



# DTT Vacuum Vessel

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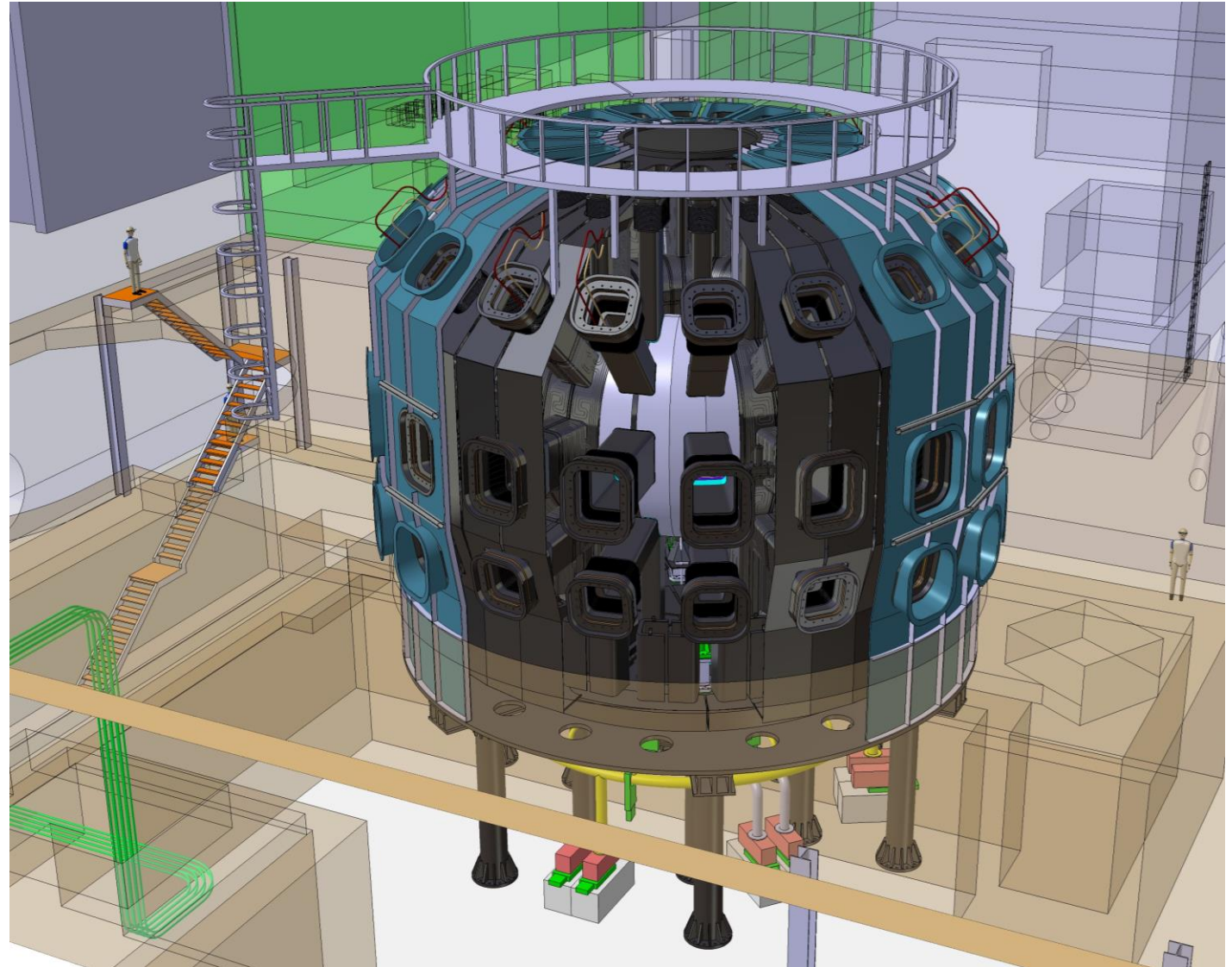


# Components and Systems



Vessel and Out Vessel components of the DTT tokamak:

- Cryostat Structure (CRS)
- Thermal Shield (THS)
- Vacuum Vessel and Ports Project (VVP)
- Tokamak Auxiliary Systems:
  - Vacuum Pumping System (VPS)
  - Fueling Control Systems (FCS)
  - Machine Cleaning (CLS)

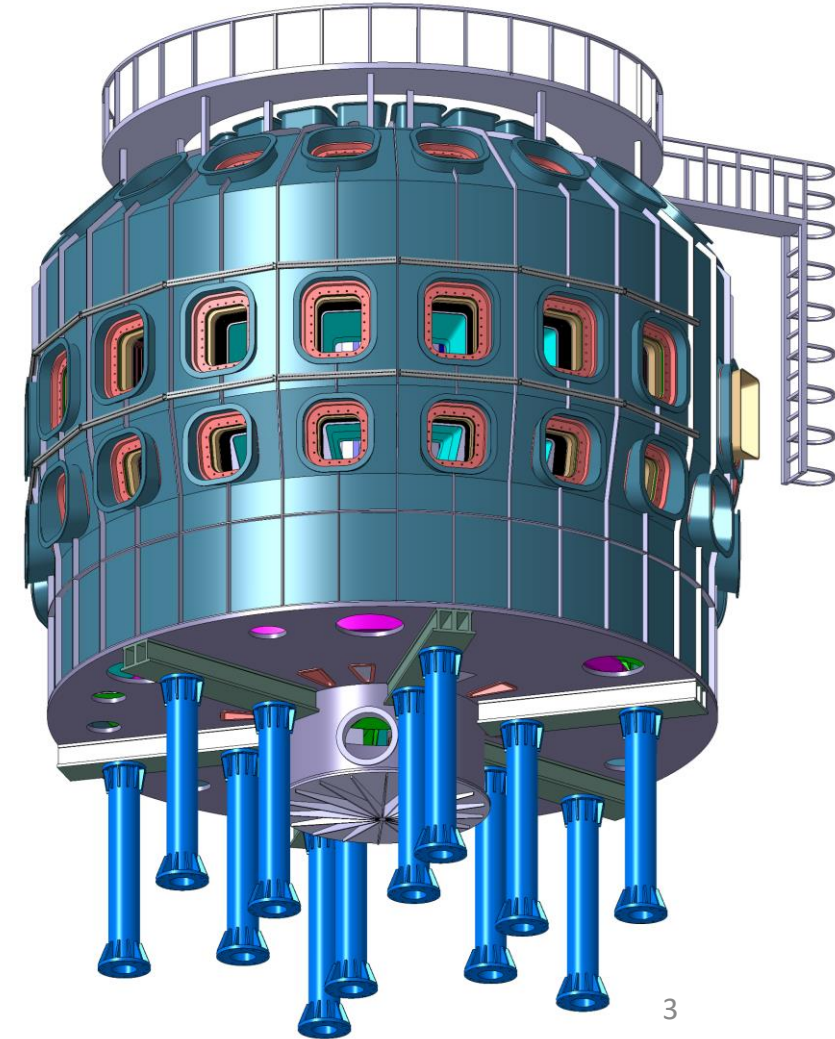




# Cryostat Structure (CRS)

- CRS parts: cylindrical body, top lid, base with central pit and manhole
- Status of CRS parameters is conceptual and they will be revised and confirmed during EDA

Parameter	Units	Value
Major diameter at equatorial section	[m]	11.2
Diameter at top plate basement level	[m]	10.8
Maximum height including basement	[m]	11
Basement Height	[m]	2.3
Maximum height of top lid	[m]	1.3
Structural Material	--	304LN - Co<0.05 wt%
Operational pressure Vacuum	[Pa]	$10^{-4}$ - $10^{-3}$
Thickness of the Cryostat walls	[mm]	30
Thickness of the external ribs	[mm]	25
Manufacturing tolerances	[mm]	$\pm 5$ - $\pm 10$
Estimated Mass of CRS cylindrical body	[tons]	66
Estimated Mass of CRS top lid	[tons]	16
Estimated Mass of CRS basement	[tons]	200
Number of ports interfaced with the vacuum vessel	--	82

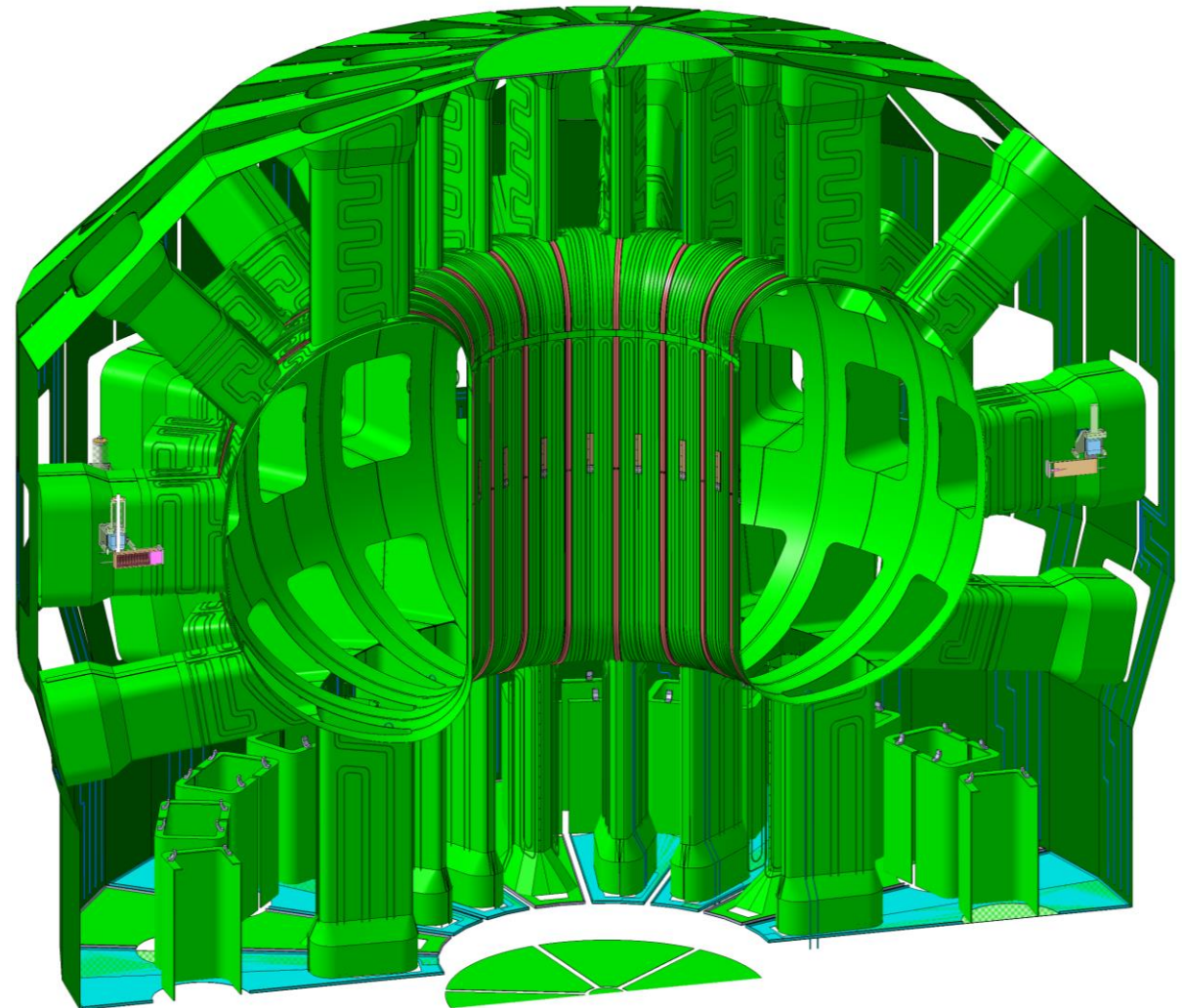
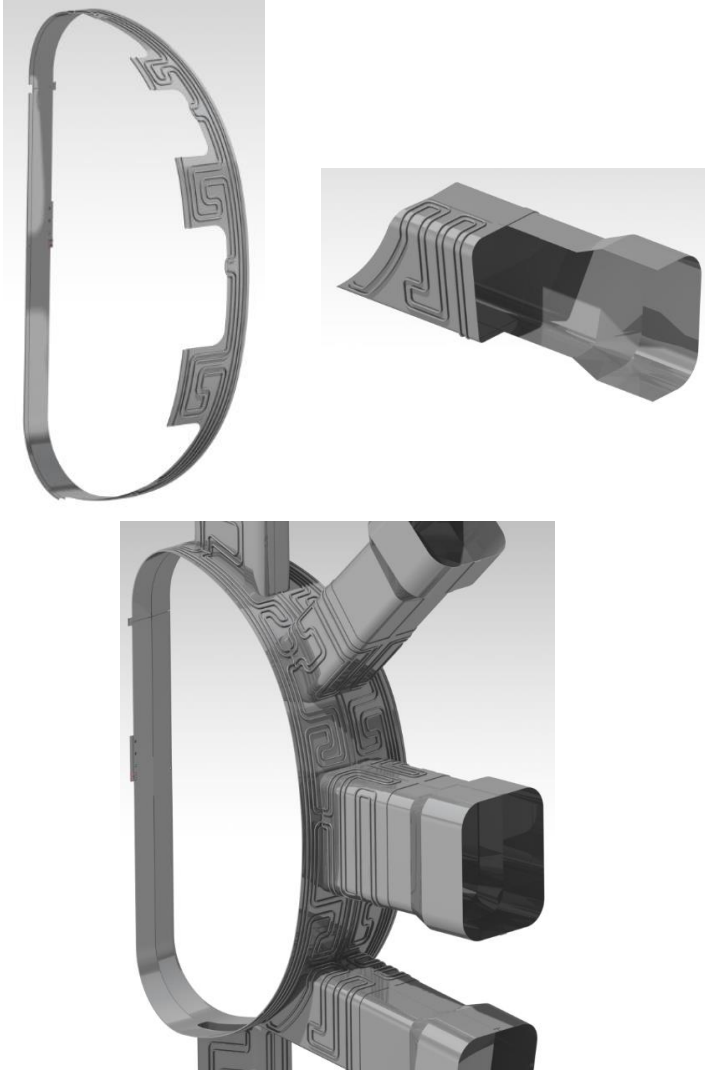




# Thermal Shield (THS) - 1



THS parts: Vacuum Vessel Thermal Shield (VVTs), Ports Thermal Shield (PTS), Cryostat Thermal Shield (CTS)





## Thermal Shield (THS) - 2

THS main characteristics:

- Tube-on-panel configuration (single wall)
- Silver plating
- Independent cooling loop for each toroidal sector
- Toroidal and poloidal electrical isolation

Parameter	Unit	Value
Surface areas of VVTS	m <sup>2</sup>	105
Surface area of PTS	m <sup>2</sup>	560
Surface area of CTS	m <sup>2</sup>	310
Panel thickness	mm	20
Total weight	kg	60·10 <sup>3</sup> (panels + frames + tubes)
Coolant	-	Gaseous Helium
Number of parallel cooling lines		36 with 100% redundancy (total of 72)
Cooling tube outer diameter	mm	13.5 / 17.2
THS Vacuum environment	Pa	10 <sup>-4</sup> - 10 <sup>-3</sup>
Material	-	316LN (VVTS, PTS), 316LN or 304LN (CTS), G-10
Manufacturing tolerance	-	±5 mm (VVTS), ±10 mm (PTS and CTS)

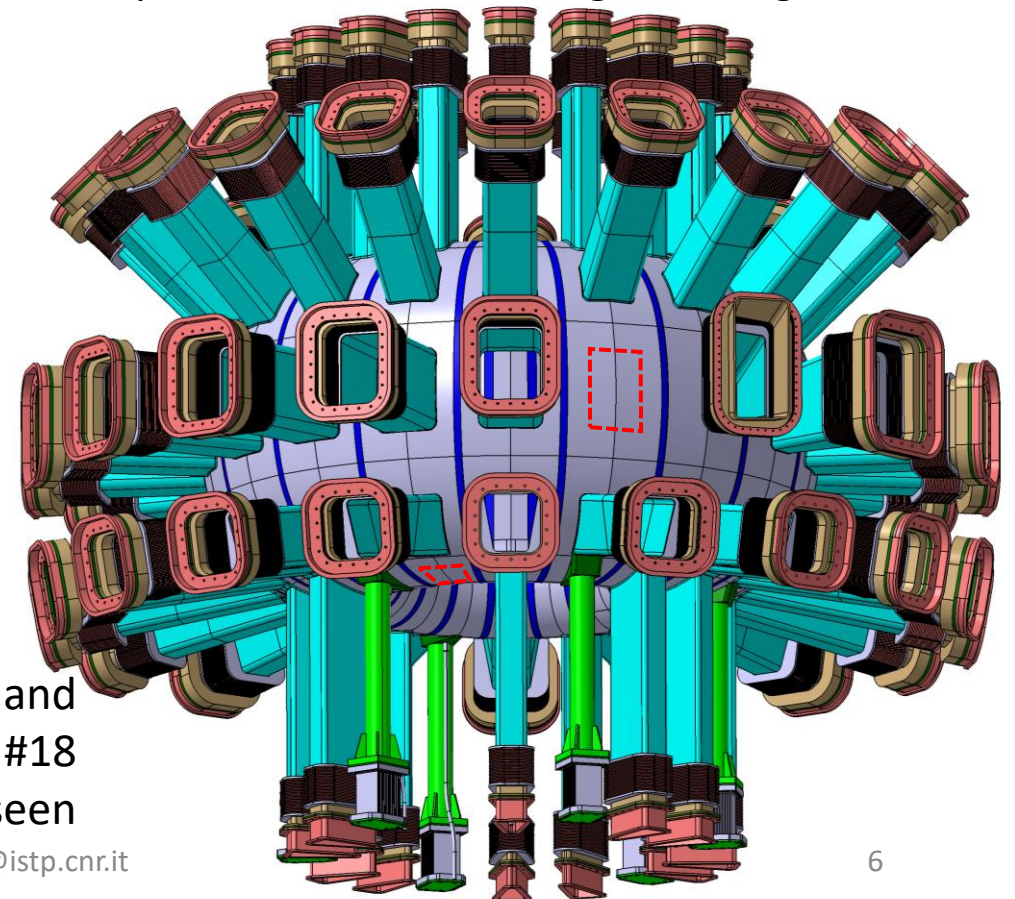


# Vacuum Vessel technical description - 1

DTT Vacuum Vessel (VV) functions and characteristics:

- first boundary of the plasma
- toroidal configuration with double wall D-shaped poloidal cross section
- double wall structure with inter-shell filled with water during plasma operation and with nitrogen during baking
- division in 17 sectors
- inclusion of 82 ports located:
  - every 20° in the toroidal direction
  - in 5 poloidal positions enumerated from the top, port #1, to the bottom, port #5
- inclusion of 6 gravity supports with spring plates
- smooth inner shell: field welding (on site) of supports of the in-vessel components

port #3 of toroidal position #6 and  
ports #5 of toroidal positions #3, #4, #6, #9, #12, #15, #18  
are not foreseen



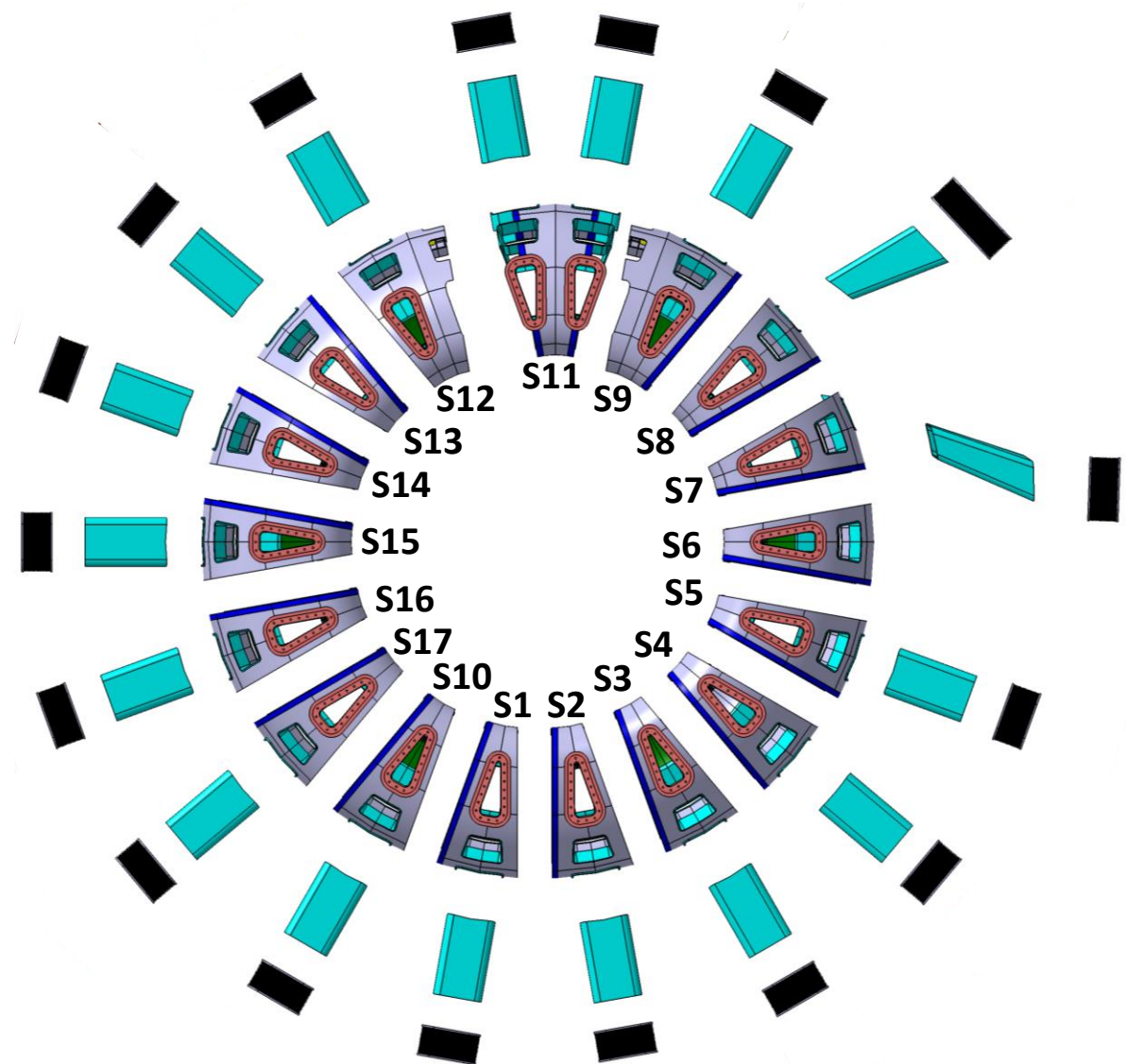
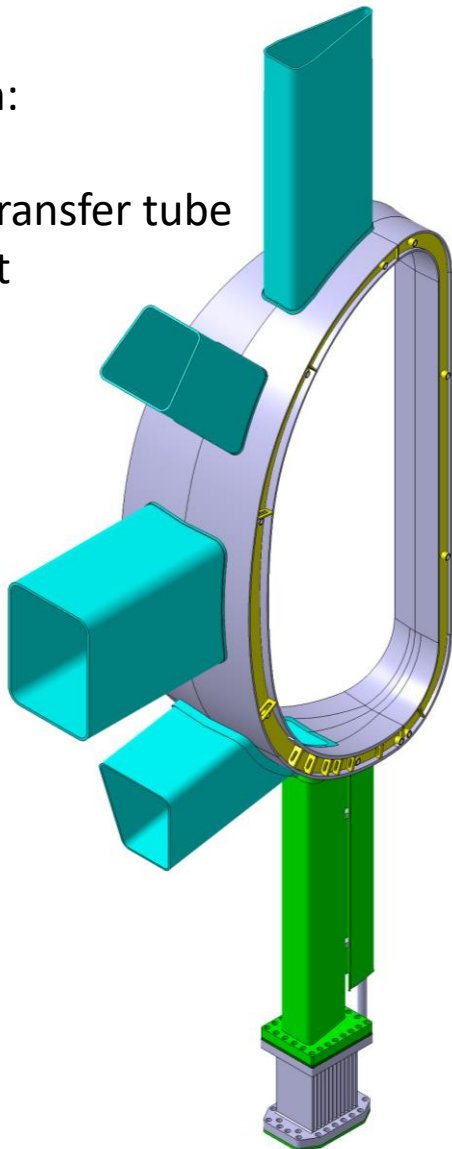


# Vacuum Vessel technical description - 2



Vessel sector with:

- ports
- primary heat transfer tube
- gravity support
- spring plates



# Vacuum Vessel main parameters



Parameter	Unit	Value
Shell thickness (inboard)	[mm]	15
Shell thickness (outboard)	[mm]	15
Distance between shells (inboard)	[mm]	90
Distance between shells (outboard)	[mm]	200
Ports thickness	[mm]	10-20
Material	--	316LN - Co<0.05 wt%
Thickness of inter-shell ribs	[mm]	10-20
Torus outboard diameter	[mm]	6900
Torus inboard diameter	[mm]	2530
Weight	[ton]	40 (main vessel body) 80
Torus height	[mm]	3910
Inter-shell volume	[m <sup>3</sup> ]	13.5
Volume of the VV - plasma side	[m <sup>3</sup> ]	75
External surface of the vacuum vessel (holes subtracted)	[m <sup>2</sup> ]	112



# Technical specification structure



Technical specification main document  
General provisions, Quality mgmt., Interfaces

Annex A  
Prototype  
sector

Annex B  
Vacuum Vessel

Annex C  
Expansion  
Joints

Annex D  
Machine  
Sensors

Annex E  
Internal Jig

Annex F  
Transportation  
& Rotation  
Tool

Advantages of this structure: No requirements mixing

Clear work package definitions

Easy work breakdown build up

Useful if subcontracting is used

Simpler requirements management

# Procurement deliverables



## Hardware deliverables:

- Prototype sector
- Vacuum Vessel sectors including:
  - vessel ports
  - gravity supports
  - machine sensors
- Splice plates:  
field welding (on site) for sector integration thus providing structural continuity and forming the vacuum boundary
- Expansion joints (82 flanged bellows)
- Internal Jig to be used for sector handling and integration
- Transportation & Rotation Tool

## Documentation, logistic, and assistance deliverables:

- Manufacturing Readiness Review
- Risk Register
- Qualification File
- Intermediate dimensional inspection using 3D metrology (laser tracker/ photogrammetry) integrated with manufacturing
- Manufacturing File with Drawings
- FAT (Plan and Report)
- Packing, Transport and Delivery
- SAT (Plan and Report)
- Operation and Maintenance Manual
- As built drawings and 3D CAD
- Welding Book including distortion management (Plan and Report)
- EU declaration of conformity
- Assistance in the first phase of on site assembly



# Design and Fabrication

- The vessel shall be manufactured consistently with the Codes and Standards requirements applying the design basis and loading conditions
- Code:
  - ASME Boiler and Pressure Code (BPVC), Section VIII, Division 2 apply to the DTT vacuum vessel
  - Design, Service, and Test Limits are defined in “NCA-2142.4 Design, Service, and Test Limits” of BPVC Section III, Subsection NCA (limits are shared with Section VIII)
- Procurement shall comply with the regulation of the Pressure Equipment Directive (PED)
- Classification: The DTT vacuum vessel fall within PED category III
- The VV manufacturer shall assume responsibility for the compliance of the pressure equipment with the requirements laid down in the PED and shall release the EU declaration of conformity stating that the fulfilment of essential safety requirements set out in Annex I of PED has been demonstrated

# Dimensional tolerances



Mandatory tolerances for construction:

## 1. General tolerances for machined products: class mK of ISO 2768-1 and ISO 2768-2

Table 1 — Permissible deviations for linear dimensions except for broken edges  
(external radii and chamfer heights, see Table 2)

Values in millimetres

Tolerance class		Permissible deviations for basic size range							
Designation	Description	0,5 <sup>a</sup> up to 3	over 3 up to 6	over 6 up to 30	over 30 up to 120	over 120 up to 400	over 400 up to 1 000	over 1 000 up to 2 000	over 2 000 up to 4 000
f	fine	± 0,05	± 0,05	± 0,1	± 0,15	± 0,2	± 0,3	± 0,5	—
m	medium	± 0,1	± 0,1	± 0,2	± 0,3	± 0,5	± 0,8	± 1,2	± 2
c	coarse	± 0,2	± 0,3	± 0,5	± 0,8	± 1,2	± 2	± 3	± 4
v	very coarse	—	± 0,5	± 1	± 1,5	± 2,5	± 4	± 6	± 8

<sup>a</sup>For nominal sizes below 0,5 mm, the deviations shall be indicated adjacent to the relevant nominal size(s).

Table 1 — General tolerances on straightness and flatness

Values in millimetres

Tolerance class	Straightness and flatness tolerances for ranges of nominal lengths					
	up to 10	over 10 up to 30	over 30 up to 100	over 100 up to 300	over 300 up to 1 000	over 1 000 up to 3 000
H	0,02	0,05	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
K	0,05	0,1	0,2	0,4	0,6	0,8
L	0,1	0,2	0,4	0,8	1,2	1,6

## 2. General tolerances for welded constructions, class BF in accordance with EN ISO 13920

Table 1 — Tolerances for linear dimensions

Tolerance class	Range of nominal sizes l in mm									
	2 to 30	Over 30 up to 120	Over 120 up to 400	Over 400 up to 1 000	Over 1 000 up to 2 000	Over 2 000 up to 4 000	Over 4 000 up to 8 000	Over 8 000 up to 12 000	Over 12 000 up to 16 000	Over 16 000 up to 20 000
Tolerances t in mm										
A		± 1	± 1	± 2	± 3	± 4	± 5	± 6	± 7	± 8
B	± 1	± 2	± 2	± 3	± 4	± 6	± 8	± 10	± 12	± 14
C		± 3	± 4	± 6	± 8	± 11	± 14	± 18	± 21	± 24
D		± 4	± 7	± 9	± 12	± 16	± 21	± 27	± 32	± 36

Table 3 — Straightness, flatness and parallelism tolerances

Tolerance class	Range of nominal sizes l in mm (relates to longer side of the surface)									
	Over 30 up to 120	Over 120 up to 400	Over 400 up to 1 000	Over 1 000 up to 2 000	Over 2 000 up to 4 000	Over 4 000 up to 8 000	Over 8 000 up to 12 000	Over 12 000 up to 16 000	Over 16 000 up to 20 000	Over 20 000
Tolerances t in mm										
E	0,5	1	1,5	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
F	1	1,5	3	4,5	6	8	10	12	14	16
G	1,5	3	5,5	9	11	16	20	22	25	25
H	2,5	5	9	14	18	26	32	36	40	40

Inner shell overall dimensions and tolerance for **main body: 1800-3700 mm**

→ **± 5 mm**

**sector assy: 3400-8400 mm**

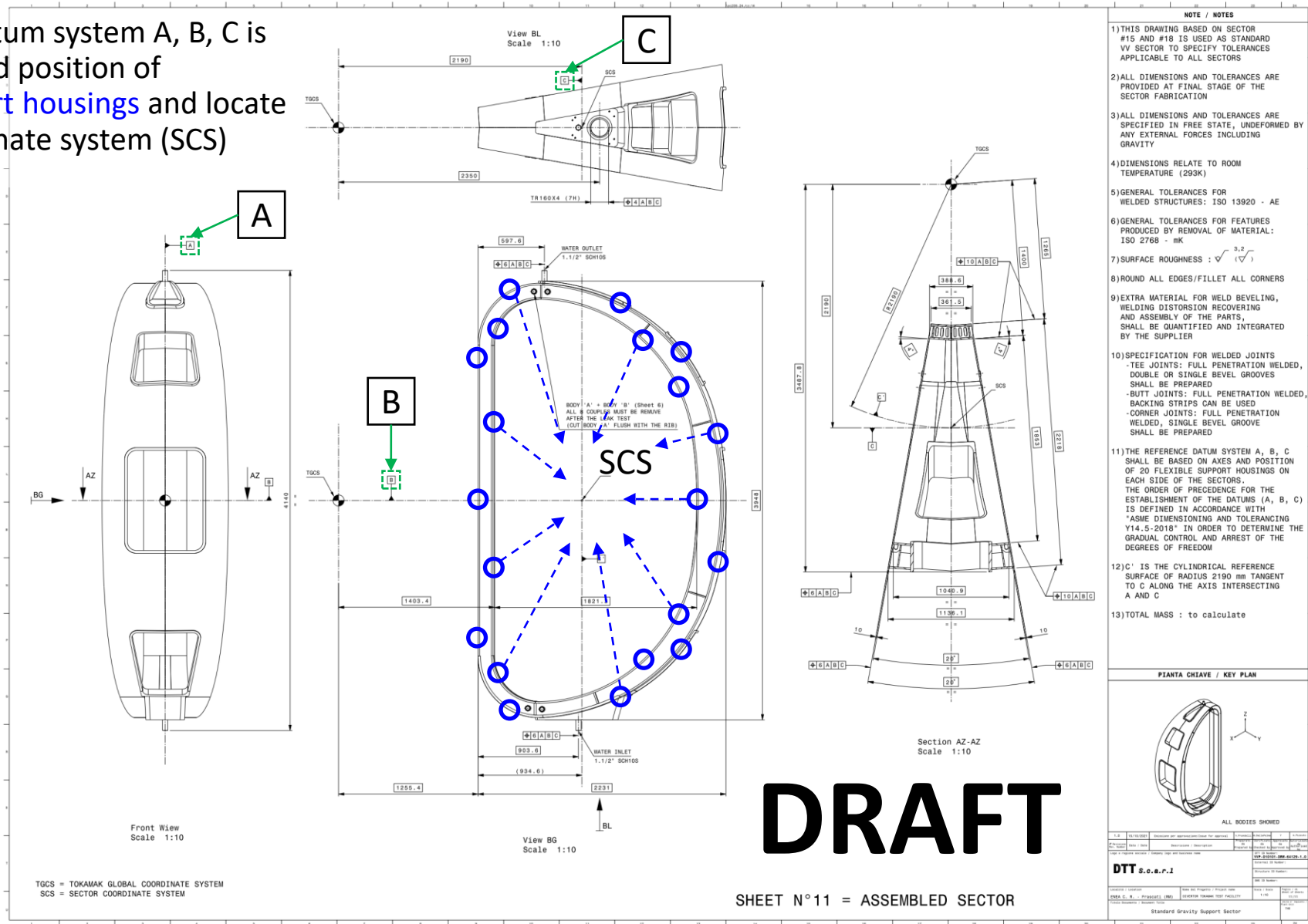
→ **± 10 mm**



# Technical specification drawings of DTT vessel sectors



The reference datum system A, B, C is based on axes and position of 20 flexible support housings and locate the sector coordinate system (SCS)



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# Prototype sector - 1



One prototype sector used for **qualification of processes during the procurement for manufacturing production sectors**:

- sector lifting using the internal jig
  - welding procedures (TIG on UHV side welded first, MIG on non-UHV side)
  - weld repairs
  - sequence of welds to minimize weld distortions on shells and ports
  - measurement of post welding distortions (same tolerances of production sectors)
  - verification of accesses for weld execution and testing
  - integration of port stubs and alignment of port ducts
  - Non Destructive Testing, in particular helium leak testing and UT of welded joints.
- } Weld distortion management required to the manufacturer before fabrication can commence

Moreover, the prototype sector will be delivered for **qualification of processes on site**:

- integration of ports and bellows
- testing of automated welding processes
- frequency of intermediate dimensional tests for dimensional control
- integration of divertor and first wall supports.

## Prototype sector - 2



Welding procedures: TIG, MIG

Base material:

Standard 316LN (without limitation in the cobalt content) is specified for the prototype sector (classified as austenitic stainless steels with  $\text{Cr} \leq 19\%$ , P-number.group number = 8.1) [Table QW/QB-422 of ASME BPVC.IX and ISO 15608].

Filler metal:

- Bare electrodes or rods of ER316LMn, nonmagnetic and with high Mn-content to stabilize the austenitic microstructure and to aid in hot cracking (classified AWS 5.9 Class ER316LMn, ASME SFA 5.9 Class ER316LMn, UNS S31682, DIN 1.4455 A#9 F#6).
- The same filler metal will be used for welding the production sectors.
- The tensile properties, bend ductility, and soundness of welds will be determined during welding procedure qualification.
- Procedures of tests for mechanical properties will be specified in accordance with Standard Methods for Mechanical Testing of Welds in QW-202 of ASME BPVC.IX and AWS B4.0M.

Alternative base material for manufacturing the prototype sector:

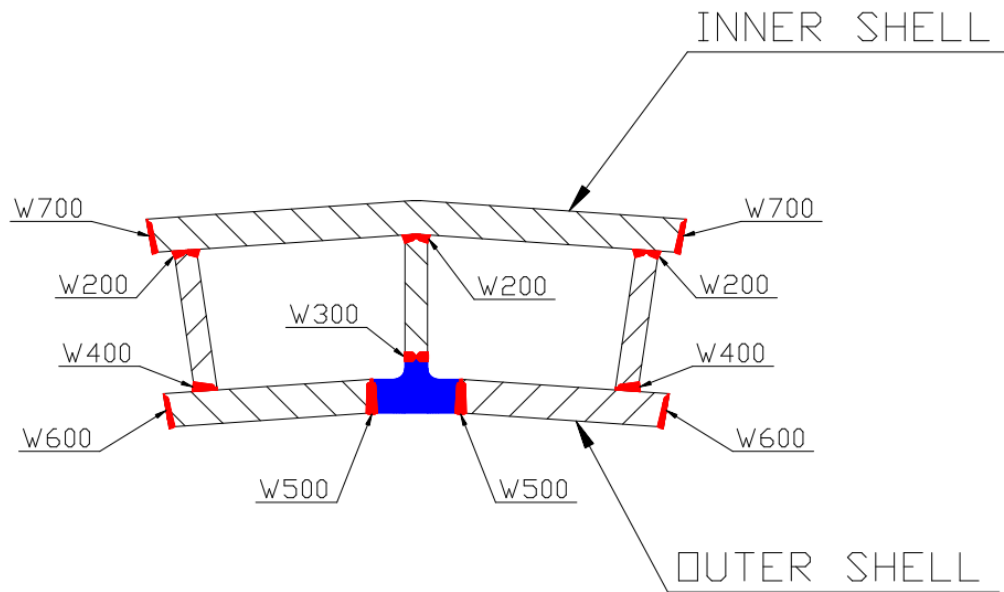
- In case 316LN will not be available on the market in order to manufacture the prototype sector within the required schedule, 316L can be procured instead because it belongs to the same base material group (8.1).
- Also using 316L, welds will be qualified for both prototype and production sectors as maintaining constant the welding variables that are critical to making acceptable welds (essential variables).

Magnetic permeability measured on welded 316L base metal should be carefully evaluated before considered as a significant measurement for the production of vessel sectors.

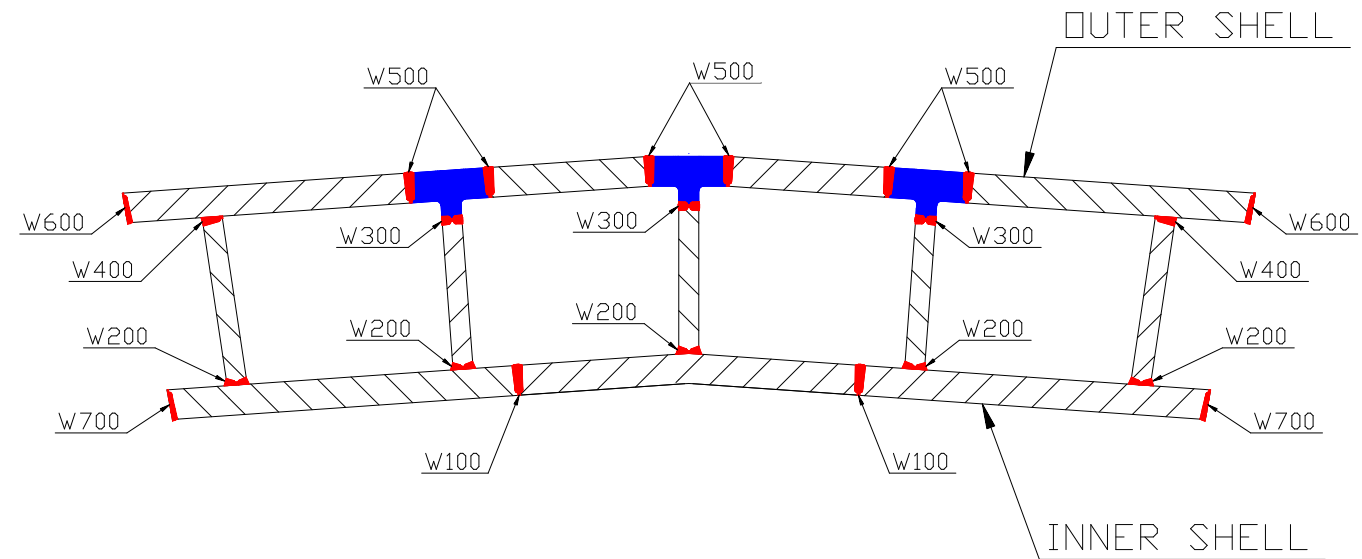
# Types of welds on inner and outer shells



INBOARD



OUTBOARD



The inner shell will be the first fabricated part of the vacuum vessel double walled structure because of following reasons:

- a) facing to the UHV (plasma) side of first and second passes at the weld root, made through the reliable and clean TIG process (MIG can be used to deposit passes over the first two for thick pieces);
- b) larger toroidal width of plates to be joined thus reducing the welding heat input at the coolant-vacuum barrier;
- c) inspectability with radiographic test (RT) after joining the shell plates and then after joining reinforcing ribs;
- d) flexibility in positioning the welded joints for supports of in-vessel components in order to prevent lamellar tearing.



# Types and tests of welds



Detail				Weld process		Non destructive testing	
Ref.	Weld joint sketch	Type of joint [RCC-MRx RD3800]	Edge preparation	Weld mode	Process number	Type	Extent
W100		I.2 butt welding, full penetration, two sides accessible, gaseous back protection	single-U groove	001 manual	141 (TIG) root layer	VT	100%
						LT	100%
					131 (MIG) overlay layers	VT	100%
						RT	100%
W200		III.1 T, full penetration, two sides accessible, back welding	double-J groove	001 manual	141 (TIG) root layer	VT	100%
						UT	100%
					131 (MIG) overlay layers	ET	100%
						ET	100%
W300		I.1 butt welding, full penetration, two sides accessible, back welding	double-U groove	001 manual	141 (TIG) root layer	VT	100%
						RT	100%
					131 (MIG) overlay layers	ET	100%
						ET	100%

Quality levels for imperfections:

- Level B as per EN ISO 5817
- Level 1 in accordance with ISO 10675-1 (RT)

Detail				Weld process		Non destructive testing	
Ref.	Weld joint sketch	Type of joint [RCC-MRx RD3800]	Edge preparation	Weld mode	Process number	Type	Extent
W400		III.2 T, full penetration, back side inaccessible, gaseous back protection	J-groove	001 manual	141 (TIG) root layer	VT	100%
						UT	100%
					131 (MIG) overlay layers	ET	100%
						ET	100%
W500		II.1 butt welding, full penetration, back side inaccessible, gaseous protection	single-U groove	001 manual	141 (TIG) root layer	VT	100%
						UT	100%
					131 (MIG) overlay layers	ET	100%
						ET	100%
W600		I.2 butt welding, full penetration, two sides accessible, gaseous back protection	single-U groove	002 automatic	141 (TIG) root layer	VT	100%
						RT	100%
					131 (MIG) overlay layers	ET	100%
						ET	100%
W700		II.1 butt welding, full penetration, back side inaccessible, gaseous protection	single-U groove	002 automatic	141 (TIG) root layer	VT	100%
						UT	100%
					131 (MIG) overlay layers	ET	100%
						ET	100%



# Non destructive testing and weld repairs

Testing sequence:

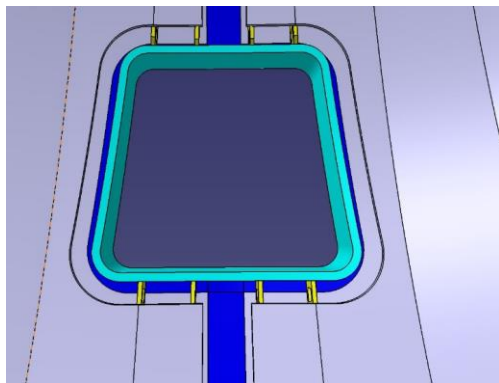
- A. Visual test (VT):
  - i. after completion of the root pass (first TIG pass)
  - ii. after completion of the repair
- B. Volumetric test on the completed multi-pass weld:
  - i. radiographic test (RT) will be performed
  - ii. where RT is impractical → ultrasonic test (UT, phased-array) will be performed
  - iii. where UT is impractical → the volumetric test is replaced by production proof samples (PPS):
    - visual inspection (VT)
    - penetrant testing (PT)
    - examination via sectioned macrographs and micrographs
- C. Leak test (LT) after completion of the root pass
- D. Pressure test (PT) after completion of the repair
- E. Leak test (LT) after completion of the repair  
high sensitivity is achieved by applying the hood method to check the leak tightness of the inter-shell volume, hood method in order to detect leakages down to  $1\text{E-}9$  -  $1\text{E-}8$  mbar l/s  
(EN 13185, ASTM E 1603-99, ASME V Art. 10)

## On site integration - final sector

Main requirements:

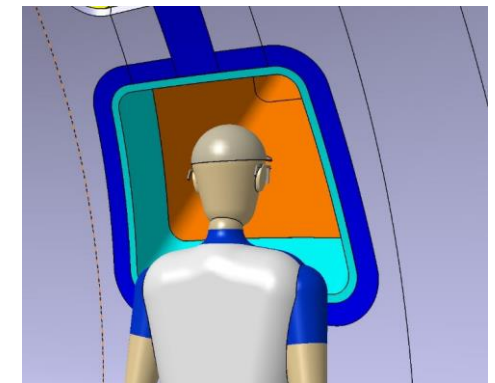
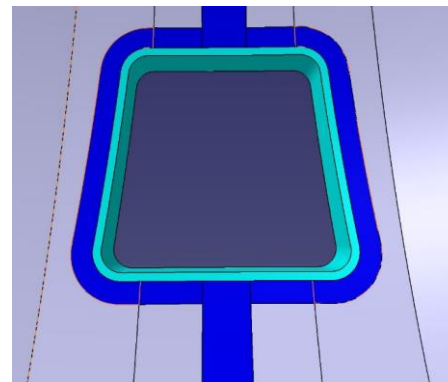
- in-vessel attachments as permanent supports of the in-vessel components will be welded in correspondence of the inter-shell reinforcing ribs
- also plates as temporary attachments of the internal jig will be welded in correspondence of the inter-shell reinforcing ribs for sector handling during manufacturing and assembly
- welding onto existing welds is denied as well as close to the heat affected zones
- non destructive testing of weld attachments will be required with visual test, eddy current, and ultrasonic tests (specific requirements will be prepared as for vessel construction welds)

Final sector integration: port stubs made of a single part and welding of splice frame and splice plate:



Poloidal rib welding from the inner side

Welding of splice frame and plate from the inner side



Welding and inspection of the port duct



# Expansion joints (bellows) specifications

- Helium leak rate  $1.0\text{E-}9$  mbar l/s including interspace testing (Swagelok or similar fitting will be integrated in the construction)
- Number of cycles for bellows design: 2000
  - The number of cycles for bellows design is greater than the expected number of both plasma disruptions (1750) and baking cycles (150)
- Temperatures:
  - maximum expected operation temperature: baking temperature
  - minimum expected operation temperature: room temperature
- Expansion joint construction:
  - multi-ply bellows design
  - interspace testing with Swagelok or similar fitting integrated in the construction
  - inner/outer sleeve as support for heating/thermal insulation
- Bellows and flange material:
  - 1.4404, 1.4435 (316L) or 1.4406, 1.4429 (316LN)
  - Cobalt limitation ( $\text{Co} < 0.05$  wt%) could be negotiated considering the total mass of bellows material in the tokamak and the maintenance strategy
- Assumption about bellows expected expansions:
  - thermal expansions and shock loads obtained by simulations



# Ports and Expansion Joints



vessel sector	port/ bellows	inner poloidal size [mm]	inner toroidal size [mm]	outer poloidal size [mm]	outer toroidal size [mm]	building length [mm]
Vessel standard sectors	port #1	794	288	824	318	-
	bellows #1	845	320	985	460	450
	port #2	530	600	560	630	-
	bellows #2	620	660	760	800	450
	port #3	900	680	940	720	-
	bellows #3	950	730	1090	870	450
	port #4	650	599	680	629	-
	bellows #4	720	700	860	840	450
	port #5	750	321	780	351	-
	bellows #5	780	360	920	500	450
Vessel special sector #7	port #3	-	-	-	-	-
	bellows #3	1200	800	1340	940	450
Vessel special sector #8	port #3	-	-	-	-	-
	bellows #3	1090	1110	1230	1250	450

# Machine sensors



Function	Location	Total measurement points	Number of sensors per sector	Total Sensors
Temperature condition monitoring	Inner VV	144	16	900
	Outer VV	180	20	
	VVP	90	10	
	VVS	36	/	
Temperature load characterization	Inner VV	360	40	1980
	Outer VV	360	40	
	VVP	270	15	
Displacement	Outer VV	108	12	1692
	VVS	18	/	
	VVP	720	80	
Deformation	Outer VV	72	8	912
	VVS	24	/	
	VVP	360	40	
Acceleration	Outer VV	54	/	852
	VVP	360	40	
	VVS	12	24	

**DRAFT: quantity and position of sensors are under review**

# Schedule



Main assumptions with 40.3 months of procurement contract:

- one prototype sector will be produced first to qualify manufacturing and testing procedures;
- the prototype sector will be delivered 12 months after kick off meeting;
- standard 316LN (without limitation of Co content) will be procured for manufacturing the prototype sector;
- manufacturing drawings of production sectors will be updated and issued after completion of tests on the prototype sector;
- manufacturing of 1<sup>st</sup> sector requires 6.5 months to implement production processes;
- 40 days are considered between deliveries of sectors (from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>).

# Schematic schedule



#	Activity	month -4	month -3	month -2	month -1	month 0	month 1	month 2	month 3	month 4	month 5	month 6	month 7	month 8	month 9	month 10	month 11	month 12	month 13	month 14	month 15	month 16	month 17	month 18	month 19	month 20	month 21	...	month 39	month 40	month 41
1	Independent EM analyses and structural verifications																														
2	Design Review with External Panel																														
3	Technical Specification Activity																														
4	Call for Tender + Evaluation of the tender submissions																														
5	Selection of vendor & Award of contract																														
6	KoM + Manufacturing Readiness Review																														
7	Manufacturing Drawings																														
8	Procurement of raw materials																														
9	Tools & equipment																														
10	Internal jig + Transportation & rotation tool																														
11	Qualification of processes (manufacturing, welding, testing)																														
12	Sector prototype manufacturing & testing																														
13	Drawing updated with outcomes of prototyping																														
14	Bellows + Splice plates + Sensors																														
15	VV sector 01 (fabrication + FAT + delivery + SAT)																														
16	VV sector 02 (fabrication + FAT + delivery + SAT)																														
17	VV sector 17 (fabrication + FAT + delivery + SAT)																														

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# Schedule - welding areas



Welding areas: 110 working days per sector (150 calendar days) -> 4 welding areas, full time,  
1 working shift (clamping with specific templates will require more welding areas)

Three main welding areas working in parallel are identified for the fabrication of the inboard and outboard segments:

- rib welding on the inner shell
- welding of stubs
- outer shell welding

The number of welding areas for the fabrication of the segments and their integration is in the range 4-7.

Assuming 3 persons working in each area during 28 months (m12 -> m40), the amount of required PPY is up to 49 (excluding preliminary activities [mock-up/prototype], engineering and management).

Plate cutting area: 15 working days per sector (20 calendar days) -> 1 cutting area, half time,  
1 work shift

Plate shaping area: 15 working days per sector (20 calendar days) -> 1 shaping area, half time,  
1 work shift

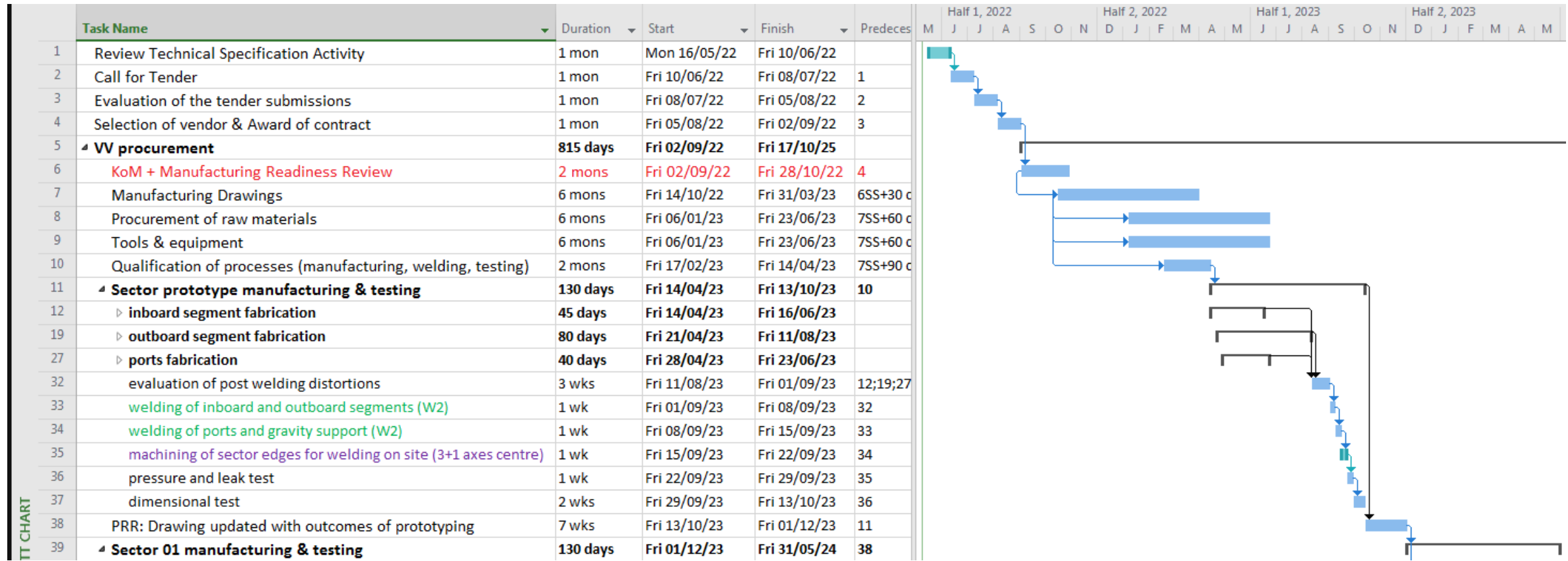
Machining centre (4 axes): 30 working days per sector (40 calendar days) -> 1 machining centre, full time,  
1 work shift



# Schedule - detailed schedule



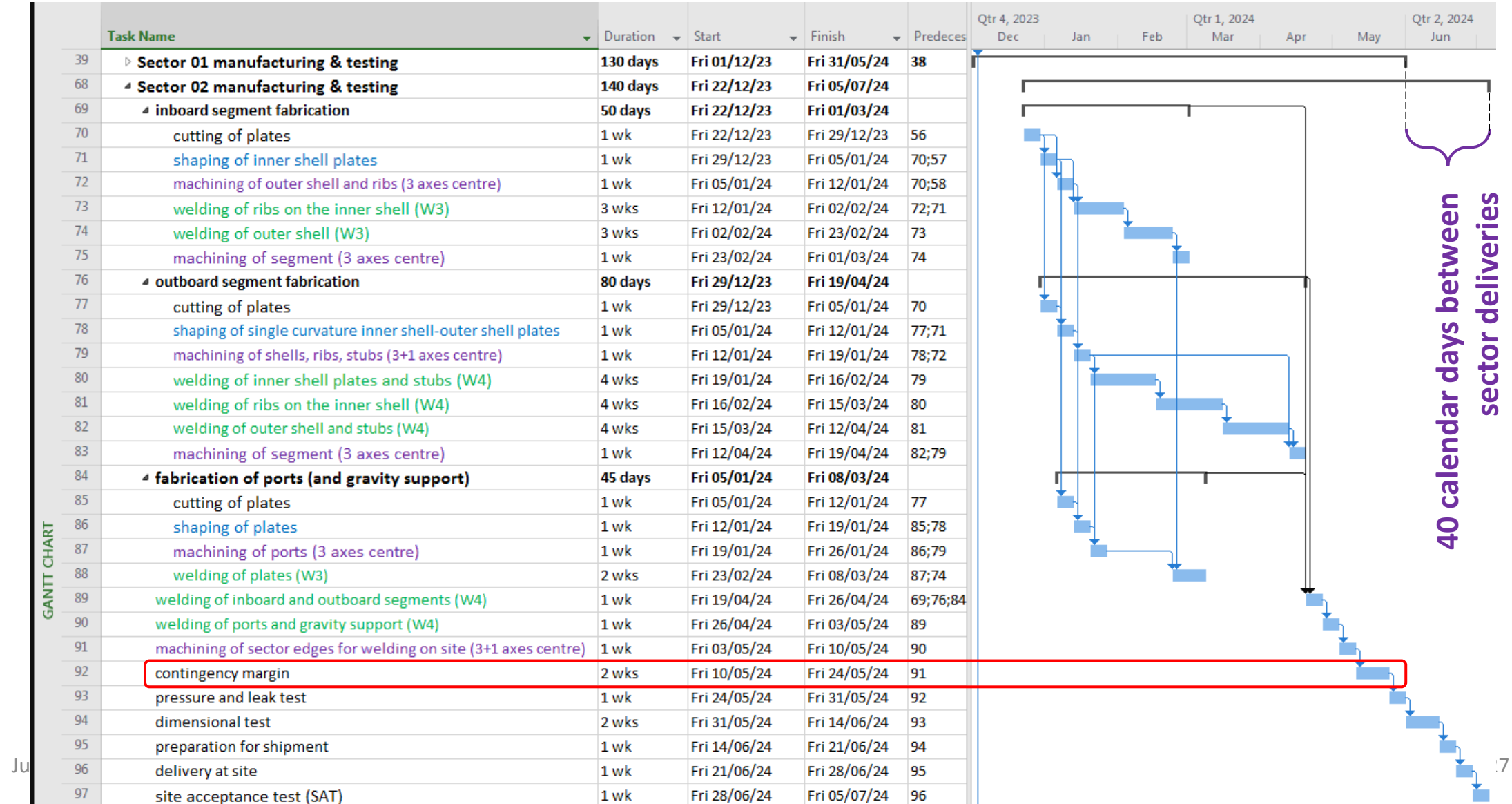
Procurement activities start with manufacturing & testing of the prototype sector to qualify fabrication processes:



# Schedule - detailed schedule



Sector 02 manufacturing & testing: 6.5 months





#### Procedure for DTT Vacuum Vessel:

- Estimated time for launch: within 2022 (assembly sequence and design under revision)
- Type of procedure: open
- Delivery to Frascati DDP

#### Website:

- Bandi di gara pubblicati da DTT S.C. a R.L. ([www.dtt-project.it/index.php/dtt-tenders.html](http://www.dtt-project.it/index.php/dtt-tenders.html))

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