

# Board Paper

## **Cancellation of open RFFs 2018/2019**

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**Draft Resolution:**

Approval of Cancellation of open RFFs from 2018 and 2019.

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**Proposal:**

When GSI took over the HEPTech Chair in 2019, it was informed by CERN about open RFFs for the previous year (2018), which could not be paid for several reasons by the respective institutions (CEA, NTUA).

In discussions with the former Chair, the CERN representative, and the former Head of the IPT Department (to which CERN's KT Group belongs), GSI was informed that CERN would have settled the outstanding amounts relative to the RFFs for 2018 (9 000 € in total), so that GSI could start the HEPTech leadership mandate without a deficit.

However, due to CERN internal unexpected budgetary complications, as well as to the end of mandate of the previous IPT Head, these payments were not made.

Moreover, the RFF for 2019 addressed to Demokritos (3 000 €) was not paid too. Subsequently, the annual contribution of Demokritos was transformed into a contribution in kind, starting with 2020.

Therefore there are still open RFFs for 2018 from CEA, NTUA and one RFF for 2019 from Demokritos, for a total of about 12.000 €. We have to mention here that in the meantime CEA left the network in 2018 and NTUA in 2021.

As CERN, Demokritos and the Chair, do not see how these past payments could be handled, and considered that the HEPTech budget would not suffer if they are not recovered, we would propose the Board to agree to cancel these past open RFFs.

**Signing of Board Paper**

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