OPEN CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

For candidates for the position of
Nominee ITER Principal Deputy Director General - Project Construction Leader

ITER is an international fusion energy research project involving the European Union – and Associated Third Countries such as Switzerland – represented by Euratom, the People's Republic of China, India, Japan, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, and the United States of America. Construction, which is expected to last ten years and to cost 5 Billion Euros, will start next year at Cadarache near Aix-en-Provence (France).

The Commission of the European Communities will propose potential candidates for the post of Principal Deputy Director General (PDDG) of the ITER Organisation. The PDDG will, under the authority of the Director General, be responsible for the construction of ITER. The other ITER Parties will interview candidates where after the successful applicant could be designated by the ITER Parties as Nominee PDDG. The designation should occur within the next three months and the Nominee PDDG would be expected to take up his/her duties not later than the middle of 2006.

After the entry into force of the ITER Organisation, the Nominee PDDG would be confirmed by the Council of the ITER Organisation and become an ITER employee with a five year (once) renewable contract. The salary will be of top-level OECD scale.

Candidates should possess ideally the following qualifications: at least 15 years of professional experience, having reached the higher level of responsibilities in a major organisation (public or private sector); outstanding ability and experience in heading large high-scale high-technology construction projects, preferably in an international environment; proven management skills at the operational level; ability to represent an international organisation as ITER in dealing with governments and other entities within the ITER Parties; experience in the areas of nuclear fusion or fission would be an advantage.

Languages: a thorough knowledge of English is essential and a working knowledge of French would be an advantage. Knowledge of a language of one of the other ITER Parties would be an asset. The candidate should have the nationality of an EU Member State or of a Third State fully associated with the Euratom fusion programme.

Interested candidates should send, either by e-mail or surface mail, their applications (motivation letter plus CV) to:

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