News from CERN council

- The present Swiss delegation
- Status report of LHC (summary of L. Evans' talk)
- Implementing the Lissabon strategy
- The MTP (medium term plan) and the CERN budget
- Status of new DG election procedure
- items not covered

Switzerland in the CERN council committees:

Council:

- Head: State secretary Dr. Ch. Kleiber
- Deputy: Dr. J.P. Ruder
- Scientific delegate: U. Straumann

Finance committee (FC)

- Chairman: Dr. M. Steinacher, Switzerland
- Swiss delegates: Mr L. Deneys, Mrs C. Wandeler

Science Policy Committee (SPC)

• A. Blondel, Geneva

Status of the LHC Project

Lyn Evans



Arc plug-in module at working temperature





Arc plug-in module at warm temperature





Transmitter prototype





Conclusions

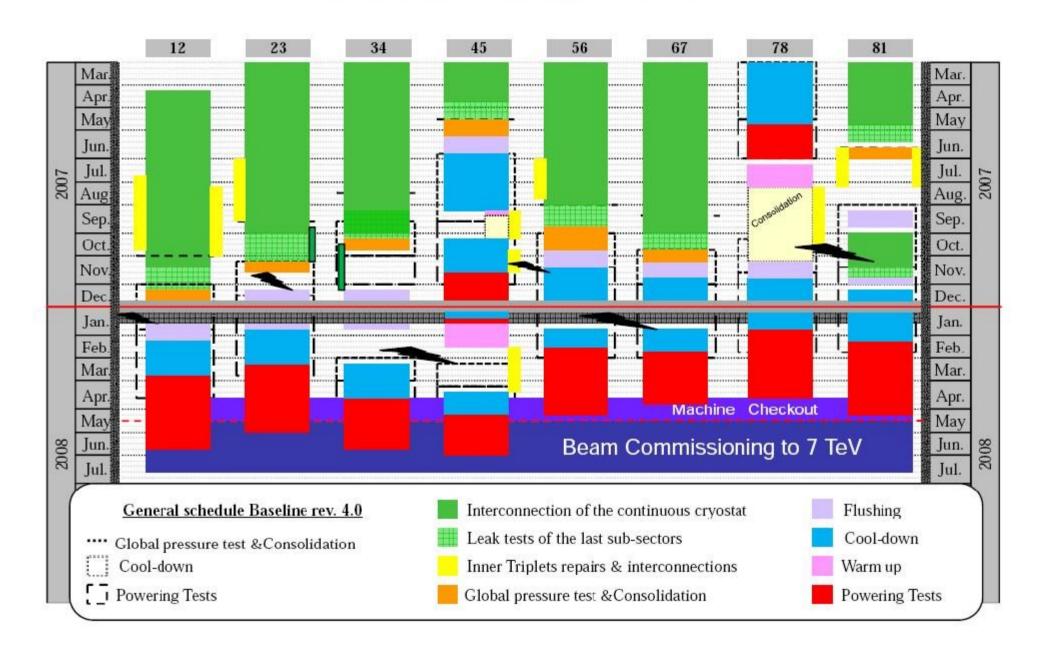


The inner triplet problems are now resolved.

 A powerful and simple method of finding bad PIMS has been developed. For the first few warm up cycles of a sector, a scan of the aperture with the RF mole will be needed.

 The whole ring will be closed and pressure tested by mid November. K. Foraz TS-IC-PL 10/8/2007

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Implementing the Lissabon strategy

"Herten paper":

- Proposal for a concrete implemention of the organisatorial issues discussed in the Lissbon strategy. Accepted by council.
- European Strategy Session of Council: yearly one day in the December council session update and follow up of the European Strategy for p.p.
- Council Strategy Commission (CSC)
 new permanent subsidiary body of council, consisting
 of 12 members. "Do the work" related to new infrastructure
 proposals in Europe. Prepare ESG meetings. Reports to council
- European Strategy Group (ESG)
 a working group of council. set-up at least every 5 years, in order to update the longterm strategy.
- European Directors' Meeting
 The director of CERN and the national labs should meet regularly.

The paper also describes the relation to ECFA ("incubator role") and SPC, NuPECC and APEC First Eur. Strat. Sess. of Council to take place in Dec 07. Secretary G. Herten.

CERN budget issues

- 2008 2011 CERN needs to pay back its depts, which takes about 20% of the normal budget.
- Medium Term Plan (MTP) foresees to implement some of Lissbon strategy items in the same period:
- Theme I: initial LHC programme (e.g. experiments contribution and manpower, new PS power converter, 20 high risk items in the LHC injector line.
- Theme II: renovation of the old injector complex: replace p Linac by a new linac 4. In parallel work on design of SPL (for a high current new PS2).
- Theme III: accelerator R&D for sLHC and CLIC
- Theme IV: (together with outside partners:) SC cavitiy testfacility,R&D on high power targets, cooler for the AD, third NA-48, HIE-ISOLDE
- Total 60 MCHF per year. Half of this is shared by F+CH, rest paid by a 3% increase of the regular annual membership.

 Council agreed on this in its June session.

Status of new DG election

- new director is looked for, for the period 2009-2013
- a search committee of SPC had to propose three persons
- council can either select one of those or look for new people
- candidate needs a 2/3 majority of the 20 member states.

Other council business not covered here:

- ILC/CLIC evolvement (-> see ECFA presentation tomorrow)
- Strategy for the EU FP7 money requests
 (-> see ECFA presentation tomorrow)
- Cooperation agreement with ITER
- Pension fund
- etc.