

Training in Accelerator Science & technology



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- **Introductory remarks**
- **TIARA education and training surveys**
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Introductory remarks (1)

- **Training is a big topic!**
- **Community:**
 - Physicists / engineers / technicians ...
- **Academic level:**
 - Undergraduate / Master's / PhD / staff ...
- **Delivery:**
 - Lectures, seminars, lab work, 'on the job' ...
- **Institutions:**
 - Universities, national + international labs, facilities, accelerator schools ...
- **How many trained people do we need?**
 - How does this help society more generally?

Introductory remarks (2)

- Particle-physics accelerators
- Light sources
- Neutron sources
- Medical accelerators
- Industrial accelerators
- Industry

A lot has been done

- Several EU-funded projects have explicitly addressed the provision of accelerator training in Europe:

TIARA, ARIES, AMICI, I.FAST, EJADE ...

- **TIARA, ARIES, I.FAST include dedicated WPs on training coordination (led by PNB)**

→ review of some key activities follows ...



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The main objective of TIARA is the integration of national and international accelerator R&D infrastructures into a **single distributed European accelerator R&D facility** with the goal of developing and strengthening state-of-the-art research, competitiveness and innovation in a sustainable way in the field of accelerator Science and Technologies in Europe.



Besides maximizing the benefits for the owners of the infrastructures and their users, TIARA aims at establishing a framework for developing and supporting strong joint European programmes:

- › for accelerator Research and Development
- › for education and training
- › for enhancing innovation in collaboration with industry

HOT NEWS



TIARA-PP extended for one year



TIARA-PP final general meeting held at Daresbury lab, November 25-27

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MEETING DATES

Governing Council

10:00 - 17:00
Governing Council meeting (CERN)
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TIARA WP5: Education & Training

WP5.1 Make a **survey** of the **number of students, courses and teaching resources** in Accelerator Science and establish a **common resources database**

WP5.2 Evaluate and **develop the “market”** for **trained Accelerator Scientists** (physicists, engineers, technicians) for research, healthcare, industry and public service

WP5.3 Determine a **plan of action** for **promoting Accelerator Science and Technology** within schools, universities, research organisations, industry and society

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Survey of accelerator training

Training survey topics

- **Institutes providing training**
- **Personnel involved in delivering training**
- **Type of training**
- **Numbers and types of students**
- **Training materials and facilities**
- **Career destinations**

www-based survey

www-based
questionnaire

+ interactive
www-site of
results

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Home TestForm **TIARA Survey**

TIARA SURVEY

Hide/show sections by clicking their headings.
If you are not sure about a field, please leave it blank.

▶ NAME/EMAIL

▶ INSTITUTION

▼ TRAINING

Does your institution currently offer training in any aspect of accelerator science?

Yes
 No

In which areas do you provide training?

Particle sources
 Accelerating structures
 Magnets
 Beam dynamics
 Beam instrumentation & control

Which groups do you offer training to?

Undergraduates
 Masters-level students
 PhD students
 Post-doctoral fellows (not permanent appointments)
 Staff (permanent appointments)
 Others

▼ UNDERGRADUATES

How many undergraduates received training in academic year 2010/11?

How many undergraduates will receive training in academic year 2011/12?

Thanks to Max Bradbury

Survey responses

- **Responses from 88 institutes across Europe**
- **We captured the vast majority of the key players**

Training survey report

<https://cds.cern.ch/record/1442599/files/TIARA-REP-WP5-2012-006.pdf>



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TIARA WP5 Deliverable 5.1 - ETR Education and Training Survey Report

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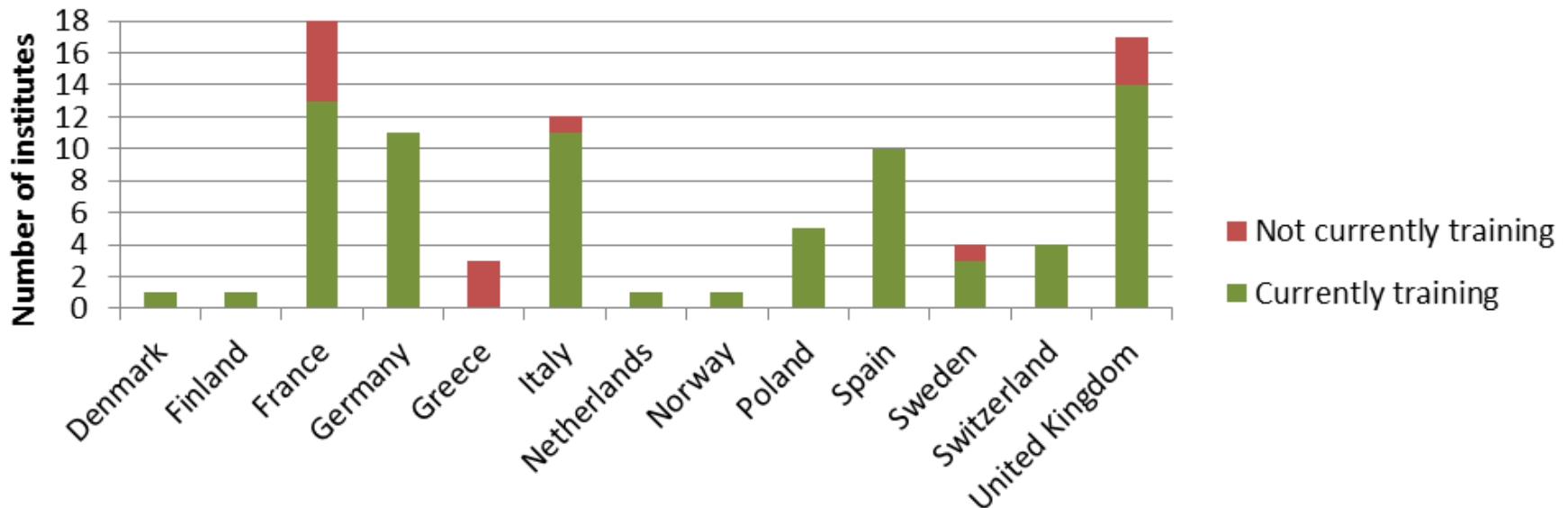
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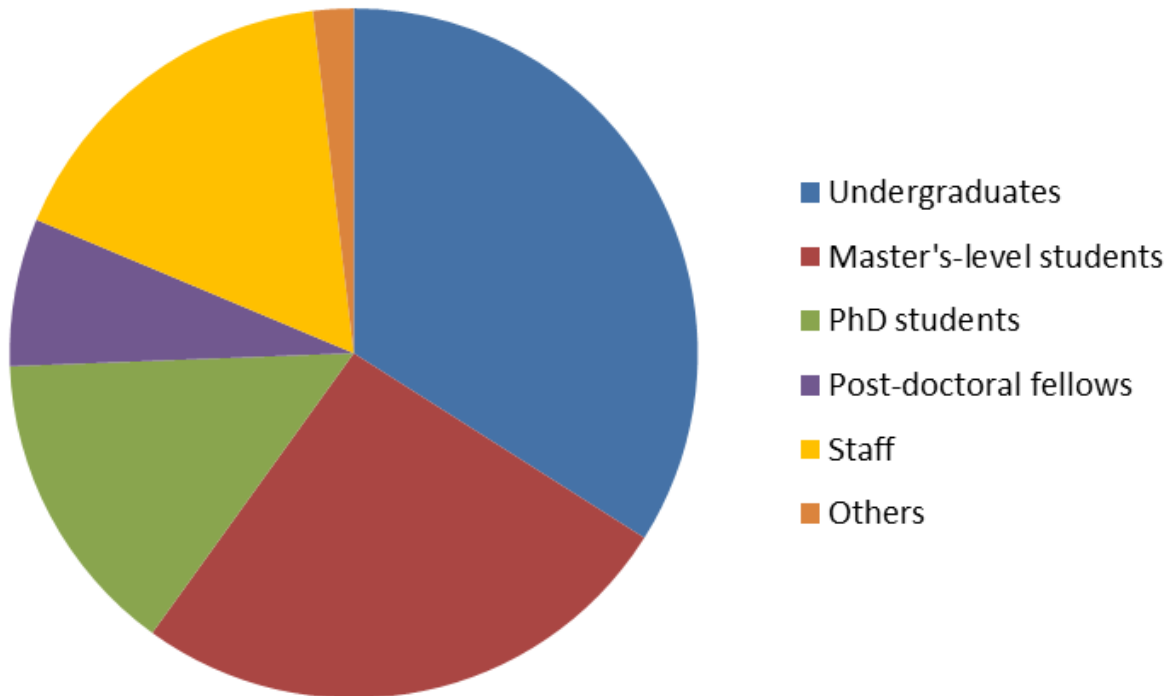
Survey highlights: institutes

- 88 responding institutes
- 3060 personnel engaged in accelerator science
- 75 institutes (85%) provide training themselves
- 12 institutes plan/desire to train in future

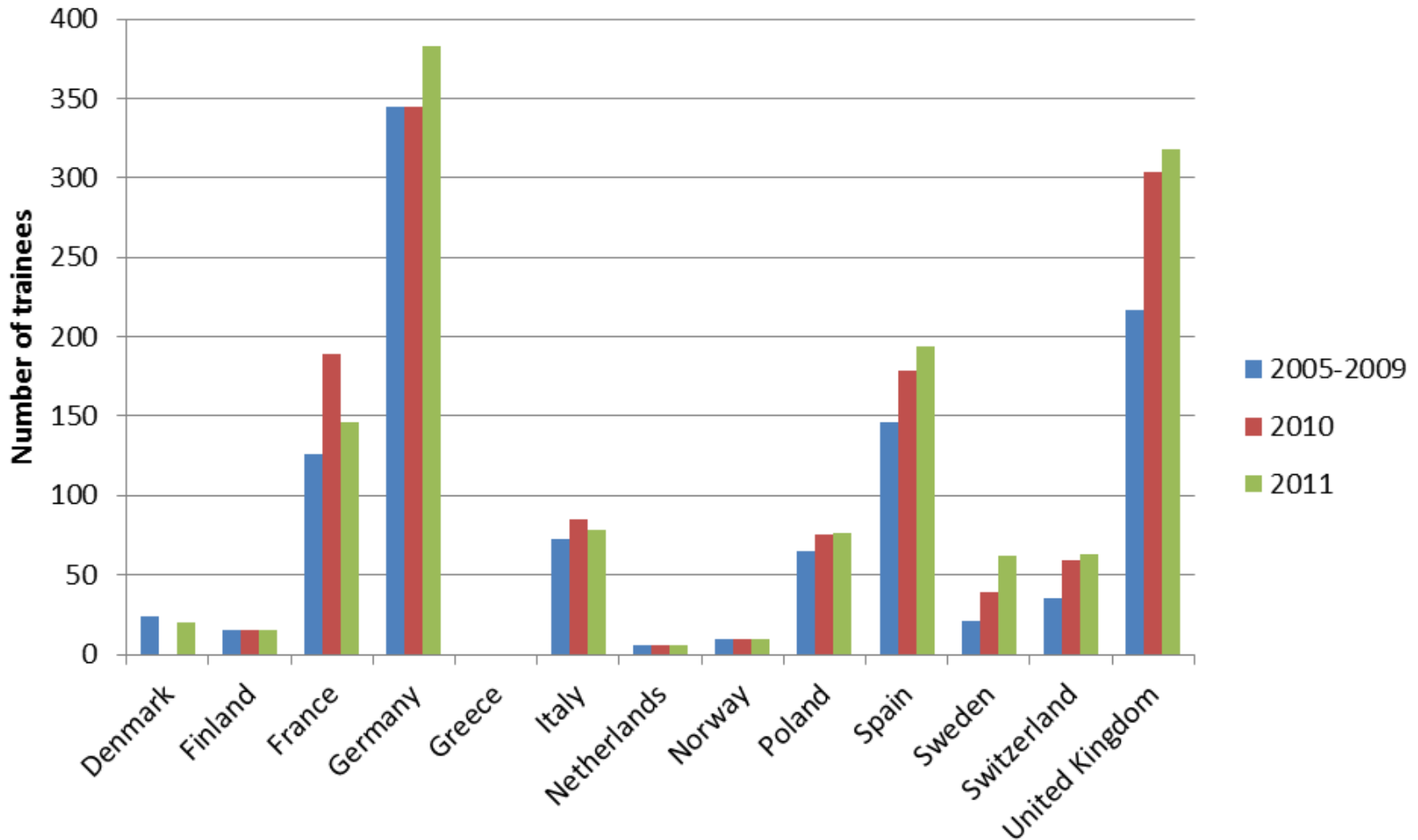


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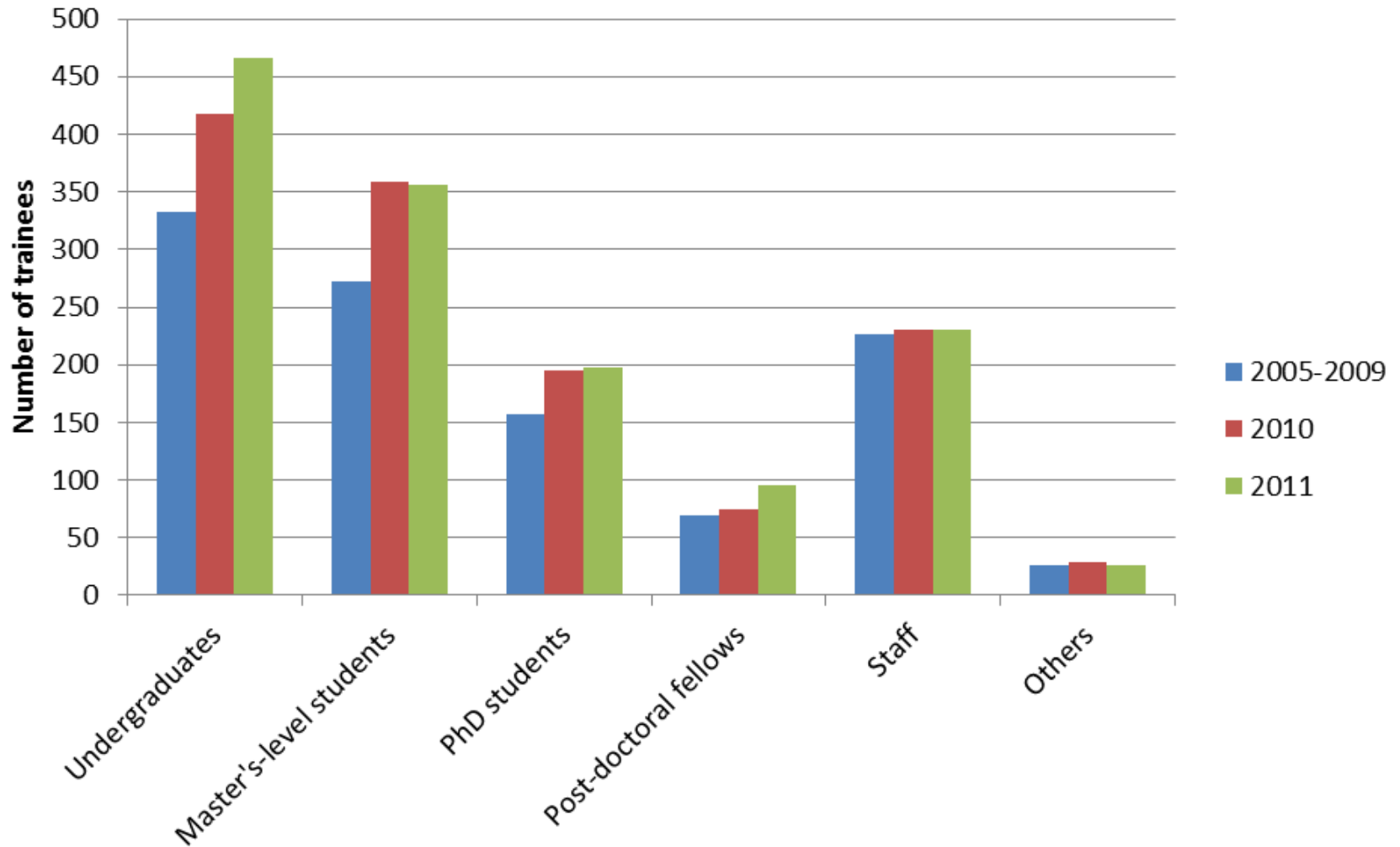
- **1371 people (2011) received formal training:**
 - 34% undergraduates**
 - 26% masters**
 - 14% PhD**
 - 7% postdocs**
 - 17% staff**



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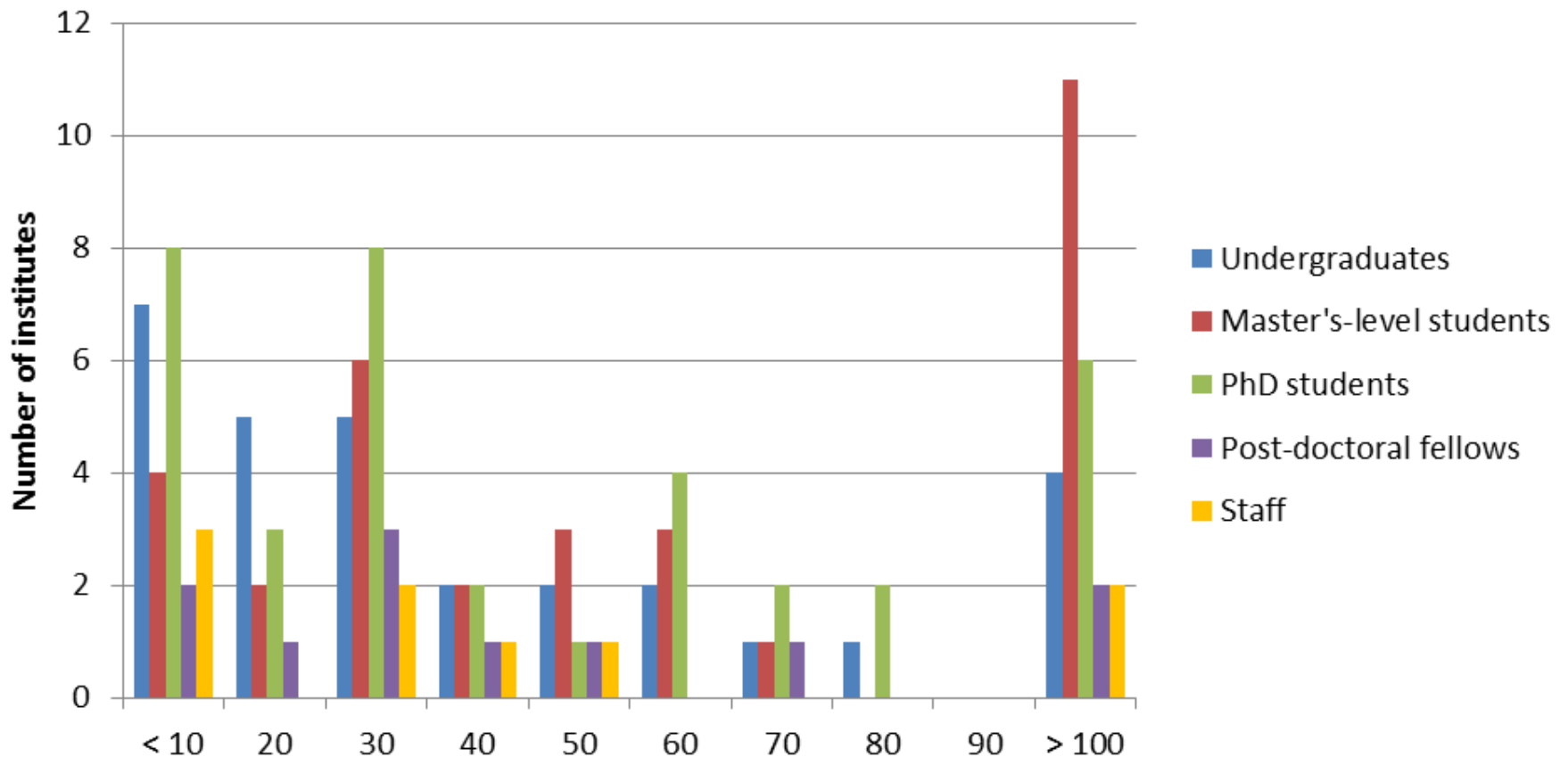


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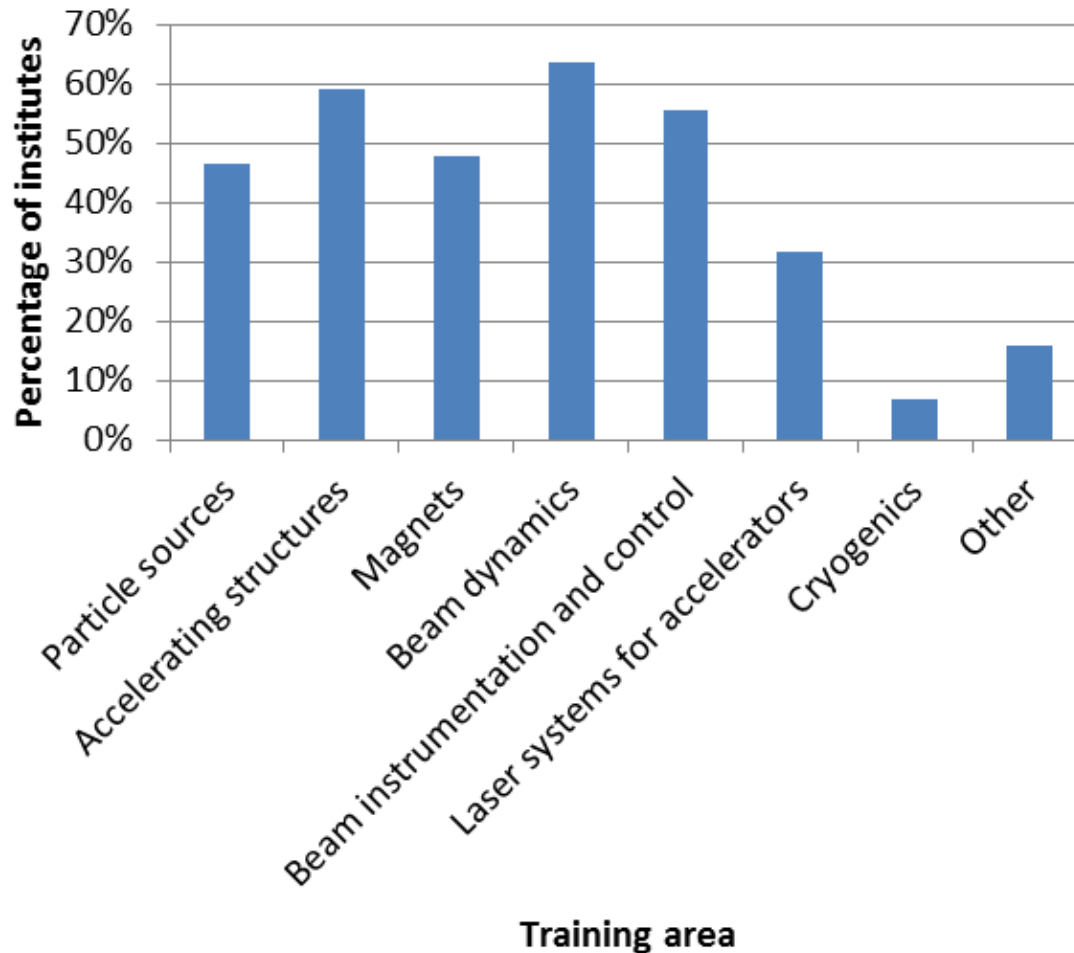
Formal training hours

- 55 / 75 institutes reported 'formal' training hours



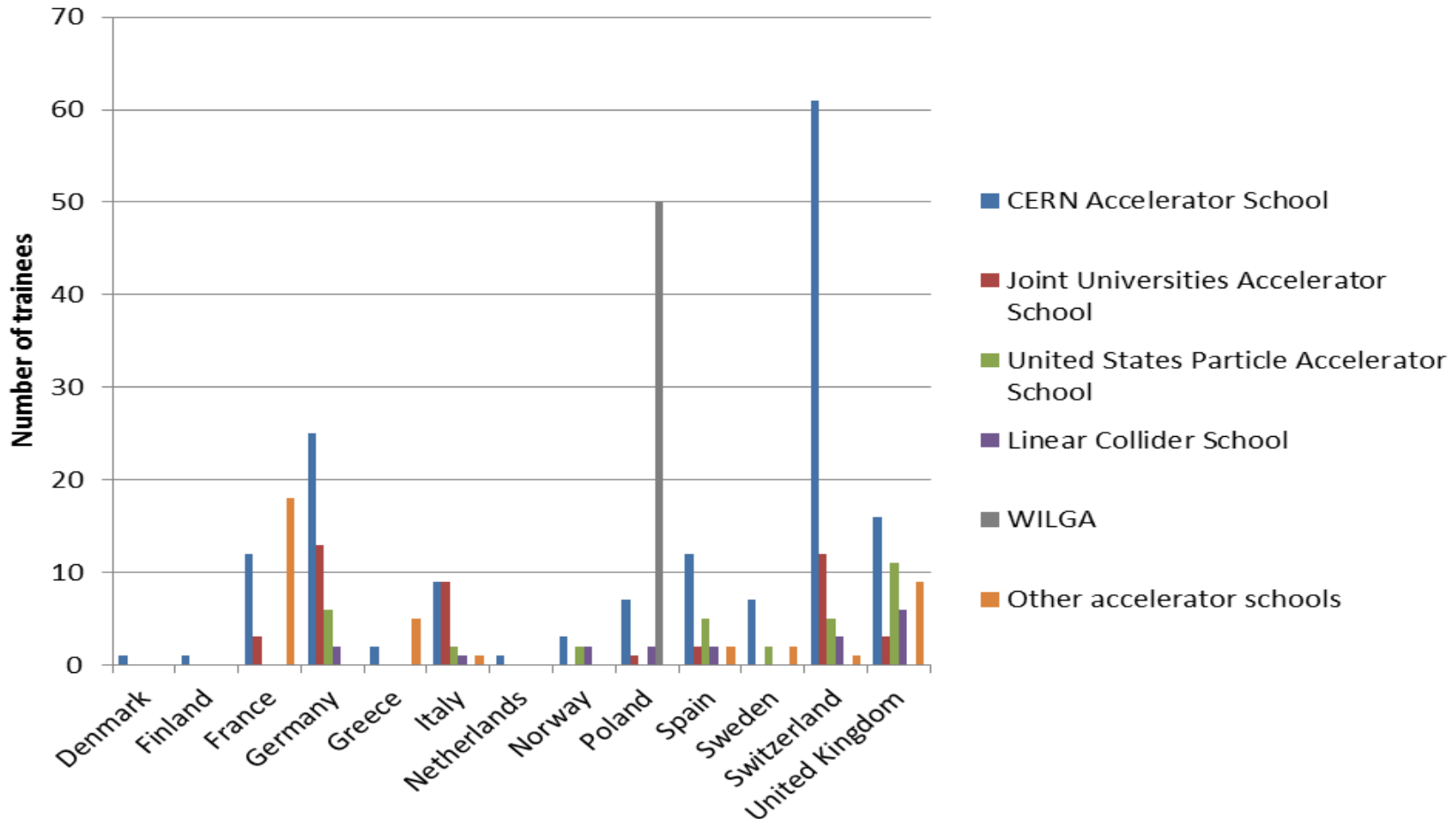
Training subjects

- 72 institutes reported on training subjects



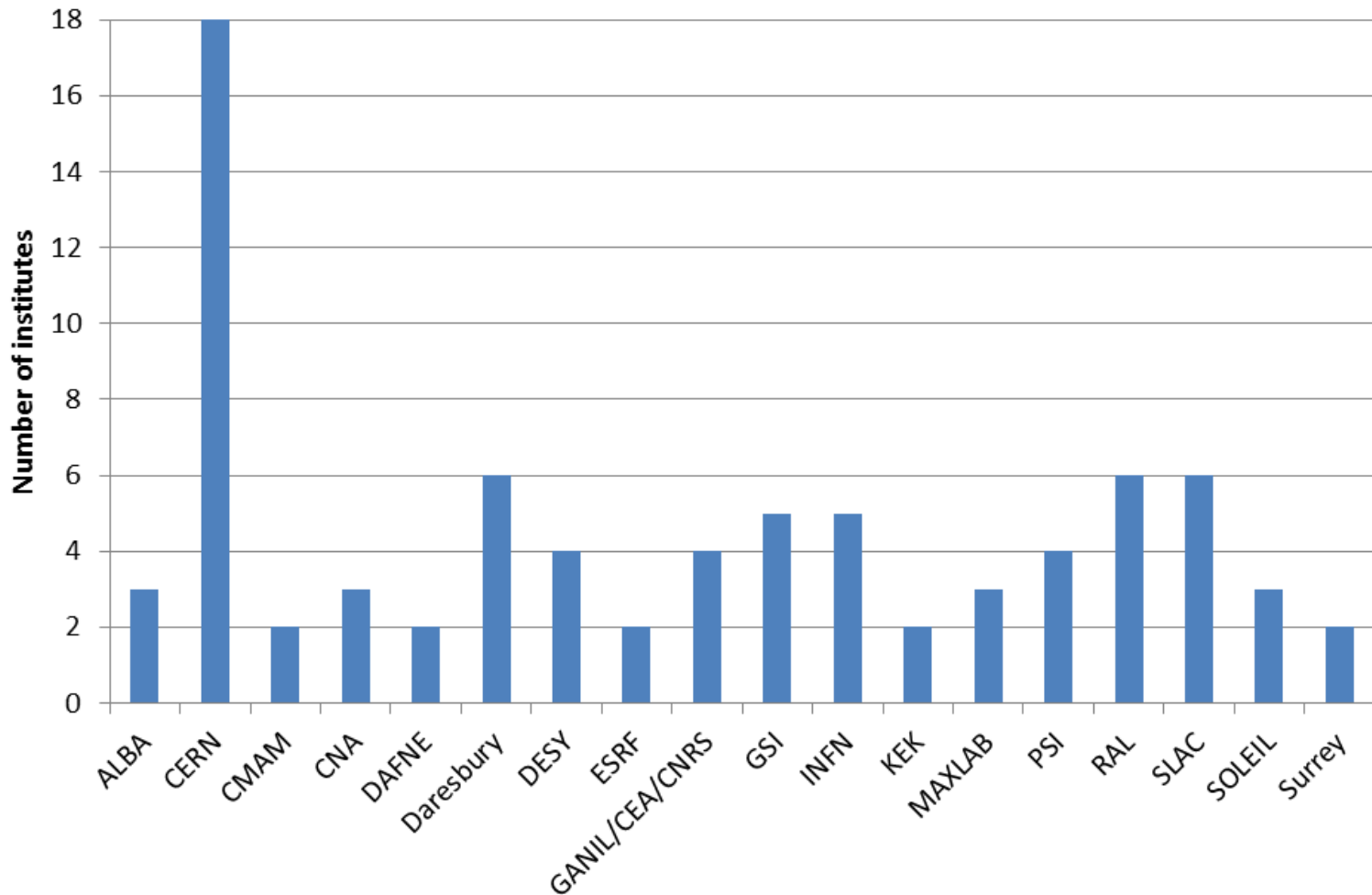
Accelerator school attendance

- 83 institutes send people to accelerator schools:
339 people (2011)



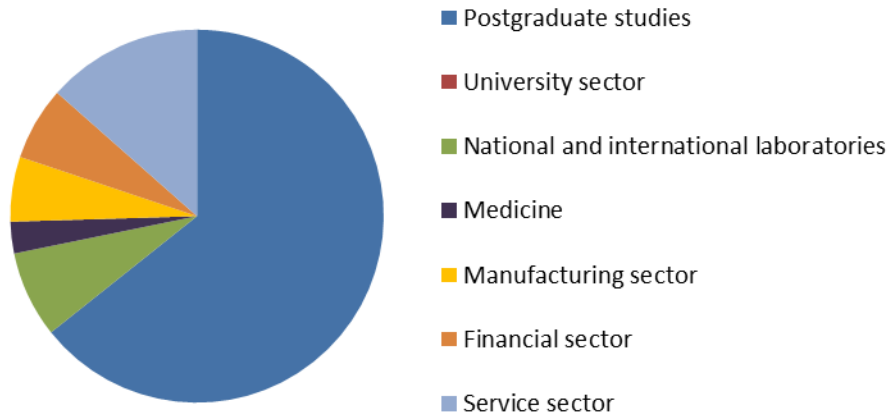
Use of facilities for training

- 59 institutes reported using 51 facilities

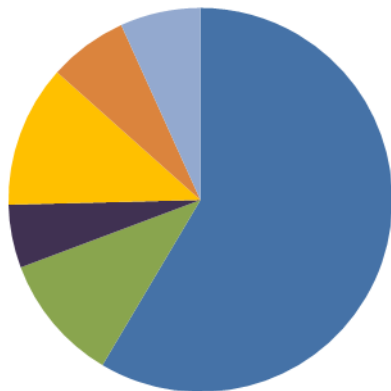


Career destinations

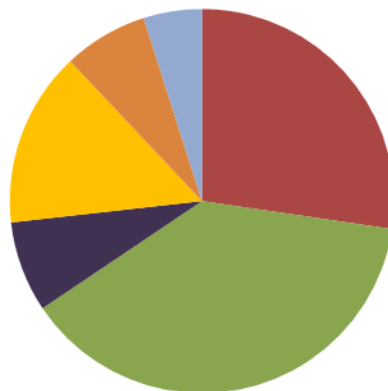
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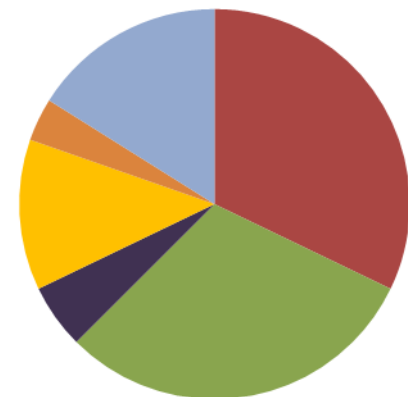
Master's-level students



PhD students



Post-doctoral fellows



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- **At each educational stage, about 1/3 of trainees go to industry, finance, medicine ...**

Survey of 'needs' for personnel

Markets surveyed

- **Major laboratories:**
CERN, DESY, GSI, INFN, STFC, CEA, CNRS, CIEMAT ...
- **Universities**
- **Large projects/facilities:**
XFEL, FAIR, ESS, MaxIV, SuperB, IFMIF ...
- **Companies**
- **Medical facilities:**
X-ray and hadron therapy, isotope production ...

Issues investigated

- **How many accelerator personnel required?**
- **Of what type? physicist, engineer, technician ...**
- **At what qualification level? PhD, master's, bachelor's ...**
- **Dedicated training of staff required?**
- **Issues of recruitment/access?**
- **Areas of key skills shortages?**

Survey responses

- **70 research institutes**
 - accelerator-related personnel 3638**
- **44 companies**
 - accelerator-related personnel 993**
 - ‘patchy’ response**
 - company data ‘anonymised’**
 - nevertheless some conclusions can be drawn**
- **X-ray and hadron therapy facilities**

Accelerator personnel

	Research institutes	№ staff	Companies	№ staff
France	16	562	2 ¹	87
Germany	5	809	1	10
Italy	12	412	10	95
Nordic countries	10	142	1	90
Poland	2	64	1	504
Spain	9	161	27	137
Switzerland	2	1247	1	45
United Kingdom	16	242	1	25
Total	70	3638	44	993

Table 1. Number of responding research institutes and companies by country

'Needs for accelerator scientists' report

<http://cds.cern.ch/record/1521336/files/TIARA-REP-WP5-2013-005.pdf>



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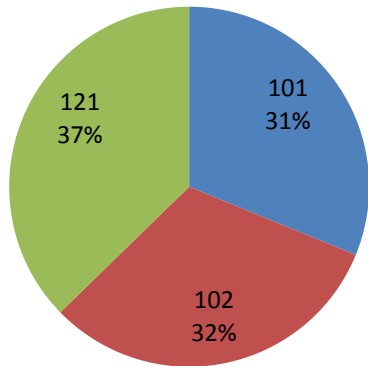
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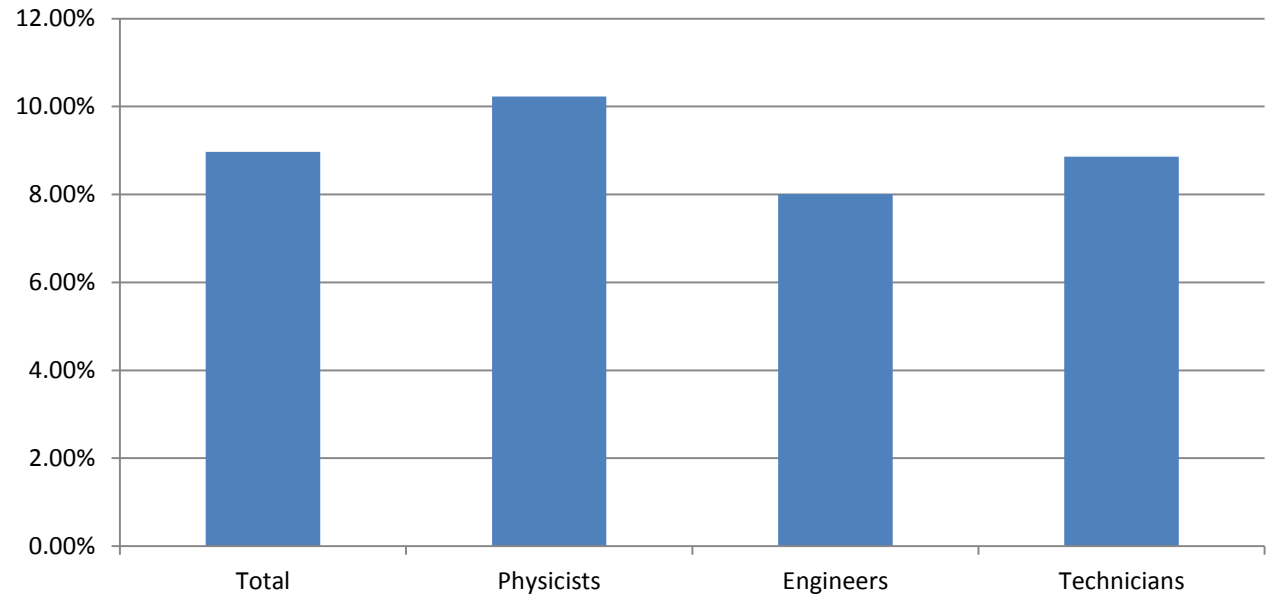
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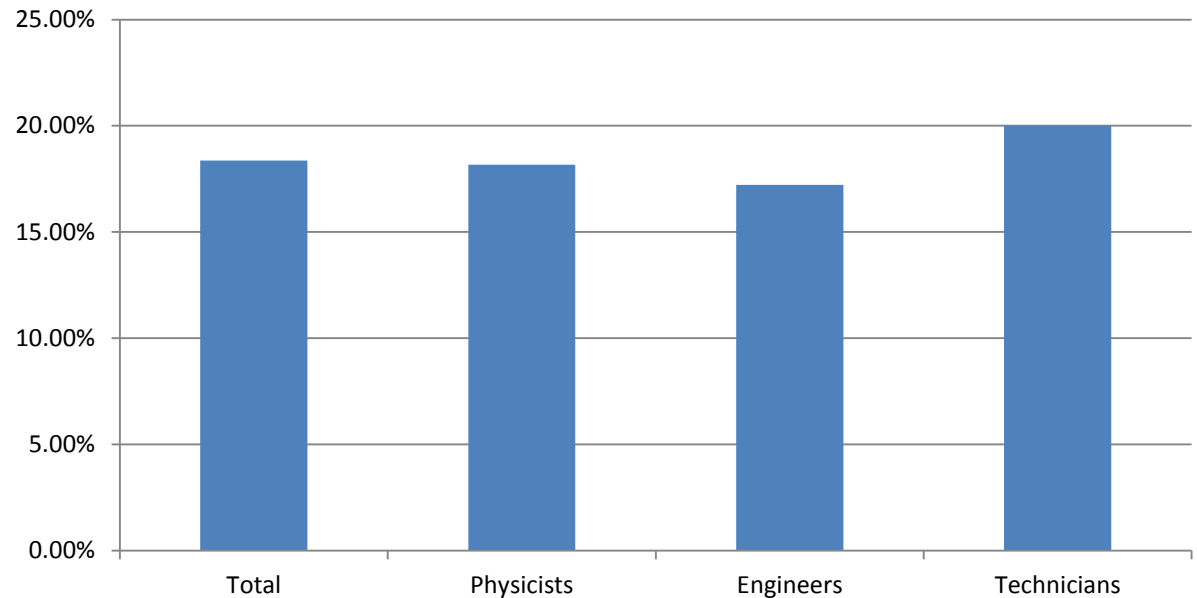
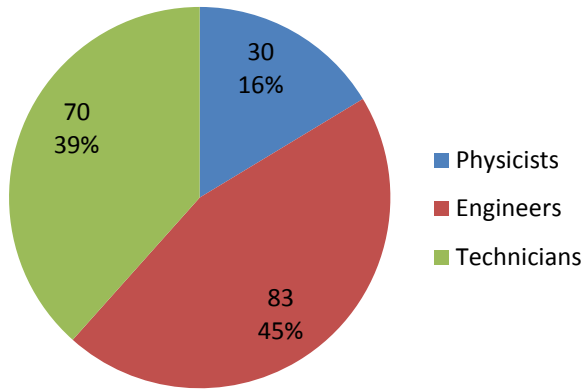
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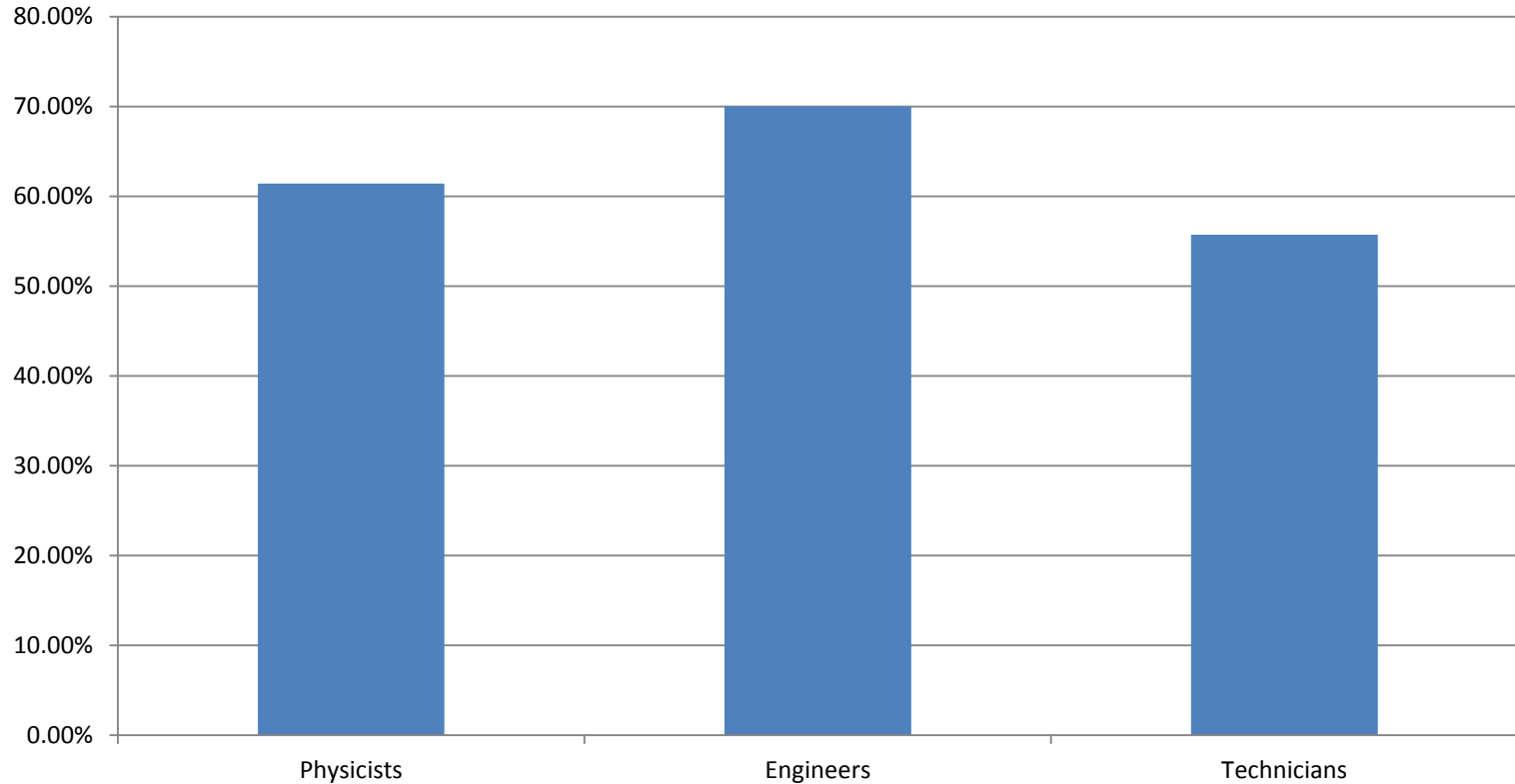
- Physicists
- Engineers
- Technicians



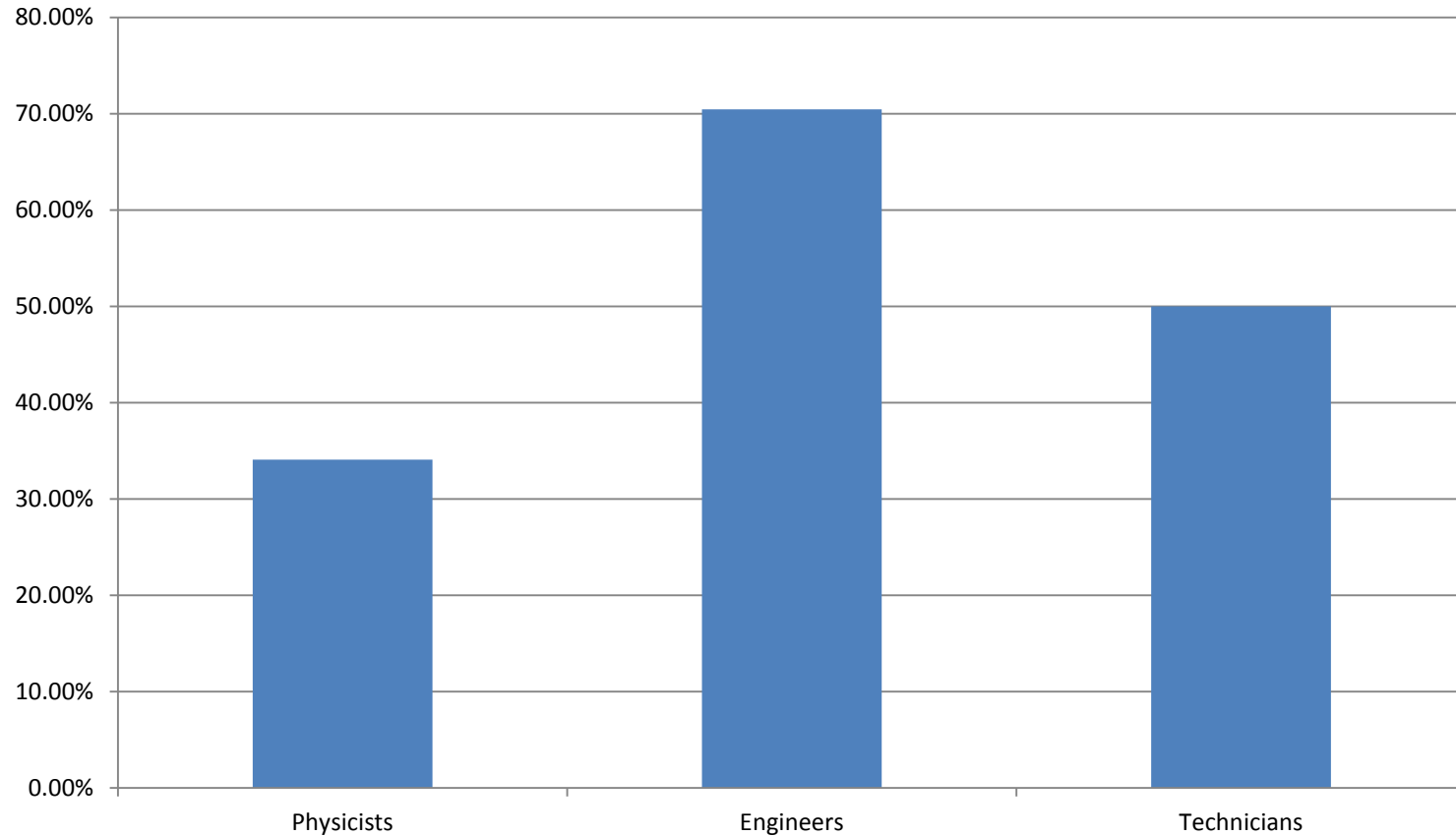
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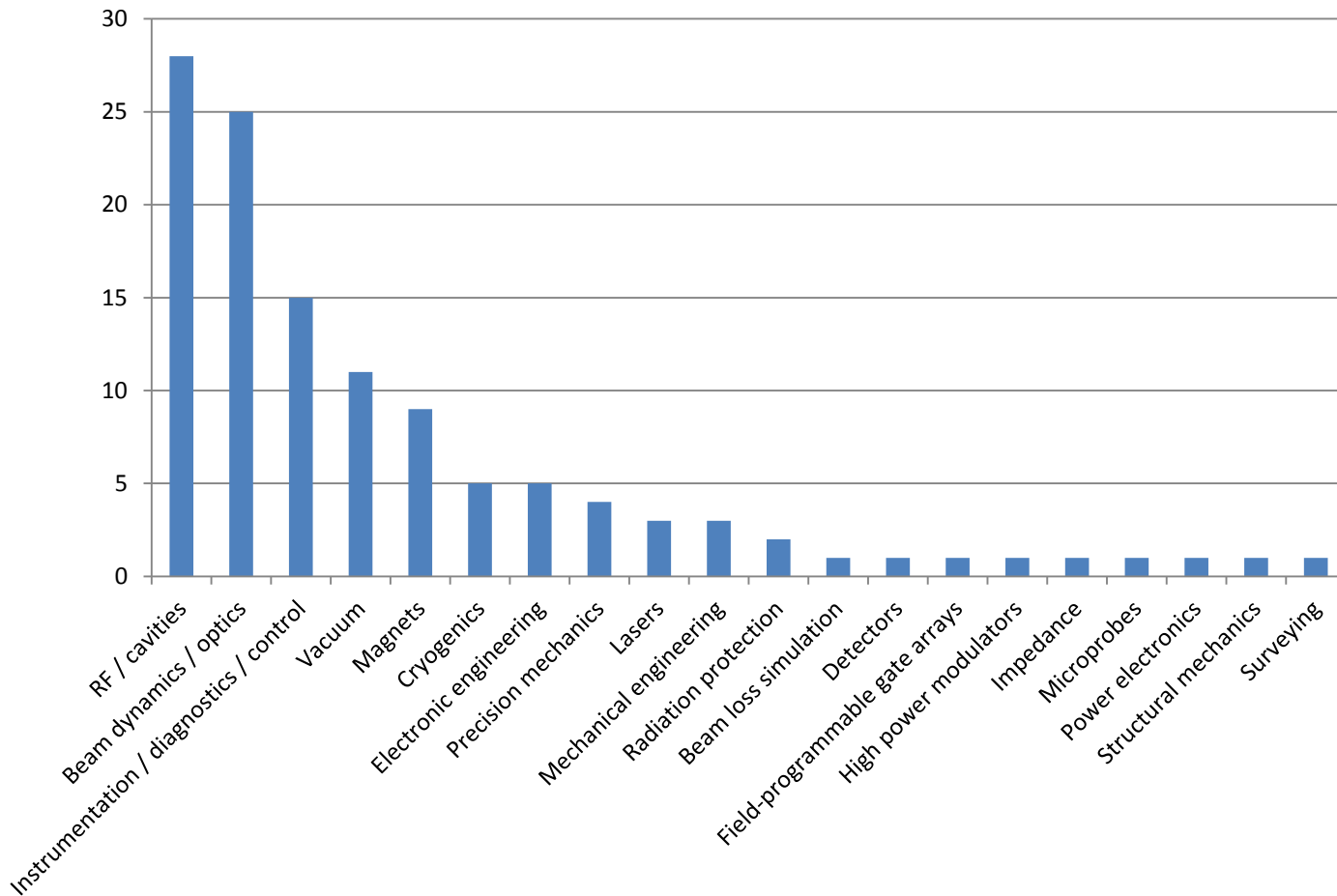
Recruitment difficulty: institutes



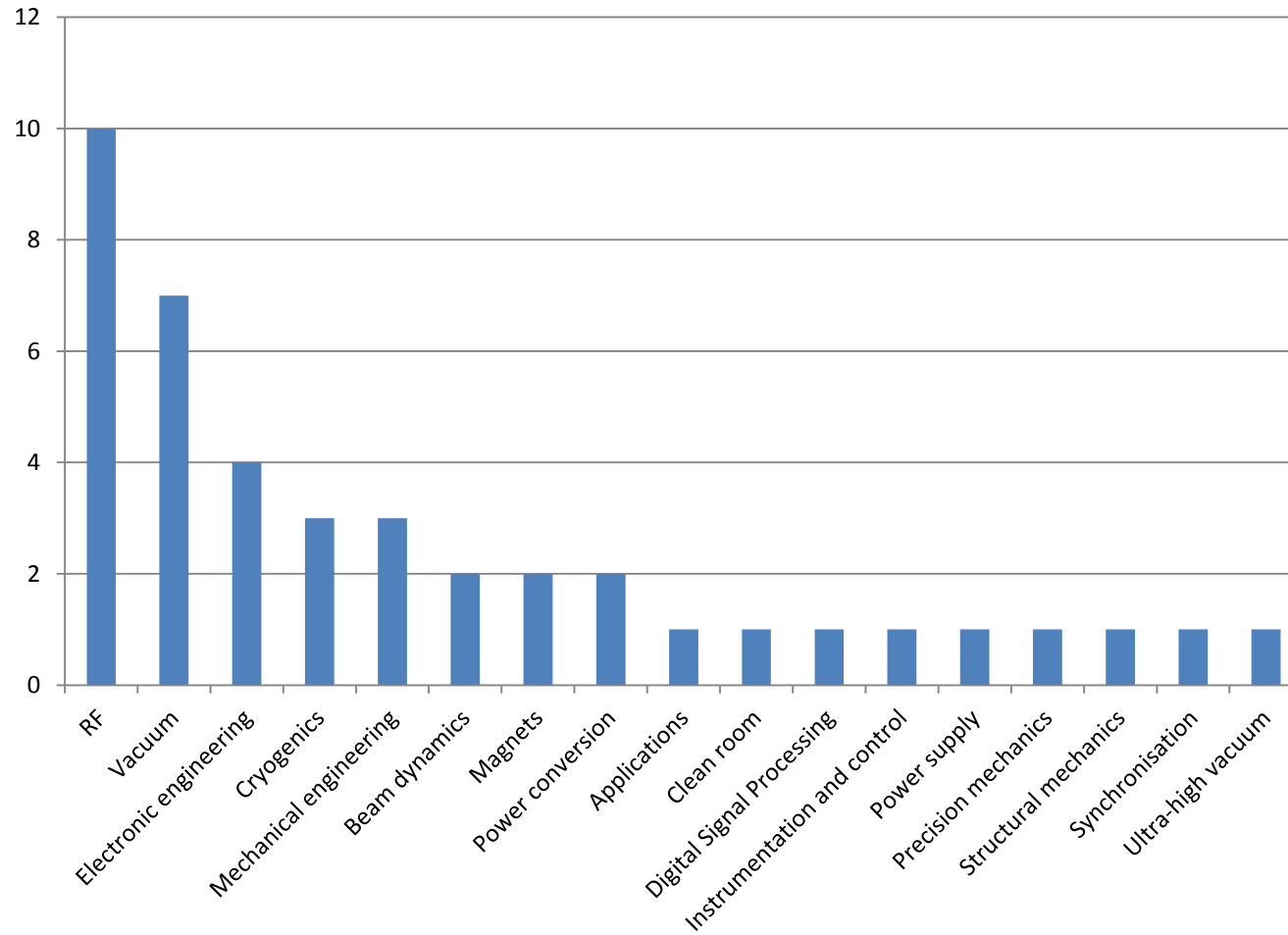
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Skills shortages: institutes



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Medical facilities

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- **Hadron therapy in Europe (PTCOG):**
 - 12 operating centres: 10-15 accel. staff each**
 - +9 in construction, +2 UK**
- **Doubling of trained personnel within 5-10 years?**

Market survey conclusions

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- **Training: 94% institutes, 75% of companies; significant need (c. 60%) for external training**

Recommendations

- **Improving supply of trained personnel**
- **Improving access to opportunities for personnel**
- **Improving external access to trained personnel**
- **Promoting accelerator science in society**

Final TIARA WP5 report

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	2. Internships at 'local', or an international, accelerator laboratory.	150,000 Euro + 3 person months, per annum.	Intern month 1,500	100
Master's-level training	3. Bursary support to attend established international and national accelerator schools.	100,000 Euro + 2 person-months, per annum.	Bursary 2,000	50
	4. European Master's fellowship scheme.	200,000 Euro (year 1), 400,000 Euro (year 2 and per annum thereafter) + 2 person months per annum.	Fellowship 20,000 Euro	10
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PhD-level training	6. Bursary support to attend established international and national accelerator schools.	100,000 Euro + 2 person-months, per annum.	Bursary 2,000	50
	7. European PhD fellowship scheme.	250,000 Euro (year 1), 500,000 Euro (year 2), 750,000 Euro (year 3 and per annum thereafter) + 2 person months per annum.	Fellowship 25,000	10
Structural support	9. Enhanced accelerator schools provision.	100,000 Euro + 1 person-month, per annum.	N/A	
	10. www-portal	6 months (course setup) + 2 months per annum thereafter (centralised course monitoring and support) + IT infrastructure (server, software tools etc.).		
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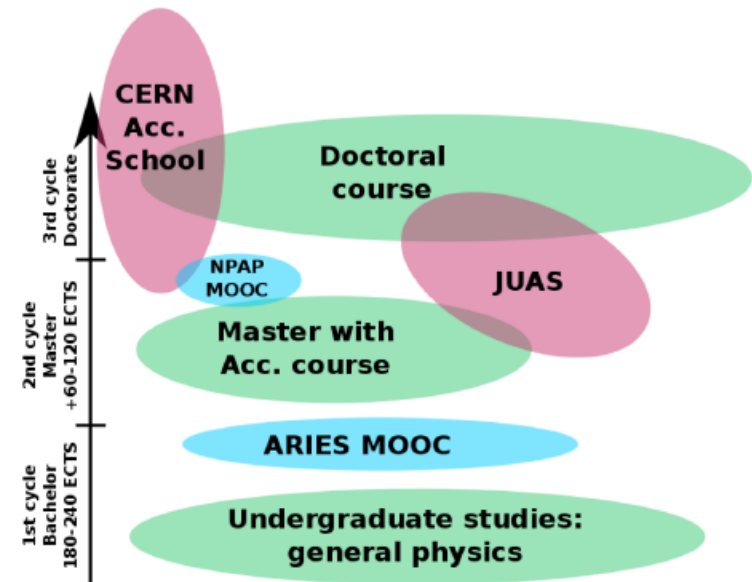
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	7. European PhD fellowship scheme.	250,000 Euro (year 1), 500,000 Euro (year 2), 750,000 Euro (year 3 and per annum thereafter) + 2 person months per annum.	Fellowship 25,000	10
Structural support	9. Enhanced accelerator schools provision.	100,000 Euro + 1 person-month, per annum.	N/A	
	10. www-portal	6 months (course setup) + 2 months per annum thereafter (centralised course monitoring and support) + IT infrastructure (server, software tools etc.).		
Outreach	11. Outreach support	1 MEuro per annum	Per country 100,000	10

ARIES WP2: e-learning initiative ('MOOC')

Accelerator Research and Innovation for European Science and Society

- This Massive Open Online Course aims at raising awareness on Accelerator Science and Technology among University students.
- Complementary to JUAS, CAS and University courses.
- It is organised in 2 modules:
 - an introductory module
4 topics of 1 hours each
 - an advanced module
6 topics of 1 hours each

Also eg. Nordic MOOC



ARIES MOOC Status (21/4/21)

- **Introductory module**

- Introduction (Philippe Lebrun):

Almost ready for recording

- Electromagnetism (Vittorio Vaccaro):

Recording almost complete, some extra audio to be done

- Relativity (Elias Metral): **Complete**

- Applications (Angeles Faus-Golfe):

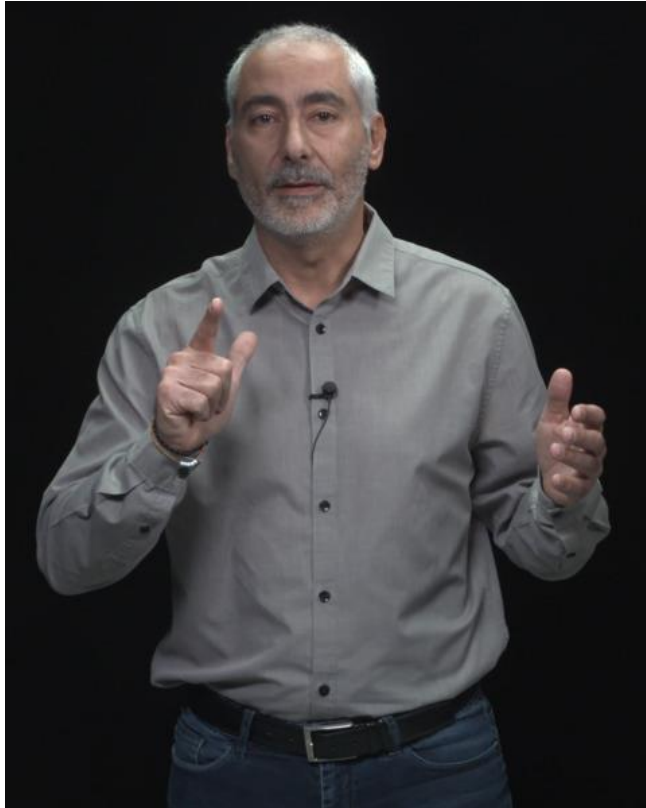
Planning for recording

- **Advanced module**

- RF (Graeme Burt):

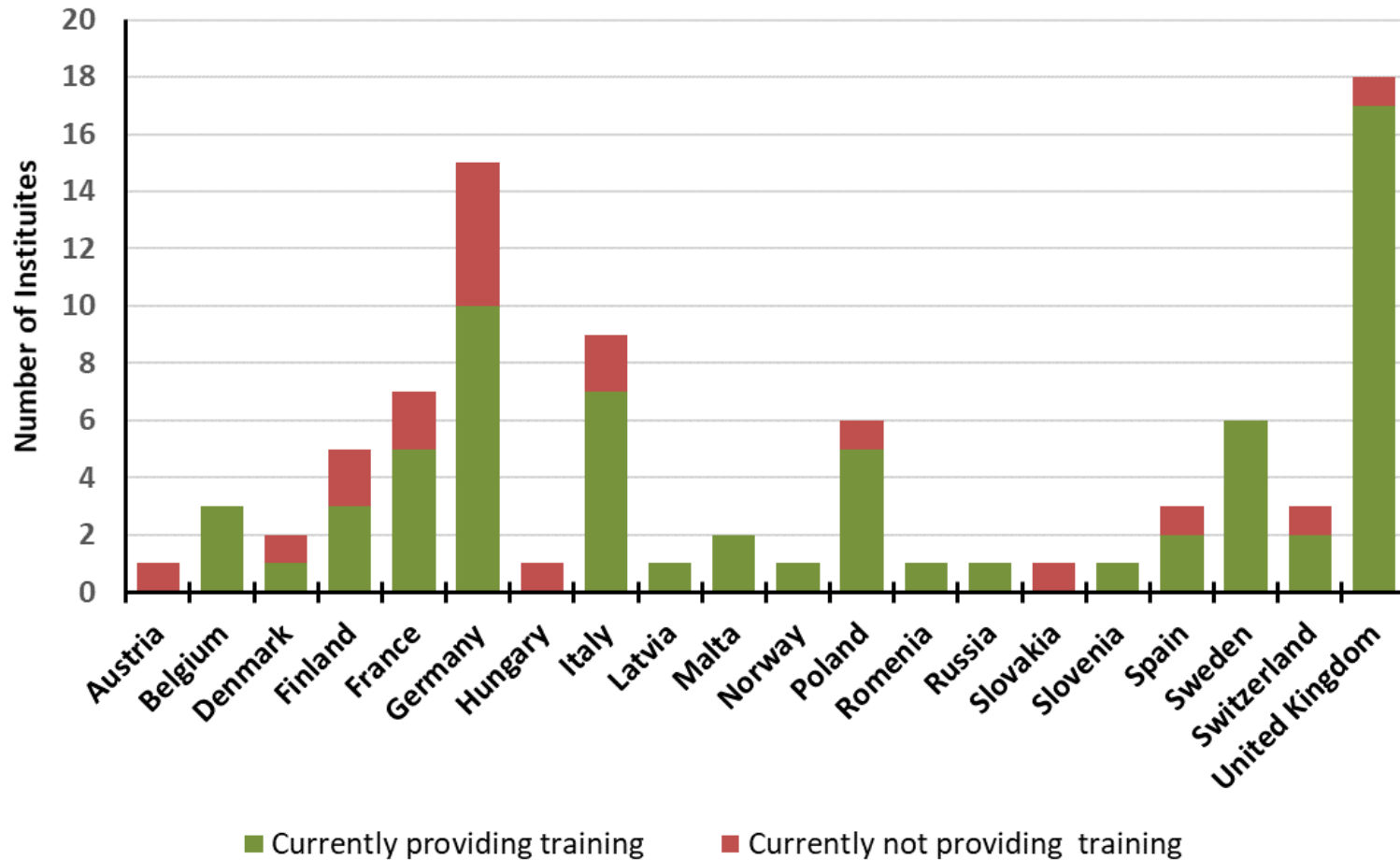
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Screenshots from the Relativity module



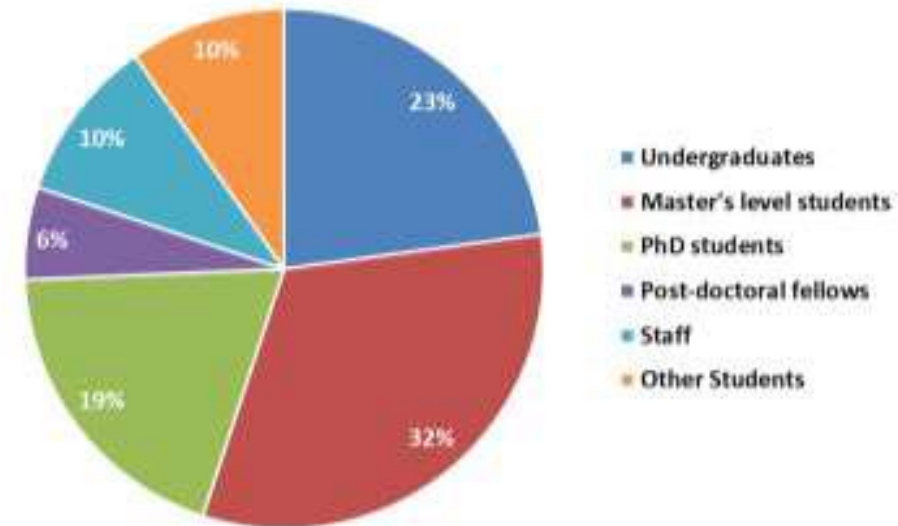
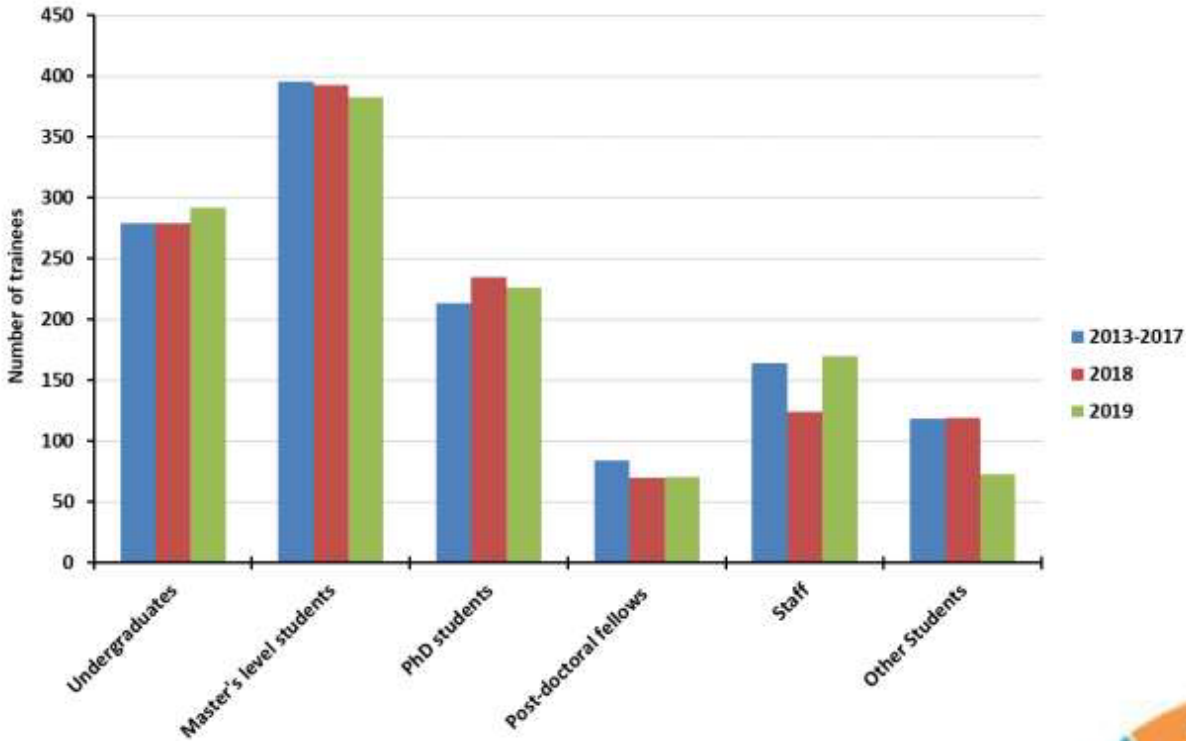
<http://particle-accelerators.eu/mooc-preview/>

ARIES WP2: training survey updated in 2020



Extended to 20 countries

2011 survey conclusions validated in 2020



iFAST starts 1/5/21: Innovation Fostering in Accelerator Science & Technology



- WP2 (PNB): Training, Communications & Outreach

- Task 2.3 (Nicolas Delerue et al):

 - ‘Challenge-based innovation’ with particle accelerators

- Task 2.4 (Tord Ekelof et al):

 - Industrial Training with Knowledge Transfer

 - internships at accelerator labs for early-career technicians and engineers at companies

Conclusions

- **Coordination and improvement of training at a European level has received serious attention within accelerator community > 10 years**
- **Superb training provided via universities, labs, accelerator schools ...**
- **EU projects TIARA, ARIES, iFAST provide framework for:**
 - understanding ‘where we are’**
 - identifying areas needing improvement**
 - sharing of best practices + resources**
 - promoting training opportunities within community**
 - stimulating new initiatives (MOOC, CBI, internships)**
- **Areas of skills shortage (eg. engineering, RF technology ...)**
- **Much more could be done if resources were available**