

PostDocs and PhD students: *annual gathering?*

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Introduction

After the successful completion of the mid-term workshop of the C15 PostDocs and PhD students in Zurich (see http://www.chipp.ch/documents/C15_WS_summary_final.pdf), the idea of an annual gathering of this group of people has emerged. The most beneficial element of the workshop presentations laid in the fact that the speakers focussed on their own contributions covering all aspects of LHC activities including detector operation, maintenance and performance, analysis achievements and computing service experience. This perspective allowed much more insight into the work of each individual than one usually gets when 'experiment progress' is presented at national and international conferences.

Proposal

It is therefore proposed to extend the scientific topic to all CHIPP research fields and to bring together once per year as many CHIPP PostDocs and PhD students as possible in the aim of getting a brief but concise insight into their work.

In order to not overload the already rather busy schedule of the CHIPP Members, it is further proposed to combine this gathering alternating between the annual meeting of the SPS and the CHIPP Plenary.

The Board is invited to **discuss** this proposal and (applying Article 27, litt. q) to **approve** it.

Required majority: simple