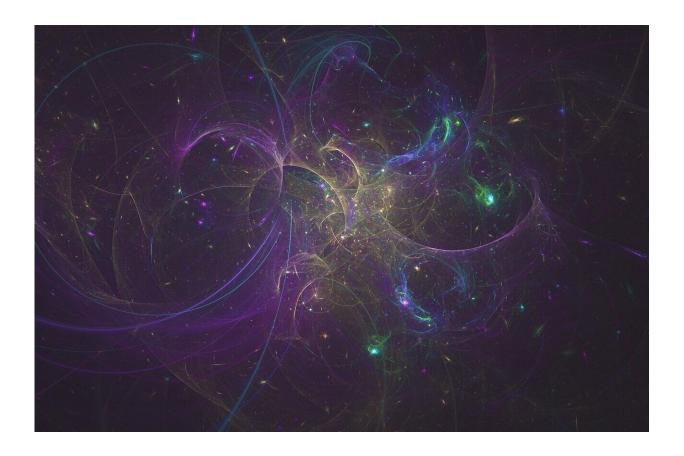


## Calling all 'fusioneers'! New US fusion energy website launches

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The U.S. Fusion Outreach Team, a grassroots organization in the fusion community focused on reducing barriers to outreach efforts, has launched a new centralized website to engage an expanding workforce,



media, educators, and the public in the journey toward a world powered by fusion energy.

The U.S. fusion community has just completed a two year strategic planning process to focus on a bold new direction: the construction of a prototype fusion power plant by 2035 (NAS report). Following a recommendation from the consensus reports created by researchers (Community Planning Process and Powering the Future reports), a diverse committee of stakeholders from the U.S. fusion energy community has collaborated to build usfusionenergy.org. The website will feature the latest fusion news and informative articles, events, and resources that will help anyone, anywhere, understand the promise of fusion energy.

The timing of this website launch could not be more relevant. The 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference, also known as <u>COP26</u>, is underway in Glasgow as <u>world leaders</u> decide how to tackle climate change. Additionally, the U.S. Congress is currently debating policy on transitioning the country to clean energy. The development of fusion energy as a new power source will be revolutionary to both initiatives.

Furthermore, fusion energy is building momentum in the United States and around the world. The National Ignition Facility in California announced a significant <u>step forward</u> for laser-driven fusion this August. Additionally, Commonwealth Fusion Systems in Massachusetts <u>recently leaped forward</u> in magnet-driven fusion technology. Worldwide, the international ITER project in France reports steady progress with the first plasma scheduled for 2025.

With such advancements, there has never been a better time to get involved in fusion energy! The United States is teeming with private companies seeking to commercialize fusion, and the industry will need talent of all backgrounds. To meet the moment, the new website,



<u>usfusionenergy.org</u>, prioritizes featuring jobs and opportunities across the United States to expand the definition of "Fusioneer," one who is involved in the fusion <u>energy</u> community.

Steffi Diem and Arturo Dominguez, co-leaders of the U.S. Fusion Outreach Team, are coordinating this effort. "We're excited to launch the U.S. Fusion Energy website to provide resources and up-to-date news on our field," said Dominguez. Diem also added, "We hope that this website will engage the public to be part of the <u>fusion</u> movement, recruit a diverse workforce and to provide a community for U.S. fusioneers."

The new <u>fusion energy</u> website is for those pushing toward a <u>clean</u> <u>energy</u> future and who want to support this effort. To learn more, visit <u>usfusionenergy.org</u>.

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