

## Special Issue

# Novel Approaches and Challenges in Nuclear Fusion Engineering

### Message from the Guest Editors

Nuclear fusion, the reaction that powers the Sun and the stars, is expected to be a safe, non-polluting, and virtually limitless energy resource. In the future, it is foreseen that nuclear fusion power plants could spread all over the world into the energy production context, reducing the contribution to electricity coming from fossil fuels and other polluting resources. The achievement of such a goal requires the solution of many challenging problems in a wide range of engineering fields, requiring the discovery of novel solutions and the development of new technologies. This Special Issue aims at collecting scientific and technical manuscripts on the technical and theoretical aspects concerning the most important issues to be faced to design and safely operate a future nuclear fusion power plant.

- Balance of plant in a nuclear fusion facility;
- High-current and high-voltage power supplies;
- High-performance (electric, magnetic, and thermal) energy storage systems;
- Advances in applied superconductivity;
- Safety and reliability issues in nuclear fusion

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