

## **US ITER Project Activities**

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Since joining the ITER Transitional Arrangements in early 2003, the US has re-engaged in the technical and organizational-planning activities in preparation for an efficient start of construction. The primary focus for the US technical efforts has been completing the R&D and design related to the in-kind contributions that have been tentatively allocated to the US; the US is conducting this work through a combination of assignments to the International Team and conduct of domestic tasks that are synergistic with the scope of the Virtual Laboratory for Technology. The US is emphasizing the management of risk in its preparations and plans. The organizational preparations address the development of US views on the international ITER Organization project management, the establishment of the US Domestic Agency, and planning for effective conduct of the US acquisitions of its in-kind contributions within the context of the USDOE Project Management Order.

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