The Contractor could not have expected such delay or additional Cost, and
 - e. the Contractor is a national of or is legally established in one of Fusion for Energy Member States at the time of the notification referred to in this Article.
- (c) Suspension of the Contract: if the Contract is suspended in accordance with Article II.188 (Suspension of the Contract) for more than 3 (three) months continuously for the same cause, the Contractor is only entitled to a compensation for the additional Cost incurred as a result of the suspension from the beginning of the 4th (fourth) month of suspension under the condition that the Contractor notified Fusion for Energy of such Cost, with supporting evidence, within 30 (thirty) Days after the end of the suspension. The supporting evidence

shall include the relevant proof of the precise nature and extent of the additional Cost, including their detailed breakdown. For the sake of clarity, the Contractor is not entitled to payment of any cost incurred during the first three (3) months of suspension of the Contract.

- **II.15.2.** The Contractor shall notify the Compensation Event to Fusion for Energy within the period defined in the Contract. Any Claim based on a Compensation Event or on another provision of the Contract shall be submitted in accordance with the rules defined in Annex I (*Rules for Submitting Claims*) unless specified otherwise in the Contract.
- **II.15.3.** The Parties shall agree in good faith and in accordance with the rules defined in Annex I (*Rules for submitting Claims*), on the possible extension of time and/or payment of additional Cost, as applicable. Additional Cost under this Article is limited to duly documented, direct Cost. Any agreement on extension of time and/or payment of additional Cost shall be implemented pursuant to Article II.24 (*Amendments and Deviations*).
- **II.15.4.** The application of Article II.15 is subject to compliance of the Contractor with Article II.1.5 (*Early Warning Scheme*).

II.16. FORCE MAJEURE

- **II.16.1.**If a Party is affected by a Force Majeure, it shall as soon as possible, but in any case within 14 (fourteen) days after the Party became aware or should have become aware of the Force Majeure, notify the other Party. The notification shall state its nature, likely duration and foreseeable effect of the Force Majeure, including those obligations whose performance is or will be prevented by the Force Majeure.
- **II.16.2.** The Parties shall promptly take all necessary measures to minimise any delay and to reduce any damage due to Force Majeure.
- **II.16.3.** Subject to Article II.16.1, a Party shall not be liable for any delay or failure to perform its obligations under the Contract, if that delay or failure is the result of a Force Majeure, and as long as the Force Majeure prevents the Party from performing its obligations. If the Contractor is unable to perform its obligations due to a Force Majeure, it only has the right to be paid for Items delivered and accepted.
- **II.16.4.**The Party invoking Force Majeure shall immediately notify the other Party when it ceases to be affected by the Force Majeure.
- II.16.5.In case of Force Majeure notified in accordance with Article II.16.1 and exceeding 6 (six) months, a Party may terminate the Contract with immediate effect, where performance cannot be resumed within an additional period of 6 (six) months. Article II.1919 (Termination by Fusion for Energy for Cause) shall apply mutatis mutandis to the effects of such termination, unless otherwise indicated in the Contract or agreed.

II.17. ASSIGNMENT

- **II.17.1.** The Contractor shall not assign the rights and obligations arising from the Contract, in whole or in part, without prior written authorisation from Fusion for Energy.
- **II.17.2.**In absence of the written authorisation referred to in Article II.17.1, or in the event of failure to observe the terms thereof, assignment by the Contractor shall not be enforceable against and shall have no effect on Fusion for Energy.
- **II.17.3.** Fusion for Energy may assign the rights and obligations arising from the Contract, in whole or in part, without prior authorisation from the Contractor to ITER IO, to any

entity which has taken over all or a substantial part of ITER IO's / Fusion of Energy's role in the ITER project, to another Domestic Agency or to the European Commission.

II.18. SUSPENSION OF THE CONTRACT

- **II.18.1.** Fusion for Energy may, at any time and for duly justified reasons, suspend performance of the Contract, or any part thereof, by notifying the Contractor. The suspension shall take effect on the date of receipt of the notification, or at a later date indicated therein. The notification shall indicate the expected duration of the suspension. Following suspension, Fusion for Energy may notify the Contractor to resume performance of the Contract at any time.
- **II.18.2.**Should Fusion for Energy decide to suspend the Contract for a period of over 12 (twelve) months, the Contractor is entitled to ask for the Contract to be terminated, by notifying Fusion for Energy in writing within 1 (one) month of the date of notification of the suspension. The same shall apply in the event of a series of suspensions totalling a period of over 18 (eighteen) months. The 1 (one) month's deadline mentioned above for the request to terminate shall commence on the date of the reception of the decision resulting in the suspension of the Contract for over 12 (twelve) months or for 18 (eighteen) months respectively. If the Contract is suspended for more than 12 months (twelve) without prior indication of the period of suspension in the notification, the 1 (one) month deadline mentioned above for the request to terminate shall commence on the Day following the expiration of the 12 (twelve) months period.
- **II.18.3.**In case of termination under the conditions mentioned in this Article, the provisions regarding termination for convenience established in Articles II.20.3 to II.20.7 (*Termination by Fusion for Energy for Convenience*) shall apply.
- **II.18.4.**Within 15 (fifteen) Days from the date on which performance of the Contract is resumed, the Parties shall convene to negotiate in good faith an adequate updated schedule for performance of the Contract. Article II.244 (*Amendments and Deviations*) shall apply.
- **II.18.5.** The compensation for suspension of the Contract exceeding 3 (three) months, referred to in article II.15.1(c), shall be the Contractor's exclusive remedy on this ground.
- **II.18.6.** The conditions of this Article II.1818 shall also apply to the contracts with Subcontractors.

II.19. TERMINATION BY FUSION FOR ENERGY FOR CAUSE

II.19.1.Grounds for Termination

Fusion for Energy is entitled to terminate the Contract in the following circumstances:

- (a) where the Contractor, or any person that assumes unlimited liability for the debts of the Contractor, is in one of the situations provided for under points (a) and (b) of Article 136(1) of the Financial Regulation;
- (b) where the Contractor, or any related person within the meaning of article 136(4) of the Financial Regulation, is in one of the situations provided for under points (c) to (h) of Article 136(1) or under Article 136(2) of the Financial Regulation;
- (c) where the procedure for awarding the contract or the performance of the Contract prove to have been subject to substantial errors, irregularities or fraud;
- (d) where the Contractor does not comply with applicable obligations under environmental, social and labour law established by European Union law, national law, collective agreements or by the international environmental, social and labour law provisions listed in Annex X to Directive 2014/24/EU;

- (e) where the Contractor is in a Conflict of Interest or a Professional Conflicting Interest as referred to in Article II.1010 (*Conflict of Interest*);
- (f) where, due to the Contractor, the performance of the Contract has not commenced 15 (fifteen) Days after the date of entry into force of the Contract or any agreed date for the start of performance of the Contract;
- (g) where the Contractor is unable, through its own fault, to obtain a permit or licence required for performance of the Contract;
- (h) where the total amount of liquidated damages due to Fusion for Energy in accordance with Article I.133 (*Liquidated Damages*) is higher than the maximum amount established in Article I.133.1 (*Liquidated Damages*);
- (i) where the Contractor is in breach of a substantial contract obligation or the tender specification. For the purpose of this Article, a failure to meet the progress and/or delivery requirements to such an extent as to jeopardising the performance of the Contract or the purpose of the delivery is a breach of a substantial contract obligation;
- (j) where the Contractor is in a substantial breach of a contract obligation as set out in Article II.19.4 (*Covenants*). For the avoidance of doubt, in case of a group of companies or consortium, Fusion for Energy is entitled to terminate the Contract with effect to the group of companies or consortium;
- (k) where a change to the Contractor's legal, financial, technical, organisational or ownership situation does or is likely to substantially affect the performance of the Contract or substantially modifies the conditions under which the Contract was awarded or where the Contractor failed to notify the Significant Organisation Change in accordance with the Contract;
- (l) where the Contractor is in breach of its obligations under Article II.25 (*Export Control Requirements*);
- (m) where the Contractor is in breach of an obligation under Article II.11.2 (*Processing of Personal Data by the Contractor*) or where the Contractor does not comply with the applicable data protection obligations under Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

II.19.2. Procedure

- (a) Fusion for Energy must notify the Contractor in writing of its intention to terminate the Contract and the grounds therefore. The Contractor has the right to submit its observations, including any measures taken to continue fulfilling its contractual obligations, no later than 10 (ten) Days after receipt of the notification, unless otherwise indicated in the notification. Failing that, the decision to terminate enters into force on the day after the time limit for submitting observations.
- (b) In case the Contractor submits observations, Fusion for Energy must notify the Contractor either of the withdrawal of its intention to terminate or of its final decision to terminate. Termination takes effect on the date of receipt of this notification or any other date indicated therein.

II.19.3. Consequences of termination

Upon termination of the Contract, or any portion thereof, in accordance with this Article, the following applies:

- (a) The Contractor shall take immediate steps to cease its activities under the Contract. It must take all appropriate measures to minimise Cost, prevent and minimise damage, and cancel or reduce its commitments.
- (b) The Contractor shall deliver all documents, data, Foreground, Information and/or goods produced under the Contract. Upon Fusion for Energy's request, the

Contractor shall draw up and provide the documents required by the Contract for the Items accepted up to the date on which termination takes effect. These documents must be provided at the latest 60 (sixty) Days after the termination date. Upon Fusion for Energy's request, the Contractor shall deliver all documents, data, Foreground, Information and/or goods produced pursuant to the Contract.

- (c) The Contractor is not entitled to any compensation for loss or damages resulting from termination of the Contract, including loss of anticipated profit.
- (d) Subject to the limitations foreseen in Article I.11.1 (*Liability*), Fusion for Energy has the right to claim from the Contractor compensation for any loss or damage sustained as a result of the termination and to recover the corresponding amount in accordance with Article II.6 (*Recovery*), unless the ground for termination was Force Majeure.
- (e) Subject to the limitations foreseen in Article I.11.1 (*Liability*), Fusion for Energy is entitled to claim from the Contractor all additional costs incurred for completing the performance of the Contract, unless the ground for termination was Force Majeure. Fusion for Energy may engage one or several other contractor(s) of its choice to replace the Contractor.
- (f) The Contractor is entitled to be paid for the Items delivered and accepted by Fusion for Energy in accordance with Article Error! Reference source not found.2.1 (Acceptance) on the date of receipt of the notification of the termination. Payment will be done after off-setting the amount due or already paid to the Contractor against the amount of loss and damage due by the Contractor to Fusion for Energy pursuant to this Article. Any balance to the Contractor will be paid only after recovery of Fusion for Energy's loss and damage pursuant to this Article.
- (g) The Contractor is only entitled to compensation for the Costs of other Deliverables than the Items, of materials, of unfinished work or of goods manufactured before receipt of the notification mentioned in Article II.19.2(a), if Fusion for Energy requests the transfer of their ownership. Costs must be necessarily incurred by the Contractor and in accordance with the Contractor's Tender (*Annex* G). Costs shall be determined on the basis of evidence produced by the Contractor and accepted by Fusion for Energy. Payment will be done after offsetting the amount due or already paid to the Contractor against the amount of loss and damage due by the Contractor to Fusion for Energy pursuant to this Article. Any balance to the Contractor will be paid only after recovery of Fusion for Energy's loss and damage pursuant to this Article
- (h) In the case of a group of companies or a consortium, Fusion for Energy may terminate the contract with each member of the group separately on the basis of points (a), (b) or (d) of Article II.19.1 (*Grounds for Termination*).

II.19.4.Covenants

In addition and without prejudice to those covenants, undertakings, commitments and obligations made by or in respect of the Contractor herein and/or in the Contractor's Tender (Annex G), the Contractor hereby agrees that, as long as this Contract is in force, it shall:

- (a) not take or omit to take any action which might result in the alteration or impairment of any right of Fusion for Energy under the Contract or which might adversely affect the implementation of the Contract;
- (b) promptly, but not later than 4 (four) Days after the Contractor became aware of it or should have reasonably become aware of it, notify Fusion for Energy of any event or circumstance which adversely affects or is reasonably expected to adversely affect the performance of the Contractor's obligations. This event or

- circumstance includes, without limitation, the filing of a petition for bankruptcy or insolvency of the Contractor, the initiation of any similar proceedings, the termination of the Contractor's commercial activities or the winding-up of the Contractor. In case of a group of companies or a consortium, the above event or circumstance relates to any member of the group or consortium;
- (c) not pass any resolution, according to the applicable law to the Contractor (and in case of a group of companies or a consortium, of any member of the same), (i) to dissolve and/or liquidate the Contractor or to authorise an application for the bankruptcy or insolvency of the Contractor (in case of a group of companies or a consortium, of any member of the same) unless required by mandatory laws applicable to the Contractor, or (ii) to reduce the authorized or issued capital stock or any equivalent thereof of the Contractor, save for a decrease of such to be made in accordance with a mandatory statutory requirements set out in applicable law to the Contractor (in case of a group of companies or a consortium, of any member of the same);
- (d) promptly provide Fusion for Energy, upon its request, with statements on such other matters and information relating to this Contract as Fusion for Energy may request from time to time.

The Parties agree that the breach of the covenants and/or the obligation of the Contractor made under Articles II.19.4 (b) and (c), and the obligation in relation to their due notification, as stated above, qualifies as material breach of the Contract.

II.20. TERMINATION BY FUSION FOR ENERGY FOR CONVENIENCE

- **II.20.1.** Fusion for Energy may, at any time and at its discretion, terminate the Contract or any part thereof, in accordance with this Article.
- **II.20.2.** Termination under this Article is effected by notifying the Contractor in writing. The notification must specify the extent to which the Contract is terminated and the effective date of the termination.
- **II.20.3.**Upon receipt of a notification under this Article, the Contractor shall discontinue performance of the Contract in accordance with the notification. The Contractor shall take any reasonable measures which are necessary or desirable to discontinue performance in a safe and timely manner, to minimise costs associated with the termination, to prevent and minimise damage and to cancel or reduce its commitments.
- **II.20.4.** Subject to fulfilment of the Contractor's obligations, Fusion for Energy shall reimburse the Contractor for its additional Cost incurred as a direct result of the termination of the Contract or any part thereof and which would not have been incurred but/for the termination. The Contractor shall, as soon as possible but not later than 30 (thirty) Days after the effective date of termination, submit to Fusion for Energy its claim for reimbursement. Such claim shall be in writing and shall include a Cost breakdown with supporting evidence.
- **II.20.5.** The amount of reimbursement payable under Article **Error! Reference source not found.** is determined on the basis of the supporting evidence produced by the Contractor and accepted by Fusion for Energy. This determination shall take account of the proportion of the Contract completed and accepted by Fusion for Energy in accordance with the provisions of the Contract, and shall be consistent with Article II.20.7. The Contractor is not entitled to claim any loss of profit in respect of the uncompleted or outstanding work that was to be performed after the termination date.
- **II.20.6.** The Contractor is entitled to a payment of a termination fee corresponding to 3% (three percent) of any remaining payment under the Contract or under the part of the Contract which is terminated, as the case may be. No termination fee shall be paid if termination is a result of a change in legislation pursuant to Article II.155 (*Compensation Event*) or Article II.20.8.

- **II.20.7.** Fusion for Energy shall in no circumstance pay any sum which when added to the other sums paid, due or becoming due to the Contractor under the Contract, exceeds the Total Contract Price.
- **II.20.8.** Articles II.20.4 to II.20.5 shall not apply in case Fusion for Energy terminates the Contract due to the Contractor's inability to perform the Contract in compliance with EU laws because of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union. In that case, II.19.34 (b) (c) (d) and (e) shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

II.21. SUBSTANTIAL ERRORS, IRREGULARITIES AND FRAUD ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE CONTRACTOR

II.21.1.In case the procurement procedure or performance of the Contract prove to have been subject to substantial errors, irregularities or fraud attributable to the Contractor, Fusion for Energy may refuse to pay, may recover amounts already paid and/or may terminate any contract concluded with the Contractor, in proportion to the seriousness of the error, irregularity or fraud. The consequences described in Article II.1919 (Termination by Fusion for Energy for Cause) shall apply.

II.22. CHECKS AND AUDITS

- II.22.1.In accordance with Article 5(a) of Fusion for Energy Council Decision¹², the European Commission and the European Court of Auditors or their representatives have the power to audit any natural or legal person receiving payment from the budget of Fusion for Energy on the basis of documents and performance of on-the-spot checks and inspections. The power to audit applies from Commencement Date of the Contract up to 5 (five) years after payment of the balance.
- **II.22.2.** For the purpose of checks and audits on performance of the Contract, Fusion for Energy, or an outside body of its choice, has the same rights as the European Commission and the European Court of Auditors for the same duration.
- **II.22.3.**In accordance with Article 5(a) of Fusion for Energy Council Decision, the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) may carry out investigations, including on-the-spot checks and inspections ¹³ from Commencement Date of the Contract, up to 5 (five) years after payment of the balance.
- **II.22.4.**The European Public Prosecutor's Office (the EPPO) established by Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 and, for the processing of personal data, the European Data Protection Supervisor has the same rights as Fusion for Energy, particularly the right of access, for the purpose of checks, audits and investigations.

II.23. CONFIDENTIALITY

II.23.1.The Contractor undertakes to treat in the strictest confidence and not divulge to third parties, any information or documents which are linked to performance of the Contract.

II.23.2. This Article II.233 does not apply when:

- (a) the Confidential Information is publicly available not through a breach of confidentiality obligations; or
- (b) the disclosing party subsequently informs the recipient that the Confidential Information is no longer confidential; or

¹² Council Decision of 27 March 2007 establishing the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy and conferring advantages upon it (2007/198/Euratom).

¹³ In accordance with European Parliament and Council Regulation (Euratom, EU) No 883/2013 and Council Regulation (Euratom, EU) No 2185/1996

- (c) the Confidential Information is subsequently communicated to the recipient without any obligation of confidence by a third party who is in lawful possession thereof and under no obligation of confidentiality; or
- (d) the disclosure of the Confidential Information is required by law or permitted under another provision of the Contract, provided that the disclosing Party has given prior written notice of such disclosure to the other Party.
- **II.23.3.** The Contractor shall continue to be bound by this Article for a period of 10 (ten) years after completion of the obligations of the Parties under the Contract.
- **II.23.4.** The Contractor shall obtain from each member of its staff, board and directors which need to know the Confidential Information, an undertaking that they will respect the obligations under this Article for a period of 10 (ten) years after completion of the obligations of the Parties under the Contract. These obligations include the prohibition to use Confidential Information for their own benefit or that of any third party.
- II.23.5. According to Article 17 of Title II 'Rights and Obligations of Officials' of the 'Staff Regulations of Officials read in conjunction with Articles 11 and 81 of the 'Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union' any Fusion for Energy staff member shall refrain from any unauthorized disclosure of information received in the line of duty, unless that information has already been made public or is accessible to the public. In addition, any Fusion for Energy staff member shall continue to be bound by this obligation after leaving the service.

II.24. AMENDMENTS AND DEVIATIONS

- **II.24.1.** Any amendment to the Contract shall be in writing, dated and signed by the authorised legal representatives of the Parties. An oral agreement is not binding on the Parties.
- **II.24.2.**Unless otherwise instructed by Fusion for Energy, amendments are processed and signed in DACC. An electronic signature provided in DACC, in accordance with the rules defined in the Contract, is valid and binding.
- **II.24.3.**A Deviation Request or a Deviation Order must be accepted and signed by both Parties to constitute an Amendment. Unless otherwise indicated in the amendment, the amendment will enter into force on date of signature by the last Party. Implementation of an amendment may under no circumstances begin before the date of the entry into force of the amendment.
- **II.24.4.**Upon receipt of a Deviation Notice from Fusion for Energy, the Contractor shall submit an impact assessment including a detailed breakdown of the costs to be incurred for the implementation of the Deviation Notice. Unitary prices and productivity rates indicated in the financial forms of the Contractor's Tender (*Annex G*) are applicable to the impact assessment. If this is not possible, they shall be deduced (extrapolation, interpolation, or proportionality) from the financial forms of the Contractor. Fusion for Energy reserves the right to request the Contractor to submit duly documented evidence regarding any of the proposed cost elements. The Contractor shall submit the impact assessment within a reasonable time and in no event later than 15 (fifteen) working days after receipt of the Deviation Notice, unless agreed otherwise.
- **II.24.5.** Any Deviation Request issued by the Contractor shall include the impact assessment mentioned in II.24.4.
- **II.24.6.** After reviewing the impact assessment, Fusion for Energy may agree with the Contractor the final extent of the deviation including additional amounts to be paid, an updated schedule, an updated payment schedule and modalities, or revised deliverables.

II.25. EXPORT CONTROL REQUIREMENTS

- **II.25.1.**The Contractor is responsible, including for its Subcontractors, to ensure compliance with the relevant requirements imposed by applicable legislation regarding exportation, re-exportation and transfer (including intra-Community transfer) of Dualuse Items subject to the Contract to the country of delivery or to the ITER site in Cadarache, France.
- II.25.2. The Contractor shall act as an Exporter of the Dual-use Items under the Contract and shall provide any requested documentation and information, including evidence of compliance with the relevant exportation or transfer rules and transportation documentation, unless otherwise indicated by Fusion for Energy. Should Fusion for Energy decide to act as an Exporter, the Contractor shall assist Fusion for Energy in obtaining any required export, re-export or transfer authorization (including customs) and shall provide any necessary information or documentation.
- **II.25.3.**When the Contractor fails to obtain any required export, re-export or transfer authorization (including customs) or fails to provide the requested information or documentation, Fusion for Energy is entitled to terminate the Contract in accordance with Article II.1919 (*Termination by Fusion for Energy for Cause*), unless the Contractor proves that the failure is due to a Force Majeure.
- **II.25.4.** At the latest at the Kick-off meeting, the Contractor shall produce a list of Dual-use Items with indication of their category based on applicable international export control lists, unless otherwise indicated by Fusion for Energy. The Contractor shall also identify any Dual-use Items that are to be provided by a Subcontractor.

II.26. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

- **II.26.1.** The Parties shall resolve the Disputes in good faith, in accordance with this Article. provisions.
- **II.26.2.**A Dispute shall, in first instance, be referred for resolution to the Senior Representatives of the Parties by issuing a Referral Notice.

The Referral Notice shall be accompanied by:

- (a) Full written factual particulars of the Dispute;
- (b) The legal basis of the referring Party's claim;
- (c) The remedy sought by the referring Party with the justification in support of that remedy; and
- (d) All documents relied upon by the referring Party for its claim.

Following issue of a Referral Notice, the Senior Representatives shall meet and endeavour to resolve the Dispute by an agreement.

Notwithstanding the referral of a Dispute to the Parties' Senior Representatives, the Parties shall continue to perform their obligations under the Contract.

- II.26.3.If the Senior Representatives fail to resolve the Dispute within 30 (thirty) Days from the date of the Referral Notice (or such other period as may be agreed in writing by the Senior Representatives), the Dispute shall be exclusively decided by the European Court of Justice (ECJ) in accordance with its own rules of procedure. The language of the proceedings shall be English. Neither Party is entitled to refer a Dispute to the ECJ pursuant to this Article unless the Dispute has first been referred to the Senior Representatives pursuant to Article II.26.2. Notwithstanding the referral of a Dispute to the ECJ, the Parties shall continue to perform their obligations under the Contract.
- **II.26.4.** The Parties may submit the Dispute to Mediation in accordance with the rules set out in the Terms of Reference for Mediation (*Annex F*) at any time. The Mediation will take place at the location agreed by the Parties or, by default, at the location of the mediation centre. Mediation shall be conducted in English. Mediation does not prevent

the Parties from commencing proceedings before the ECJ in accordance with Article II.26.3.

II.27. MISCELLANEOUS

- **II.27.1.** The Contract contains the whole agreement of the Parties relating to the scope of the Contract at the date of the Contract signature, excluding any terms implied by law which are not mandatory. It supersedes any previous written or oral agreement between the Parties in relation to the matters dealt with in the Contract.
- **II.27.2.** The terms set out in the Special Conditions take precedence over those in the other parts of the Contract. The terms set out in the General Conditions take precedence over those in the Annexes, except those of Annex C (*Intellectual Property Provisions*) which take precedence over the terms set out in the General Conditions. The terms set out in the Annexes take precedence over those in Applicable Documents, except those in the Contractor's Tender (Annex G) over which the Applicable Documents take precedence. The terms set out in the Supplier Project Management and Quality Requirements (*Applicable Document AD01*) take precedence over those in the other Applicable Documents.
- **II.27.3.** The documents forming part of this Contract are to be taken as mutually explanatory. Ambiguities or discrepancies within or between parts of the Contract shall be explained or rectified in writing by Fusion for Energy, subject to the rights of the Contractor under Article II.266 (*Settlement of Disputes*) in case of a Dispute.
- II.27.4. Each provision of the Contract shall be interpreted in a manner which renders the provision effective and valid under Community, European Union and Spanish substantive law. If any provision of the Contract, or any part thereof, is prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, such provision or part thereof shall be ineffective without invalidating the remainder of the provision or of the Contract. The Parties shall negotiate in good faith to replace any prohibited or invalid provision with a legal and valid, provision which is as similar as possible in substance to the prohibited or invalid provision.
- **II.27.5.**For the purpose of the Contract, except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:
 - (a) The terms defined in the Contract have the meaning assigned to them in the Contract and include the plural as well as the singular and the use of any gender herein shall include the other gender.
 - (b) All capitalized terms not defined in the Special or General Conditions of this Contract have the meaning attributed to them in the Annexes or the Applicable Documents.
 - (c) The captions used in the Contract are inserted for convenience only and are in no way intended to describe, interpret, define, or limit the scope or content of the Contract or any provision thereof.
 - (d) The words "herein", "hereof", "hereunder", and other words of similar import refer to the Contract as a whole and not to any particular provision.
 - (e) The terms "include" or "including" mean, without limitation, by reason of enumeration and shall not be interpreted restrictively.
 - (f) Each reference to an "Annex" of the Contract shall include all sections of such Annex and each reference to an "Article" of the Contract or to a "Section" of its Annex shall include all subsections / points of such Article or section.
 - (g) Any terms used in the Contract and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning attributed thereto pursuant to any of its Annexes, in the Fusion for Energy Council Decision and/or the ITER Agreement.

- (h) References to any element of the legislation, statute, act, law, regulation, or any provision thereof are, where applicable, deemed to be references to that element of the legislation, as amended or re-enacted.
- **II.27.6.**Unless otherwise provided for herein, the Parties will bear their own expenses (including fees and disbursements of their respective counsel) in connection with the Contract and any services provided under the Contract.
- **II.27.7.** The Contract may be executed in 1 (one) or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which taken together shall constitute 1 (one) and the same instrument.

SIGNATURES	
For the Contractor,	For Fusion for Energy,
[company name/forename/surname/function]	[forename/surname/function]
signature[s]:	signature[s]:
Done at [place], [date]	Done at Barcelona, [date]

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