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# CHIPP Board meeting

Welcome to the:

- Board members
- Honorary Board members
- Observers at the Board

New Board member:

- Camille Bonvin, Uni. GE (Theory)
- Igor Kreslo, Uni. BE
- Martin Kunz, Uni. GE (Theory)
- Florian Piegsa, Uni. BE

# Agenda item 1: Agenda

- The final Agenda has been distributed on 28 February.
- All documents have been made available on a confidential CHIPP internet page.

➔ **Agenda approved ?**

## Agenda item 2: Proxy Votes

- The following Proxies have been designated:
  - Günther Dissertori (for *Rainer Wallny*)
  - Malte Hildebrandt (for *Stefan Ritt*)
  - Ben Kilminster (for *Gino Isidori*)
  - Klaus Kirch (for *Friedrich-Karl Thielemann*)
  - Bernd Krusche (for *Stefan Antusch*)
  - Olivier Schneider (for *Aurelio Bay*)

## Agenda item 2: Apologies & Quorum

- The following apologies have been received:
  - Martin Kunz
  - Philippe Mermod
  - Xin Wu
- Board members with voting rights: 67
- Quorum (1/3 of Board): 23 votes, reached ?

## Agenda item 3: Minutes of the last meeting

- Final draft minutes of the CHIPP Board 2016-03 (14 October 2016) have been made available on [www.chipp.ch](http://www.chipp.ch) together with the other Board documents.

➔ **The Board is invited**

- **to approve** the minutes of the last meeting

Base: Art. 27, litt. a; simple majority

## Agenda item 4: Closure of the 2016 Accounts (1)

### **Annual Report 2016** (*distributed*)

- CHIPP's Annual Report is to be delivered to SCNAT and is thus structured along the SCNAT guidelines.

### **Annual Accounts 2016**

- The ***Profit and Loss Statement*** (*distributed*) shows the expenditures and income of the Association for the year 2016 and the end result.
- The ***Balance Sheet*** (*distributed*) shows the change in assets between the end of 2015 and the end of 2016.
- The ***Independent Auditor's Report*** (*distributed*)

# Agenda item 4: Closure of the 2016 Accounts (2)

## Profit and Loss Statement 2016

- **Income: 133'830.– CHF**
  - CHIPP membership fees: 84'330.–
  - Contribution SCNAT: 26'000.– (for SWHEPPS, ZuoZ & Outreach)
  - Contribution for EPPCN: SERI: 15'000.– & CERN: 5'000.–
- **Expenditure: 136'664.50 CHF**
  - Salary administrated by UZH: 91'000.– (with 0.1 FTE for EPPCN)
  - Outreach, Schools, Conferences, Workshops: 36'749.20
  - SCNAT membership fees: 3'234.–
  - Prize money: 3'000.–
  - CHIPP meetings and administrative (travel) costs: 2'679.30
- **Profit (+) / Loss (-): -2'834.50 CHF**

# Agenda item 4: Closure of the 2016 Accounts (3)

## Balance Sheet

- Assets at end-2016: 118'841.64 (*end-2015: 94'636.14*)
  - This includes transitory liabilities of 61'410.- (membership fees 2017 + SERI support to EPPCN already paid in 2016, and to be paid support to Zuoz & PSI 2016) and transitory assets of 26'000.- (SCNAT support to be reimbursed in 2017)
  - **Net assets** at end-2016: **57'431.64** (*end-2015: 60'266.14*)
- **Decrease in assets** 2016: **-2'834.50 CHF** (*2015: -3'209.01*)

## Auditor's report

- The audit took place on 7 Feb. 2017 in Zurich with two auditors – Ben Kilminster (UZH) & Michele Weber (Bern) – in presence of Marc Türlér (administrator), and Monika Röllin (accountant, UZH).
- According to the auditors, the statements fairly represent the financial position of CHIPP, have been prepared with care and comply with statutory requirements.



## Agenda item 4: Closure of the 2016 Accounts (4)

### ➔ **The Board is invited**

- **to approve** the Annual Report 2016 to be made publicly accessible on the CHIPP website;

### ➔ **Following the positive recommendation of the auditors, the Board is invited**

- **to approve** the Annual Accounts, the Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Statement for the year 2016;
- **to formally discharge** the CHIPP EB and the CHIPP Administration for the year 2016, expressing at the same time its thanks and appreciation for the careful accounting.

Base: Article 27, litt.u and litt. v; simple majority

## Agenda item 5: Election of an account auditor

- An audit is mandatory by Swiss law for the CHIPP association
  - Ben Kilminster (Uni. ZH) and Michele Weber (Uni. BE) have been elected as auditors from June 2015 to June 2018.
  - Michele Weber wishes to step down to avoid conflict of interest with his new mandate as EB member.
  - Due to the small task the EB identified a suitable candidate without a call for nominations.
  - Aurelio Bay (EPFL) is ready to serve as auditor.
- ➔ **The Board is invited**
- **to elect Aurelio Bay** as CHIPP account auditor for a three-year mandate from June 2017 to June 2020.

Base: Article 27, litt. e; simple majority

## Agenda item 6: Support to Swiss NuPECC membership (1)

- Switzerland is a member of the Nuclear Physics European Collaboration Committee (NuPECC) and is represented by Bernd Krusche (Uni. Basel) since January 2009.
- In 2012 the CHIPP EB agreed on a position paper (*distributed*) concerning NuPECC's role in Switzerland.
- The SNSF ceased its previous funding of NuPECC via the European Science Foundation (ESF), its mother organisation.
- A direct funding of NuPECC by SNSF could still be possible.
- Support for this continued funding should come from CHIPP.
- A list of Swiss activities (*distributed*) belonging to the topics covered by NuPECC and benefitting from NuPECC has been prepared by about 50 people under leadership of Klaus Kirch.

## Agenda item 6: Support to Swiss NuPECC membership (2)

- In view of this document and of the position paper of 2012, which is still pertinent, the EB brings the topic to the Board.

➔ **The Board is invited**

- **to recognise** NuPECC as an important organisation for particle physics in Switzerland;
- **to approve** a CHIPP recommendation to the SNSF to continue funding the Swiss membership in NuPECC.

Base: Article 27, litt. b and litt. c; simple majority

# Agenda item 7: Pillar 1 White Paper

## **Introduction**

- ▶ Günther Dissertori, on behalf of Rainer Walny

## **Discussion**

# Introduction

- The Strategy Workshop on High-Energy Particle Physics in Switzerland (SWHEPPS) was held in June 2016.
- The SWHEPPS Summary document presented at the last Board is still missing two sections out of 12.
- It should be the basis for writing a White Paper on CHIPP Pillar 1 (PP at the high-energy and intensity frontiers).
- The Board agreed last time to endorse the SWHEPPS conveners to act as White Paper section editors.
- The EB sees the need to have the White Paper ready by end of 2017, towards formal approval in one year.
- Rainer Wallny is still ready to lead this process stressing the now acute need for a timely completion of the SWHEPPS summary.
- He is looking forward to a good cooperation with the editors on the white paper as soon as the SWHEPPS summary is finished.

# Agenda item 8: Strategic workshops of 2018

## **Introduction**

- ▶ Tatsuya Nakada for the EB

## **Discussion**

# Introduction

- The update of the CERN strategy is expected by late spring 2020, while the preliminary discussions will take place in 2019.
- The Swiss contribution shall thus come by early 2019 as input to this process.
- This would mean an update of the CHIPP Roadmap during the year 2018.
- One or two strategic workshops in 2018 should be foreseen now to be in time for the SCNAT support to be submitted at end of August.
- The EB suggests the following dates 3–6 April (just after Easter) and September 6–7 or 13–14 (before semester start).



# Agenda item 9: Computing steering board

## **Presentation**

- ▶ Christoph Grab

## **Discussion**

# Agenda item 10: Report on CHIPP Winter School 2017

## **Presentation for information**

- ▶ Florencia Canelli

# Agenda item 11: Report on Gender in Physics Day 2017

## **Presentation for information**

- ▶ Teresa Montaruli

# Agenda item 12: Report on 1<sup>st</sup> FCC physics workshop

## **Presentation for information**

- ▶ Alain Blondel

# Agenda item 13: CHIPP Prize 2017: announcement

## Presentation for information

- ▶ Adrian Signer

### **CHIPP Prize 2017** (announcement sent on 8 March 2017)

- for the best PhD student in experimental or theoretical particle physics
  - Prize of 3'000 CHF, ceremony & talk at Plenary meeting
  - Since 2016, applications are also accepted for candidates who already defended their thesis in the 12-month period before the **deadline for application on 3 May 2017**.
- ➔ **Please encourage applications from your best current and former PhD students!**

## Agenda item 14: Update on FLARE funding (1)

- A FLARE panel meeting took place on 19–20 January 2017
- The CHIPP Chair was asked to present CHIPP priorities as a short introduction. Stéphane Udry did the same for CHAPS.
- The individual project leaders then had 10 min. to present their project to the FLARE panel and 10 min. to answer questions. This was not public.
- The FLARE funding was announced to the PIs on Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>.
- A consultation of the PIs gives us the following outcome for CHIPP projects.

# Agenda item 14: Update on FLARE funding (2)

| Project      | PI         | Years | Requested          | Granted            | Ratio      |
|--------------|------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|
| ATLAS        | Iacobucci  | 4     | 6'459 kCHF         | 5'457 kCHF         | 84%        |
| CMS          | Kilminster | 2     | 2'040 kCHF         | 1'967 kCHF         | 96%        |
| LHCb         | Schneider  | 4     | 2'721 kCHF         | 2'334 kCHF         | 86%        |
| LHC M&O      | Dissertori | 4     | 3'704 kCHF         | 3'704 kCHF         | 100%       |
| LHC Tier-2   | Grab       | 2     | 1'655 kCHF         | 1'655 kCHF         | 100%       |
| XENON        | Baudis     | 2     | 786 kCHF           | 755 kCHF           | 96%        |
| GERDA        | Baudis     | 2     | 240 kCHF           | 231 kCHF           | 96%        |
| SBN          | Ereditato  | 2     | 1'682 kCHF         | 683 kCHF           | 41%        |
| NA61/T2K/... | Blondel    | 2     | 587 kCHF           | 245 kCHF           | 42%        |
| WA105/DUNE   | Rubbia     | 2     | 1'503 kCHF         | 1'449 kCHF         | 96%        |
| GBAR         | Crivelli   | 2     | 262 kCHF           | 253 kCHF           | 96%        |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |            |       | <b>21'639 kCHF</b> | <b>18'734 kCHF</b> | <b>87%</b> |

## Agenda item 15: CHIPP EB in 2018

- The CHIPP Executive Board (EB) has currently the following members:
  - Tatsuya Nakada (Chair) (until Dec 2017, 1<sup>st</sup> consecutive term, 2 terms in the past, 1<sup>st</sup> as Chair)
  - Adrian Signer (until Dec 2018, 2<sup>nd</sup> term)
  - Günther Dissertori (until Dec 2017, 1<sup>st</sup> term)
  - Michele Weber (until Dec 2018, 1<sup>st</sup> term)
- Günther and Tatsuya are both ready to serve for a new term as EB member.
- There will therefore be in principle no need to call for nominations this year.
- The re-elections of 2 EB members and of the Chair for the period 2018–2019 will take place at the Board 2017-02 in August.



## Agenda item 16: CHIPP administration

- Marc Türlér has accepted a position at the SNSF in Bern.
- He will progressively leave the CHIPP administration: –20% in May, –40% in June and fully (–60%) by 1<sup>st</sup> July.
- CHIPP needs to find a successor rather soon (by mid-April).
- Board members will soon receive a message describing the position to propose suitable candidates.
- It could be the occasion to replace the current employment via the University of Zurich with a contract through SCNAT, our mother organisation.
- A solution for his EPPCN membership is also to be found.

# Agenda item 17: News from the community

**Any news or announcement to be communicated ?**

# Agenda item 18: Status of new professorships

## **New professorships at CHIPP institutes**

- report from each institute:
  - ▶ Basel
  - ▶ Bern
  - ▶ Fribourg
  - ▶ Geneva
  - ▶ Zurich
  - ▶ EPFL
  - ▶ ETHZ
  - ▶ PSI

# Agenda item 19: Next CHIPP Board & Plenary meetings

**Please book the dates in your diary!**

Plenary 2017 (again jointly with SPS):

- ➔ **22–24 August 2017, in Geneva (CERN & CICG)**
- ➔ **CHIPP Board meeting foreseen on Monday, 21 August 2017**

Board 2017–03, Bern:

- ➔ **Date in October/November to be defined**

# Agenda item 20: A.O.B.

- **Update on joint SPS-ÖPG-CHIPP Annual Meeting**
  - ▶ Andreas Schopper
- ...