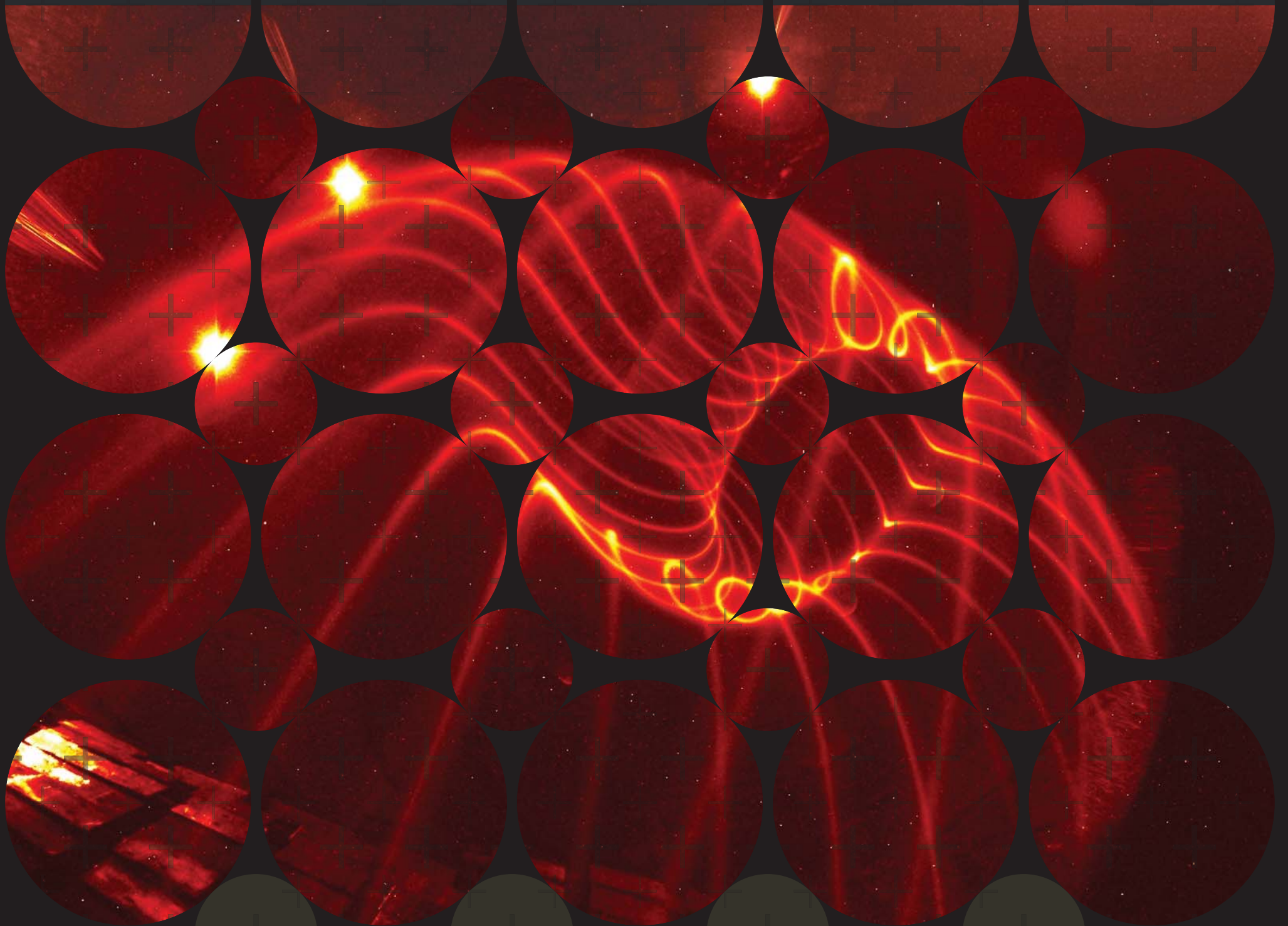


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Immense amounts of energy can be produced by bringing a deuterium-tritium plasma to temperatures of 10-20 keV (appr. 100-200 million degrees C).

Although we have not yet shown net electricity production from fusion, great progress has been made towards that goal.

In 2015, the fusion experiment Wendelstein 7-X (W7-X) started operation in Germany.

It represents a new generation of computer-designed magnetic field configurations, so-called optimized stellarators.

This talk will give an introduction to fusion energy research, describe the advantages and challenges specific to stellarators, highlight recent results from W7-X, and put these results in a larger fusion perspective.

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