Infrastructure, an interface between disciplines, regions and academia/industry

Example of CERN



Conseil Européen pour la Recherche
Nucléaire
Organisation Européenne pour la
Recherche Nucléaire

ESF / ZWM Seminar
"Future Leaders in European
Science Policy and Research"

Strasbourg, 5 - 7 February 2009

Felicitas Pauss / CERN and ETH Zurich



Founded in 1954 (12 European Member States)

Today:

20 European Member States

1 Candidate for Accession to Membership

8 Observers;

USA, Japan, India, Russia,

Israel, Turkey, EU and

UNESCO



World's largest Particle Physics Laboratory: 9500 Scientists from 60 countries use CERN's large infrastructure web 2



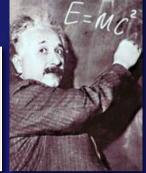
The Mission of CERN

Research

To push back the frontiers of knowledge

E.g. the secrets of the Big Bang ...what was the matter like within the first moments of the Universe's life?





To develop new technologies

Information technology - the Web and the GRID Medicine - diagnosis and therapy











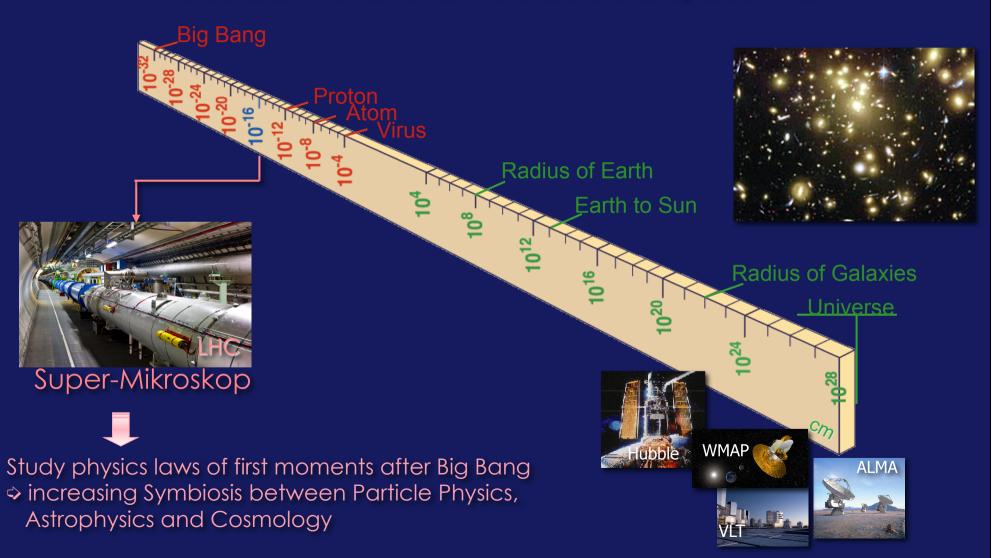


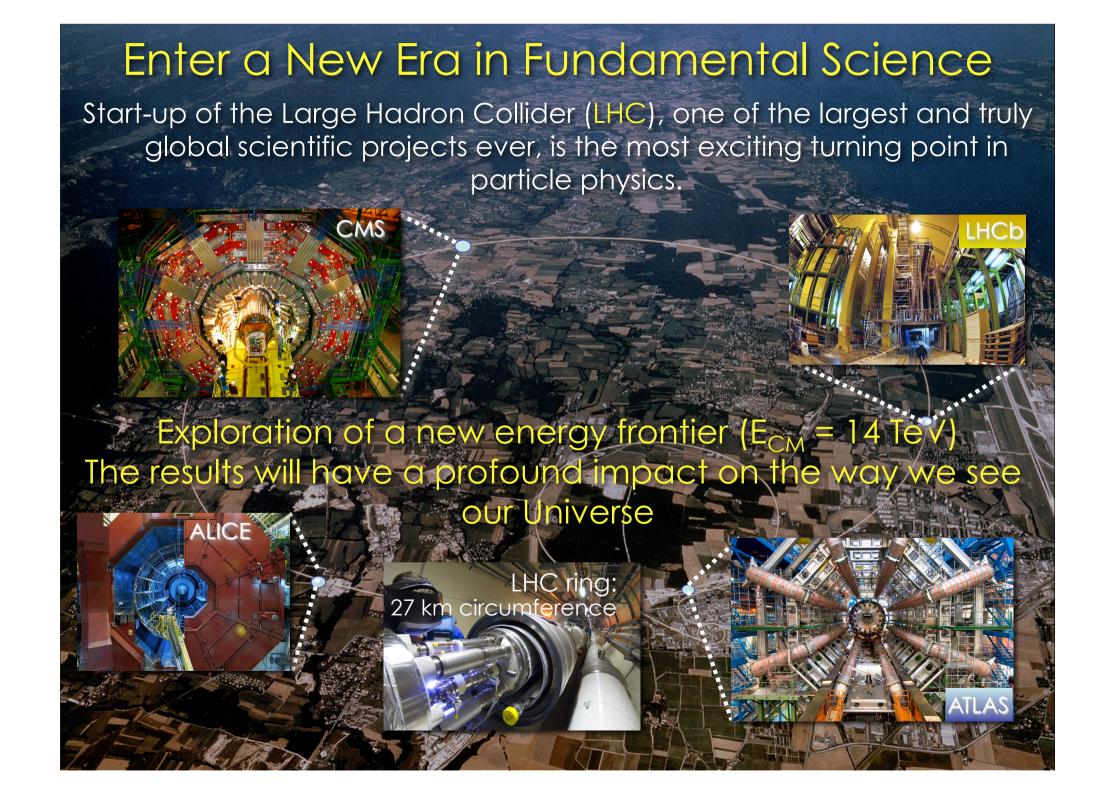




Particle Physics

Study the structure of the Universe at its most fundamental level: explore the basic physics laws which govern the fundamental building blocks of matter and the structure of spacetime



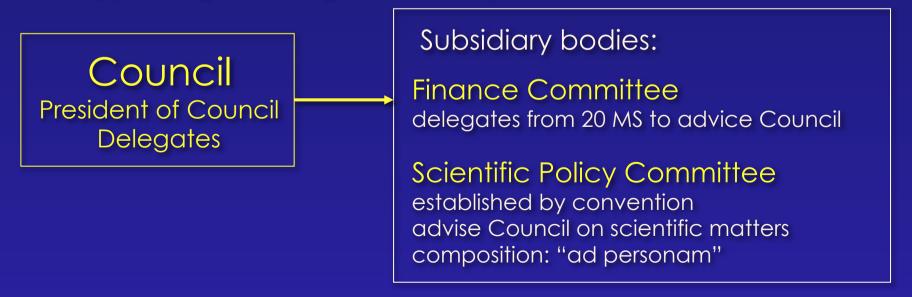




CERN - Intergovernmental Organisation Governance

Council - the governing body of CERN, comprising government representatives (delegates) of 20 European Member States defining

- CERN's strategic programmes
- setting and following up its annual goals
- approving its budget
- appointing its Management led by the Director-General



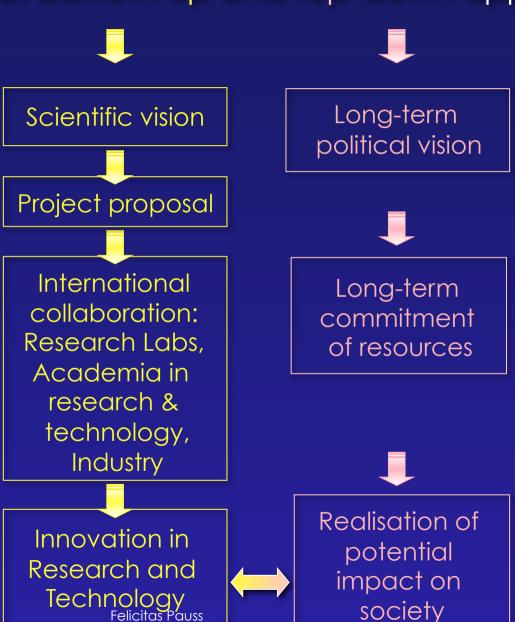


Very large-scale international projects: combination of bottom-up and top-down approach

Combined with adequate procedures for planning, decision making/approval



Examples for LHC and Experiments





LHC experimental Programme: Planning

1984 Lausanne workshop official starting point for work at the LHC

1987 La Thuille workshop: comparison of LHC (p-p), CLIC (e⁺e⁻), e-p option and physics potential

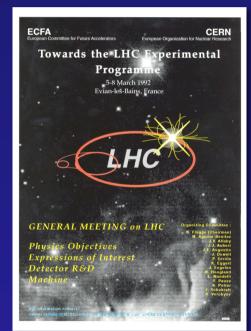
End 1980's the first embryonic collaborations started

1990 Aachen workshop (physics and instrumentation)
first LHC operation in 1998 proposed

1992 Evian workshop presentation of **EoI** (in March) proto-collaborations **LoI** presentation at CERN (in October)

1995 LHC conceptual design: 14 TeV, L = 10³⁴ cm⁻² s⁻¹

1993 SSC cancelled



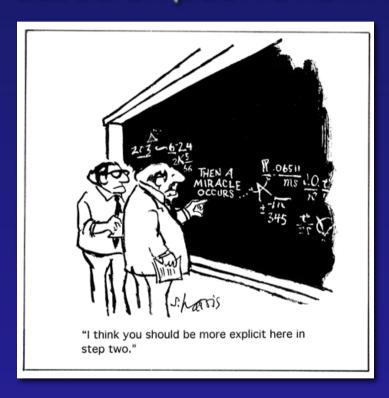






Evaluation Procedures

Based on peer review: independent advisory bodies



LHC: MAG Committee

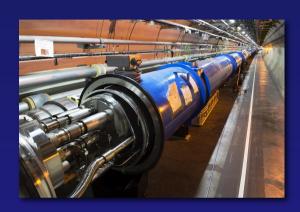
Experiments:

- LHCC: for technical and scientific matters
- CORE: for financial issues
- Recommendation to CERN management for approval
- final approval by CERN Council

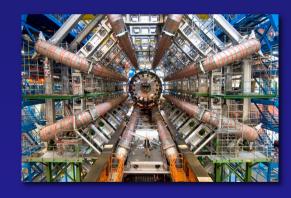
Remark: LHCC follows experiments till termination of project, any major technical changes need to be evaluated by LHCC RRB (all funding agencies of experiments) monitors evolution of experiments and approves budgets on a yearly basis



Approval Procedures



December 1994: LHC approved by CERN Council





February 1996:
ATLAS and CMS are officially approved
Other LHC experiments followed

MoU for experiments signed by different funding agencies / collaborating institutes

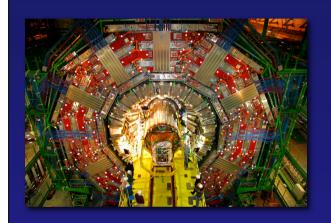
Lesson learnt: have ambitious projects but be realistic w.r.t. proposed time schedule of project

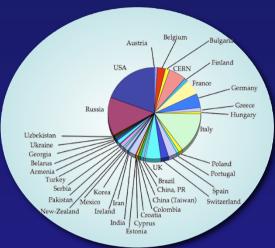


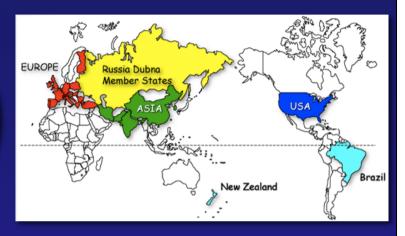
Organisation of Experiments



CMS Example







Main structures:

Collaboration Board: governing body

Management Board: submits recommendations to the CB

Finance Board: all important issues related to resources

CMS Collaboration

~2000 authors (50% from MS, 50 % from NMS) 38 countries 181 institutes





Basis of CERN's success

European scientific and political leaders with visionary minds created CERN more than 50 years ago:

- Tying together human and financial resources for a common scientific goal that only could be realized by constructing large infrastructures (accelerators)
- Building strong links between scientists of large and small countries
- Realization of long-term goals with strong support from all Member States

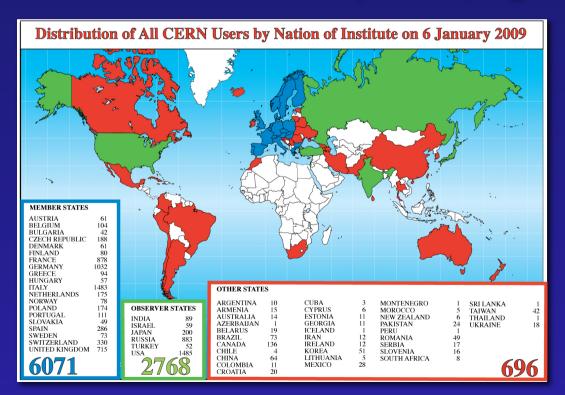
Sir Ben Lockspeiser, first president of the CERN Council: "Scientific research lives and flourishes in an atmosphere of freedom – freedom to doubt, freedom to enquire and freedom to discover. These are the conditions under which this new laboratory has been established."



Push back the frontiers of knowledge

Fascination of basic science questions has resulted in a common goal:

- LHC + experiments necessary for the next step in advancement of fundamental science
- In national roadmaps: LHC programme as top priority



CERN became a GLOBAL LABORATORY

Increase of users over last 4 years:

MS 27 %

OS 41 %

NMS 48 %



The Future of CERN

From CERN Council Strategy Document 1)

"Future major facilities in Europe and elsewhere require collaborations on a global scale;
Council, drawing on the European experience in the successful construction and operation of large-scale facilities, will prepare a framework for Europe to engage with the other regions of the world with the goal of optimizing the particle physics output through the best shared use of resources while maintaining European capabilities."



1) The European Strategy for Particle Physics was approved by CERN Council in 2006



The challenge

From CERN Council Strategy Document

"Particle physicists in the non-Member States benefit from, and add to, the research programme funded by the CERN Member States; Council will establish how the non-member States should be involved in defining the strategy."





Council Working Group has been set up during the December 2008 Council Session on the Scientific and Geographical Enlargement of CERN



Instruments for Science & Technology Cooperation at European level

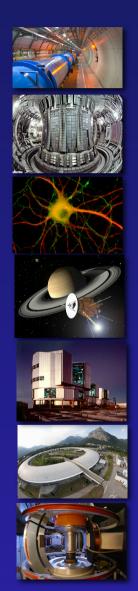
- Objective of Lisbon Summit in March 2000: Europe should become the most competitive and dynamic knowledgebased economy in the world
 - requires excellent coordination
- Presently, major instruments for pan-European cooperation in S&T, co-funded by EU and other European States, are implemented via:
 - 7th Research Framework Programme (FP7)
 - Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP)
 - European Technology Platforms and Joint Technology Initiatives, and the EUREKA framework
 - European inter-governmental research organisations (EIROs)



EIROforum

European Intergovernmental Research Organisations Forum

- **CERN** (European Organisation for Nuclear Research)
- **EFDA** (European Fusion Development Agreement)
- EMBL (European Molecular Biology Laboratory)
- **ESA** (European Space Agency)
- **ESO** (European Organisation for Astronomical Research in the Southern Hemisphere)
- **ESRF** (European Synchrotron Radiation Facility)
- ILL (Institute Laue-Langevin)





EIROforum

European Intergovernmental Research Organisations Forum

- All EIROs are established by means of intergovernmental agreements
- EIROs: different conventions, legal status & memberships governed by international law: CERN, ESA, ESO, EMBL governed by national law: ESRF, ILL
- With strong support by their Member States, EIROs have become world-leaders in their respective research fields
- Major differences between EIROs and EU programmes (FP7, CIP):
 - 1. **EIROs:** well coordinated long-term scientific programmes, focused in one discipline.
 - **EU programmes:** support large number of short-term projects in variety of fields
 - 2. EIROs funded by sub-set of European countries (Member States)

 EU: funded by all EU member states and other countries associated to FPs

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EIROforum

European Intergovernmental Research Organisations Forum

- EIROs have been very successful and will continue to play a key role for science & technology in Europe
- First European intergovernmental Organisation: CERN in 1954
 ESRF was the last one, created in 1988
 - why no new ones created?
- Need for new European centers of excellence
 - ⇒ First European Roadmap for Research Infrastructure (ESFRI roadmap in 2006, update 2008):

A few open questions:

- How will projects be realized and funded?
- What will be the legal status, organisational model?
- etc



Concluding Remarks

CERN: first large European intergovernmental organisation in fundamental science (Convention ratified in 1954)
Since 1988: 7 European intergovernmental organisation in fundamental science (EIROs)

Why have EIROs been successful

- Long-term stability and strong support from Member States
- Efficient organisational and management models
- Managed to become world-class centers of excellence
- Scientific programmes defined by the scientific community
- Attract the best scientists from their Member States and world-wide
- Connect Europe to the rest of the world via scientific cooperation programmes