

## Minutes of the EB meeting 2013-01 on 8 January 2013

Time/place of the meeting: 8 January 2013, 13.45-16h, Schweizerische Akademie der Naturwissenschaften SCNAT, Schwarztorstrasse 9, 3007 Bern

Present: Klaus Kirch (KK, Chair), Teresa Montaruli (TM [by phone]), Olivier Schneider (OS), Jean-Pierre Ruder (JPR, Secretary).

The Chair opens the meeting at 13.55h

### 1. Agenda

The agenda is approved as is.

### 2. Apologies

The EB notes the absence of GC

## A. Administrative items

### 3. Minutes of the last meeting (2012-09)

The minutes of the last meeting are approved (with thanks to the minute writer).

### 4. List of Action Items

The list of action items is discussed and updated.

2012-09 – 10.7: OS plans to contact the SNF in the days to come. In the mean time, the draft minutes of the LA FORCE / LA FLARE have been distributed, showing the expectation of the SNF to be accompanied by a CHIPP member. The question arises whether or not OS should continue to attend all meetings of the RRB together with the SNF representative and also together with the experiment specific CHIPP representatives (for ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, and Computing). It is agreed that this should be the baseline at least for the spring RRB meeting.

2012-09 – 10.8: The attendance of a PSI representative in the CMS RRB has been clarified and will be made known to the RRB secretary by OS.

### 5. Next EB meetings

- 2013-02: 22 February 2012, Berne, 15.15h  
The meeting is confirmed. TM will again connect via Skype (with OS) [or alternatively via phone].  
→ JPR: to check GC's availability.
- CHIPP Board in fall (suggestions see CHIPP Calendar)  
The EB decides to hold the fall Board meeting on 4 November 2013 (PM, Berne).  
→ JPR: to revise the CHIPP calendar  
→ JPR: to seek a meeting room.

## **B. Items for discussion**

### **6. ApP White Paper**

KK recalls the two open points from the December EB, i.e. the agreement of all colleagues mentioned in the paper with its contents, and the size of the LAGUNA participation. For the planned discussion of the document at the next Board meeting (31 January), KK would like to avoid that CHIPP's ApP community starts discussing and arguing among themselves. The CHIPP Board should be presented with a joint and coherent position of all ApP colleagues regarding their intentions and plans for future participation. Such a situation would most possibly lead to the CHIPP Board endorsing the paper as 'the Swiss position'. In order to be sure of reaching this point, the EB asks TM

- to provide as soon as possible (but in any case before 24 January) clarifications regarding the future funding, specifically from LAGUNA, and
- to ensure that all authors and participants in the three projects mentioned in the White Paper stand fully behind it.

→ TM: to ensure that the ApP community supports the complete paper.

→ TM: to clarify the future funding specifically from LAGUNA.

TM wonders whether it would not be a good idea to include the Astronomy community in the discussion. KK explains that he is already in touch with the Chair of the Committee on Astronomy of the SCNAT (G. Meylan), but that he is also convinced that this dialogue could only be held in a meaningful way once the ApP community and the CHIPP Board as a whole have reached a common understanding of the way forward.

### **7. CHIPP LT project tables (large)**

KK informs about the revised CHIPP Long-Term Financial Table, where the present FLARE business plans have been inserted (where possible). He underlines that the status of the table is 'work-in-progress' and that the next weeks and months would serve to adapt the manpower plans to the financial plans (actors: TM and JPR). KK is aware that as clear as possible a definition of 'FTEs' is needed to reach a meaningful level of comparability. OS mentions the definition used in the LHC RRB for the LHC experiments, which could possibly be adapted also to the other experiments. As the EB has already discussed this issue in spring 2012 (when preparing the large data collection for the June Board meeting) a first sketch could be drafted on that basis.

→ JPR: to draft a first sketch definition on the basis of the discussions from spring 2012.

→ JPR: to contact TM for a meeting.

### **8. Board Meeting: Briefing and Update**

KK briefly runs through the agenda and asks for specific comments. In addition, he mentions that the ApPEC SAC nominations will not be a decision item, because ApPEC has now fixed the 15 January as deadline. The Board will be informed. KK explains that he also plans to inform the Board about his contacts with other Swiss organisations (like Committee on Astronomy, JungfrauJoch-Stiftung) under a new information item.

→ JPR: to finalise and send out

### **9. ApPEC:**

#### **• Membership: Status**

TM reports that the SNF has agreed to sign the accession document, to attend the meetings and to pay the membership fee. A draft of the accession document has been agreed by SNF and is now under discussion at ApPEC. It is expected to sign the document soon.

#### **• SAC nominations**

KK reminds the EB that nominations are sought of a Swiss national and a European expert. The call to the Board has resulted in the nomination of L. Baudis and M. Pohl as Swiss representatives. Francis Halzen is suggested as international expert. The decision will be taken by the Board in written procedure until 14 January.

→ KK: to submit the nominations to the Board (written procedure) with deadline 14 January

### **10. LA FLARE und FLARE Panel:**

#### **• Nomination of experts**

KK informs that he has received only a few nominations and asks the EB to extend the deadline until

15 January. This would still allow respecting the deadlines for the Board documents and taking the vote at the Board meeting (31 January). OS finds this very reasonable and the EB agrees on this extension. → KK: to send out a reminder to the Board.

*(Note from the minute-writer: after the meeting, the SNF informs KK that they would need the nominations by 15 January. KK has therefore accelerated the procedure and will submit the nominations in a written procedure to the Board).*

#### **11. Responsible persons for Workshops**

KK informs that this item is now just an information item, as U. Straumann and A. Ereditato have agreed to continue as responsible persons for WS in High Energy Frontier, and neutrino physics respectively.

### **C. Items for information**

#### **12. European Strategy: Input for Physics Briefing Book**

KK informs the EB that he has not received feedbacks or further input from Board members, and that therefore no additional input from Switzerland to the document will be produced.

#### **13. CHIPP Activities 2013: Status report, update and further input**

KK recalls that the list with the CHIPP activities known at present is available at the CHIPP internet page under [http://www.chipp.ch/documents/activities\\_2013\\_2012-12-17.pdf](http://www.chipp.ch/documents/activities_2013_2012-12-17.pdf), and that updates and additional input is welcome at anytime.

#### **14. Status of future meetings**

- CHIPP PhD School 2013, 20-25 January, Grindelwald  
KK informs that The School is rapidly approaching, the programme is established and registration has had a nice success.
- Latsis Symposium 2013 (Forces of nature at the energy frontier), 3-6 June, ETHZ  
KK underlines that this Symposium is on the CHIPP list albeit it is not a CHIPP Workshop. The theme covers CHIPP work and therefore the meeting should be known to the CHIPP community.
- Plenary 2013, 24-26 June, Campus Sursee  
No additional information for the time being.
- WS on low energy precision physics, 9-12 Sept, PSI  
No additional information for the time being.
- Detector R&D, 12/13 Sept, PSI  
No additional information for the time being.

No new conference or workshop is mentioned in the meeting.

#### **15. Annual Report C15 2012 (final project report): Status of data collection**

JPR informs that the input from the C15 beneficiary institutes has started and that he will contact the institutes that have not yet delivered bilaterally. The draft report will be seen by the EB on 22 February.

#### **16. A.O.B.**

There is no A.O.B.

The Chair closes the meeting at 15.10h

11 January 2013

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