Maintaining European Leadership in Particle Physics



The European Strategy for Particle Physics

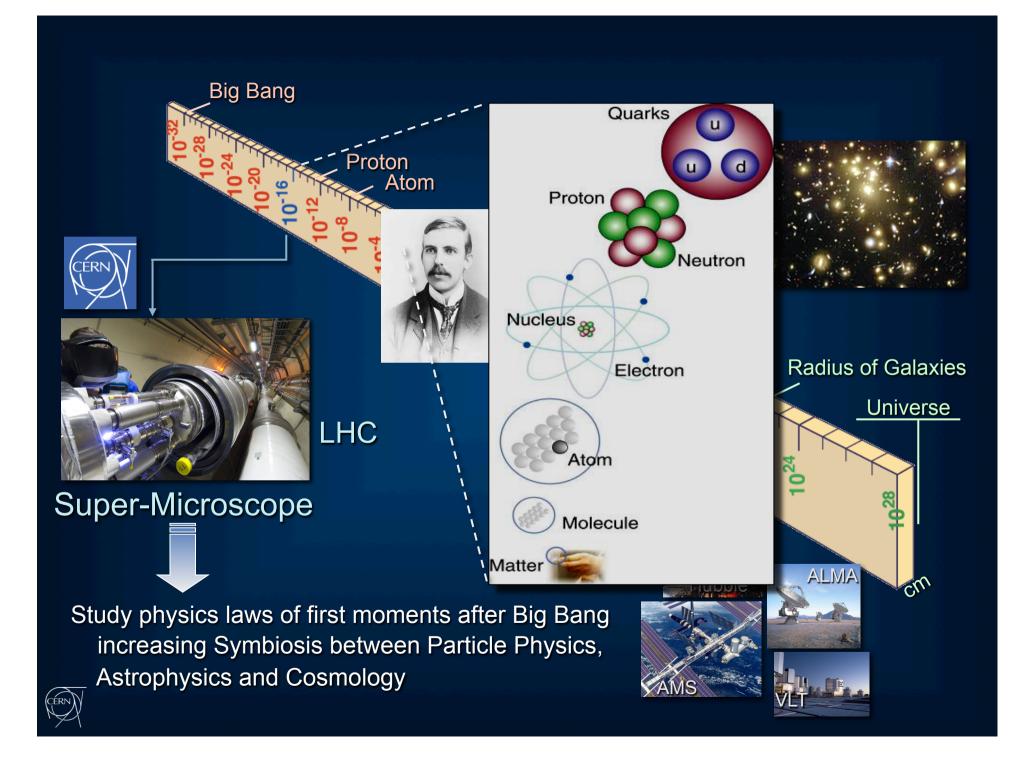
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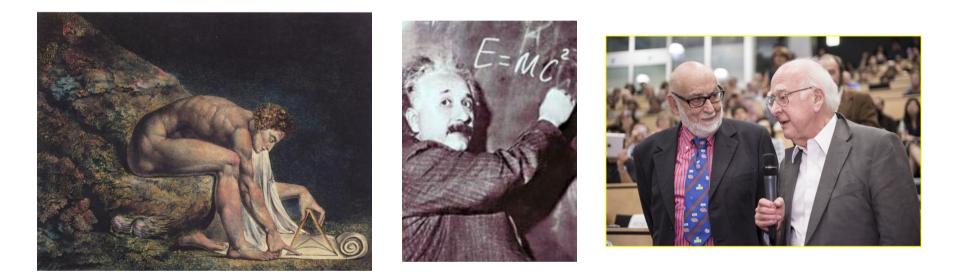
Particle Physics ...

- Pushes back the frontiers of knowledge: e.g. Investigating the first moments of the Universe's existence
- Advances the frontiers of technology
- Trains the scientists and engineers of tomorrow
- Brings nations together through science





To push back the frontiers of knowledge..... Seeking answers to questions about the Early Universe:



Newton's unfinished business... what is mass?

Science's little embarrassment... what is 96% of the Universe made of?

Nature's favouritism... why is there no more antimatter?

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



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We need.....

Large Infrastructures: Such research goes (far) beyond the capability of individual countries Global Collaboration: We cannot do it alone Sustainability: Iong term stable support mandatory

We have.....

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the EIROs: European Intergovernmental Research Organizations delivering global leadership in their respective fields



CERN

a European Intergovernmental Organisation, globally used

- \rightarrow an infrastructure belonging to all member states
- \rightarrow an example of what Europe can achieve when Europe is working together
- \rightarrow a world leading infrastructure in Europe:



1954 European Reconstruction 1st Session of CERN Council

YOUR infrastructure



1980 The East Meets the West Visit of delegation from Beijing



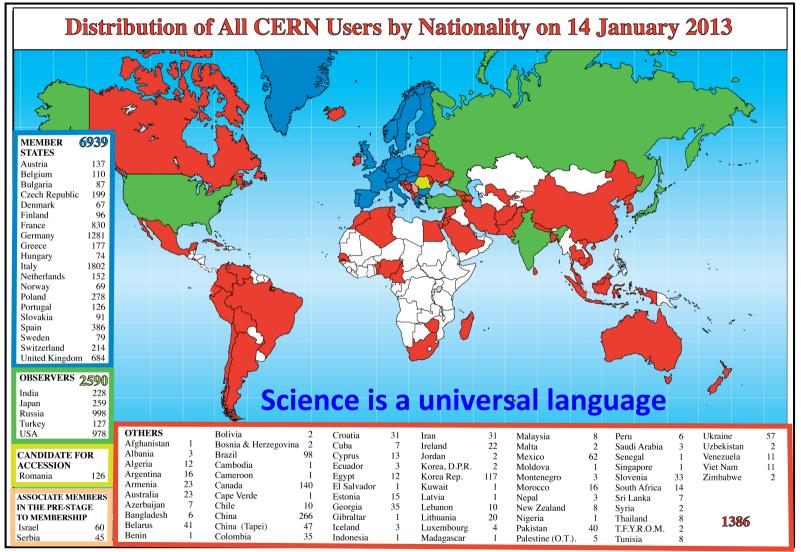
Today Global Collaboration The LHC brings together > 8000 scientists and some 100 nationalities



Global Collaboration

Breaking the Walls between Cultures and Nations since 1954

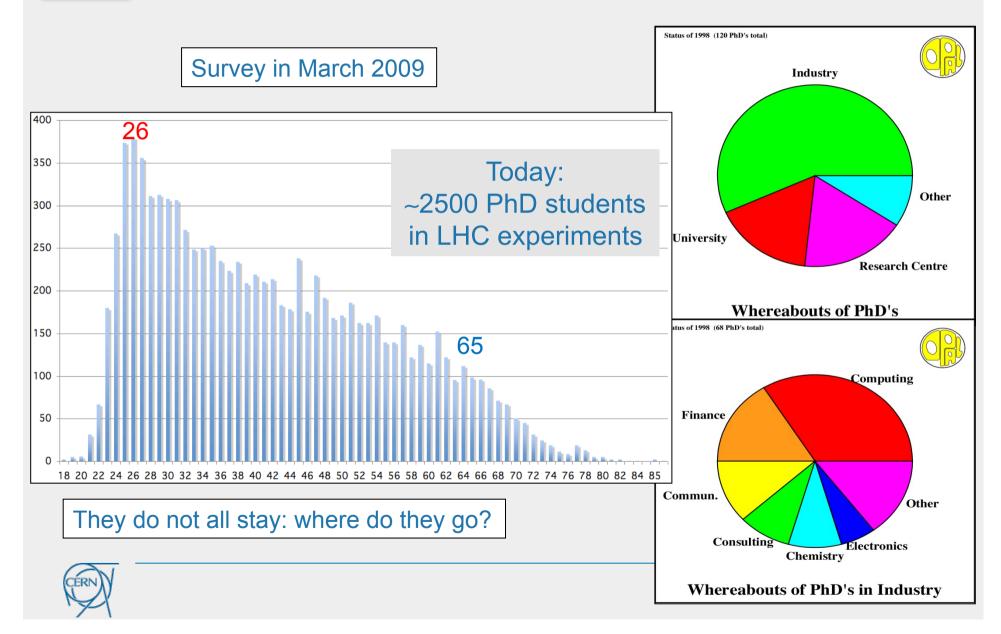






Age Distribution of Scientists

- and where they go afterwards





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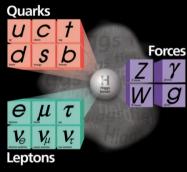
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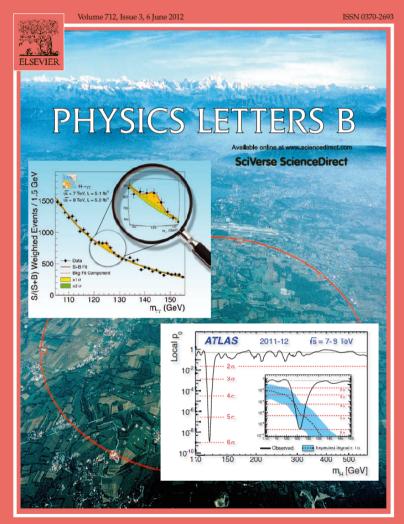
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Why do we need a strategy now?

The leading role of Europe in particle physics relies heavily on the underlying organisational model:

CERN as a world-leading laboratory, strong community of particle physicists in universities and national institutes, true spirit of international collaboration.

To keep the lead, long-term planning is mandatory as the time span of largescale scientific projects extends over several economic and political cycles.

With the first results and discoveries at the LHC it is now the right time for the update of the European strategy.



The European strategy for particle physics

- is built on excellence in research in Europe,
- provides opportunities for research globally,
- provides direct benefits to society,
- fosters the network between CERN, universities, national laboratories and institutes in Europe,
- fosters the network between Europe and the other regions in the world:

Particle Physics –

the most global example of science in the world



... Global Effort ... Global Success but... with a European Flavour



... European Flavour means in particular continuous stable support