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Meetings

The 13th IFERC Project Committee (IFERC PC-13) meeting at Rokkasho

The 13th International Fusion Energy Research Centre (IFERC) Project Committee (IFERC PC-13) meeting was held at the IFERC site in Rokkasho on 16-17 October, 2013 with 28 participants. These were composed of 6 committee members including the PC chair, David Maisonnier (2 EU members via Video Conference (VC) from EU), 6 project team members including the Project Leader Noriyoshi Nakajima, one secretary, 2 JA experts invited by the PC members, 11 experts from the EU and JA Implementing Agencies (one EU expert via VC), and EU co-chair of Standing Committee and SWG-1 chair of Computational Simulation Centre (CSC) via VC. Due to a typhoon striking the Japanese islands on the first day (16th October), the meeting was held via VC between the Rokkasho site, the JAEA Tokyo office and some locations in Europe. The meeting on the second day (17th October) took place at Rokkasho as was initially foreseen and which can be seen in the photos.

Actions carried out after the last PC (IFERC PC-12) and the progress of the sub projects were presented on the first day. The PC took note of the actions performed and of the recent status of 3 sub projects; DEMO Design and R&D Coordination Centre consisting of DEMO Design activity including the safety research of the fusion plant and DEMO R&D activity, the CSC and the ITER Remote Experimentation Centre (REC). The PC

members showed their satisfaction, in particular with the high operation rate and the over-subscription of simulation projects presented in the 3rd cycle in CSC activity.

On the second day, after introduction of a new project team member, Dr. M. Shimada, the content of the standard documents was reviewed. After intensive discussions, the PC members recommended for approval by the Steering Committee (SC) the "Work Programme 2014 for IFERC project", the "Proposal on usage of enhanced system of CSC", the "Update of Value Estimates and Allocation of Contributions of the Parties", the "Update of IFERC Project Plan" and the "Amendment of the Annual Report 2011 for IFERC project". (The corresponding SC meeting will be held on 16-17 December 2013 in Saclay and Paris.)

The next Project Committee meeting (IFERC PC-14) will be held on 18-19 March 2014, at Rokkasho, and will be combined with a review meeting of the CSC 2nd cycle simulation projects on 17 March. In addition it was decided that IFERC PC-15 will be held on 27-28 October 2014 at Rokkasho, possibly combined with a review meeting of the DEMO Design activities including the safety research on 29 October.

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IFERC PC-13 at Rokkasho site