

# **Brief Introduction to CERN**

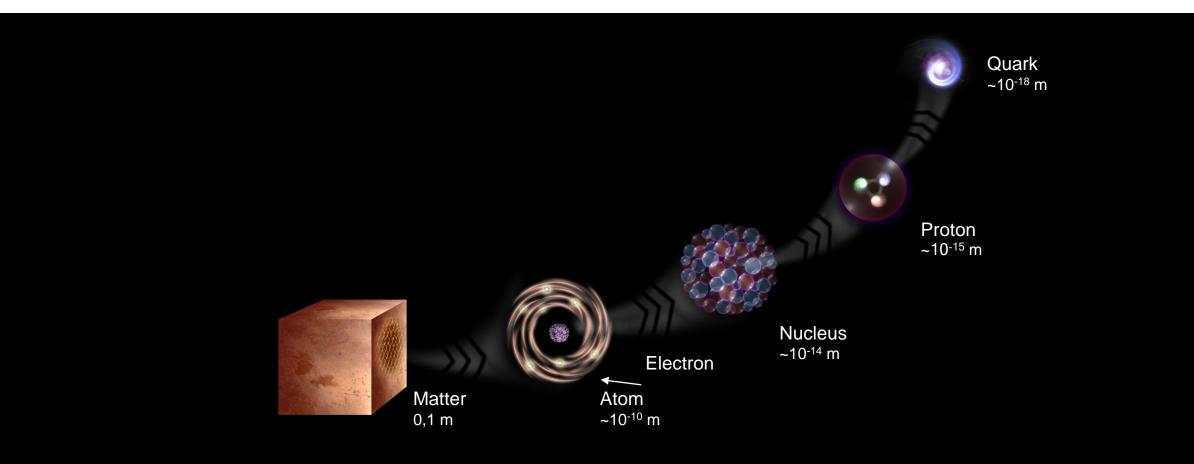
Welcome to 2021 Summer Students Joachim Mnich Director for Research and Computing July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

CERN is the world's biggest laboratory for particle physics.

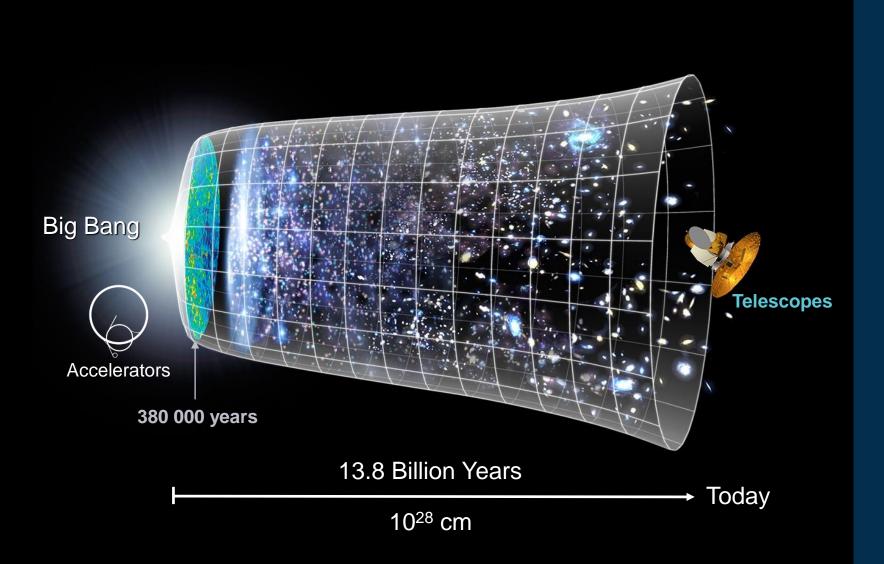
CERN Prevessin Our goal is to understand the most fundamental particles and laws of the universe.

### What is the universe made of?

We study the elementary building blocks of matter and the forces that control their behaviour







### How did the universe begin?

We reproduce the conditions a fraction of a second after the Big Bang, to gain insight into the structure and evolution of the universe.

### At CERN we help to answer these questions



Several CERN scientists have received Nobel Prizes for key discoveries in particle physics.

François Englert and Peter Higgs

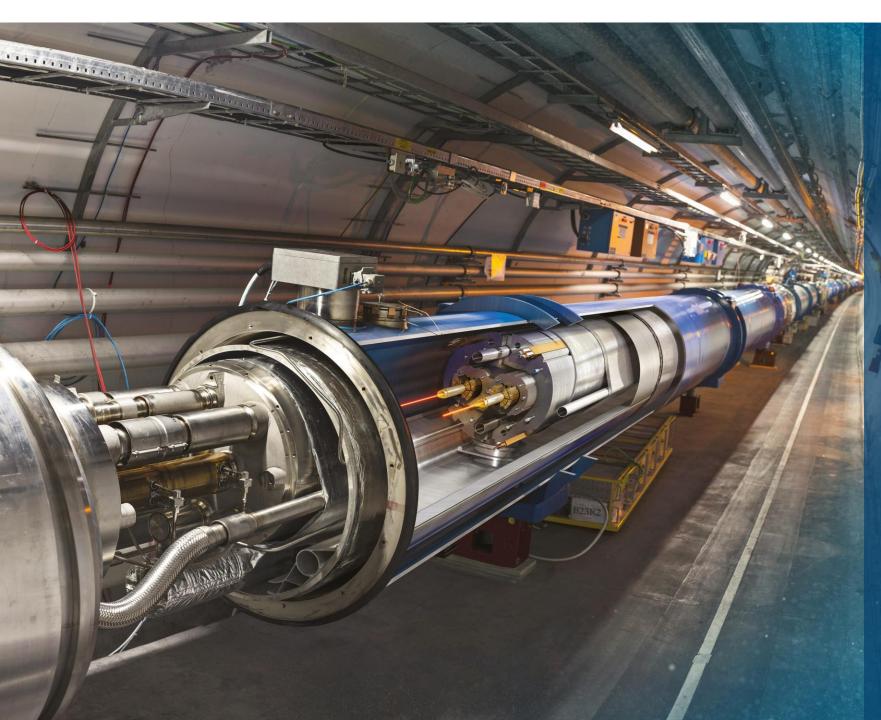


### How do we do it?

- We build the largest machines to study the smallest particles in the universe
- We develop technology to advance the limits of what is possible



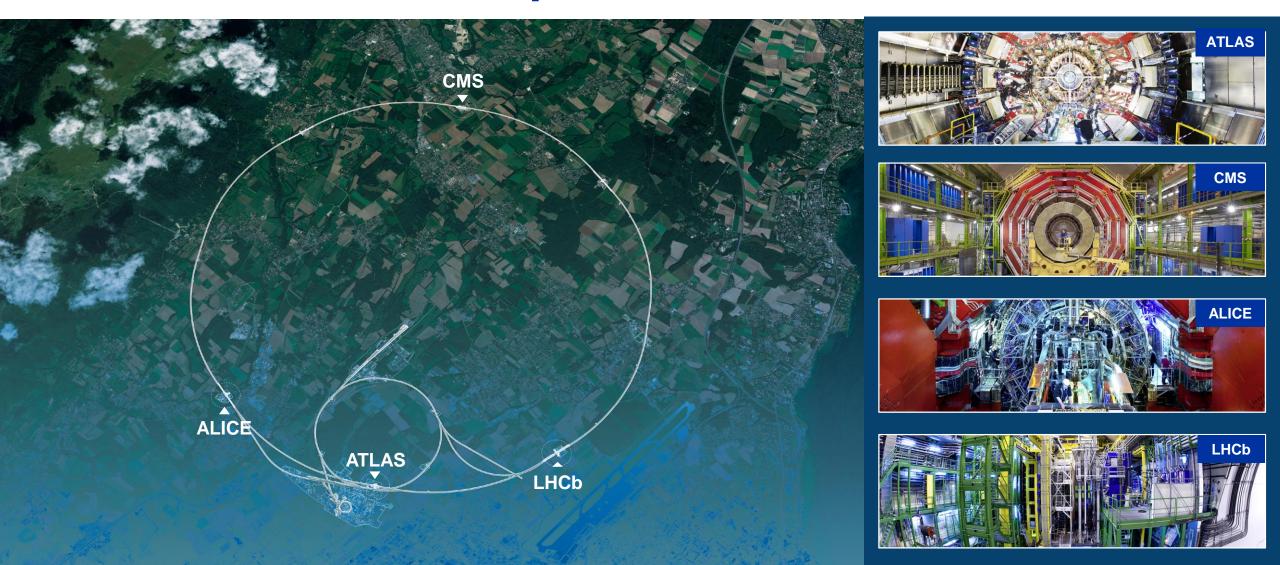




## Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

- 27 km in circumference
- About 100 m underground
- Superconducting magnets steer the particles around the ring
- Particles are accelerated to close to the speed of light

# Giant detectors record the particles formed at the four collision points

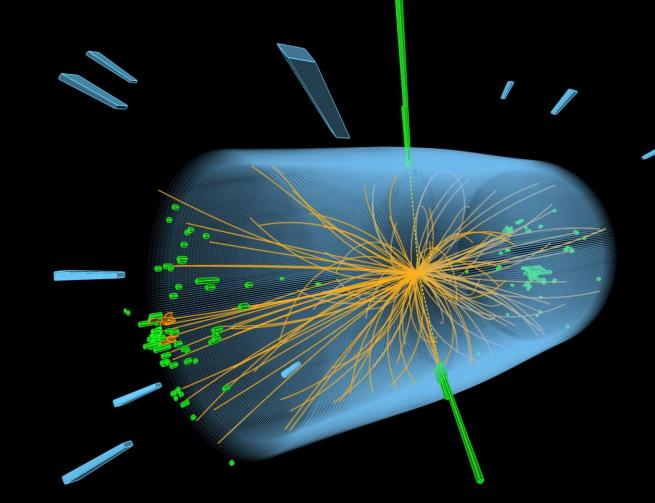


#### **Detectors:**

- size of ATLAS: ~ half Notre Dame cathedral
- weight of CMS experiment: 13000 tons (more than Eiffel Tower)
- number of detector sensitive elements: 100 millions
- cables needed to bring signals from detector to control room: 3000 km
- data in 1 year per experiment:
  ~10 PB (20 million DVD)

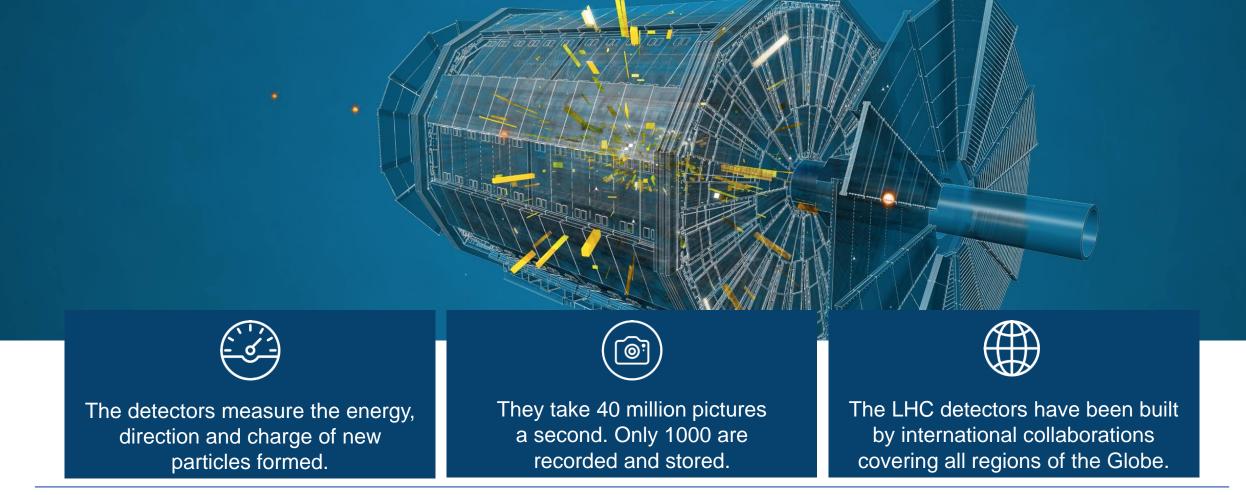


# The LHC produces more than 1 billion particle collisions per second



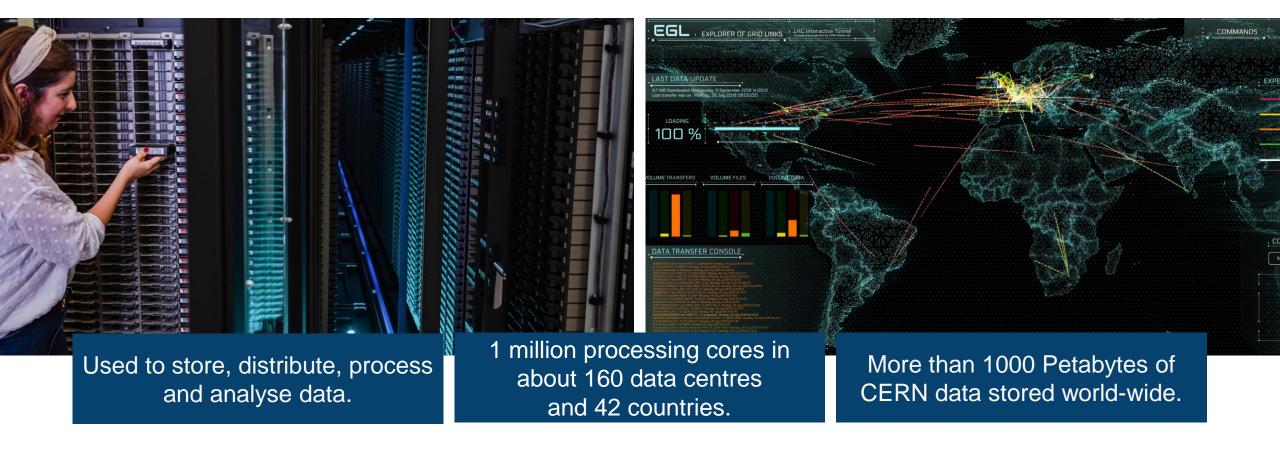
The energy of the particles in collision is converted into new particles.

# The LHC detectors are analogous to 3D cameras





### The Worldwide LHC Computing Grid (WLCG)

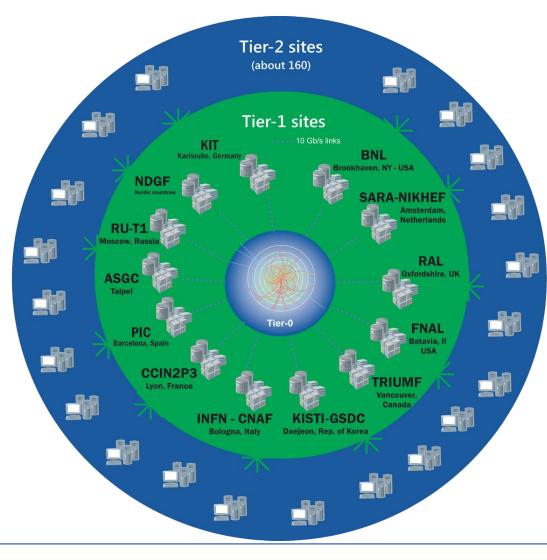




## The Worldwide LHC Computing Grid (WLCG)

An international collaboration to distribute and analyse LHC data

Integrates computer centres worldwide that provide computing and storage resource into a single infrastructure accessible by all LHC physicists



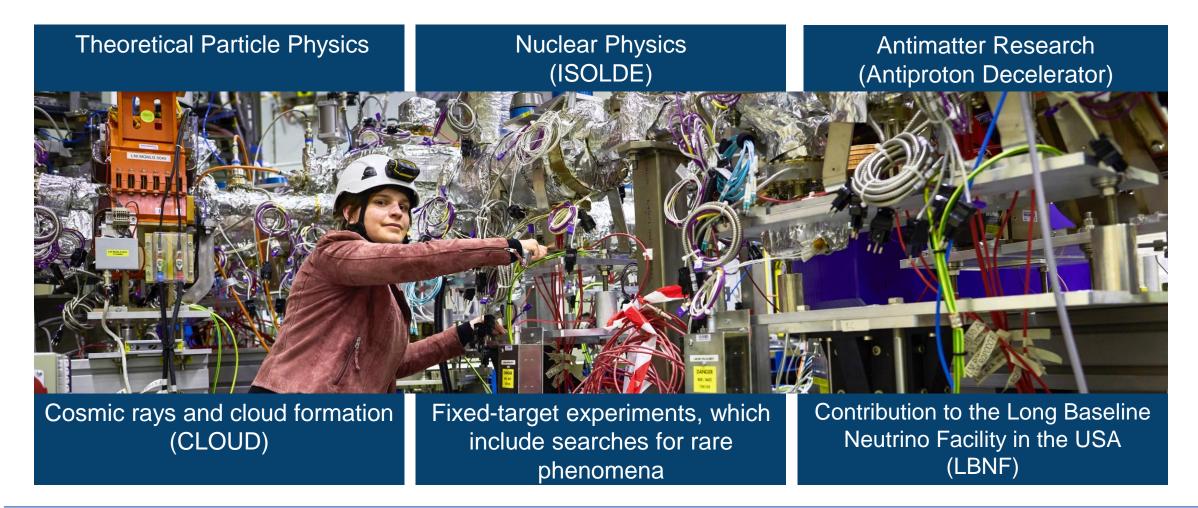
Tier-0 data recording, reconstruction and distribution

Tier-1: permanent storage, reprocessing, analysis

Tier-2: simulation, end-user analysis

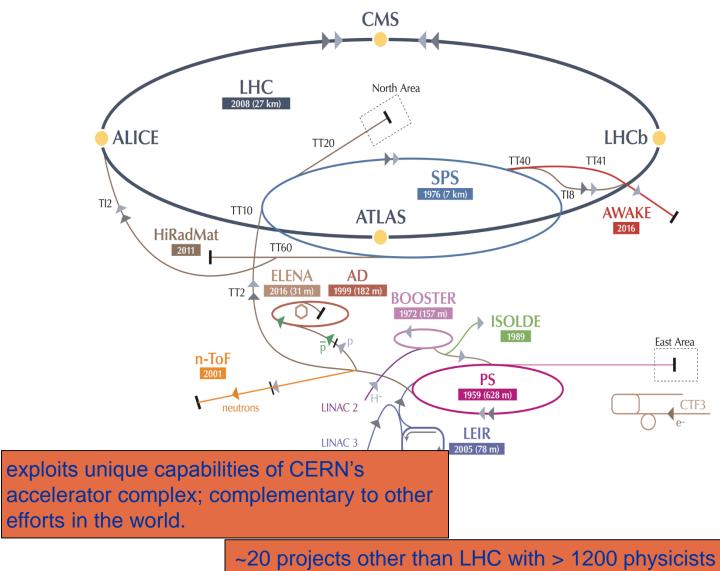


### **CERN** has a diverse scientific programme





## **CERN scientific programme**



AD: Antiproton Decelerator for antimatter studies AWAKE: proton-induced plasma wakefield acceleration CAST, OSQAR: axions **CLOUD:** impact of cosmic rays on aeorosols and clouds  $\rightarrow$  implications on climate **COMPASS:** hadron structure and spectroscopy **ISOLDE:** radioactive nuclei facility LHC NA61/Shine: ions and neutrino targets NA62: rare kaon decays NA63: radiation processes in strong EM fields NA64: search for dark photons Neutrino Platform: v detector R&D for experiments in US, Japan n-TOF: n-induced cross-sections UA9: crystal collimation



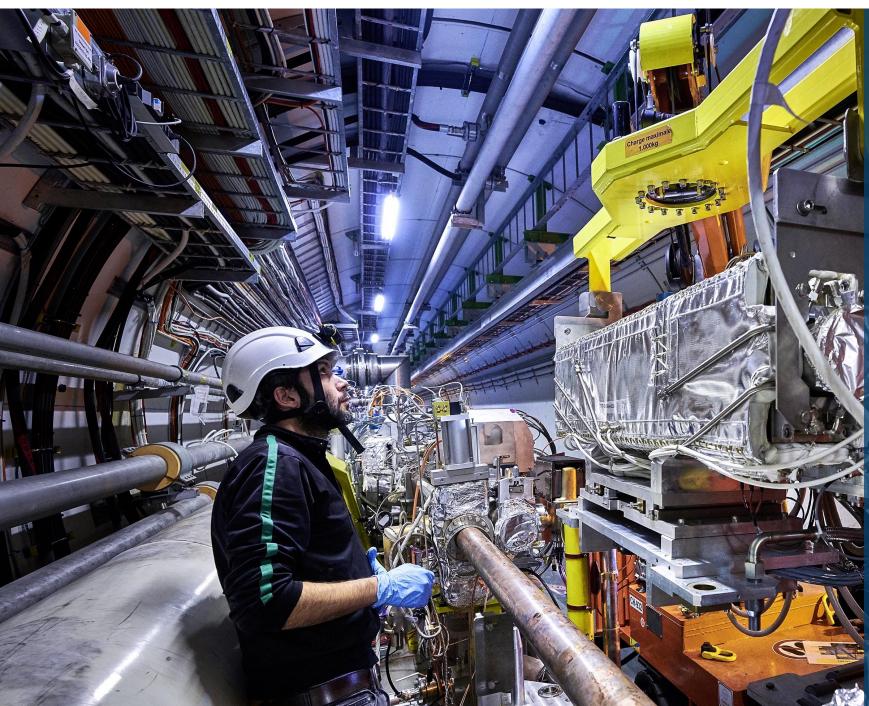
## There are many unanswered questions in fundamental physics

### Including

95% of the mass and energy of the universe is unknown. Is there only one Higgs boson, and does it behave exactly as expected?

Why is the universe made only of matter, with hardly any antimatter?

Why is gravity so weak compared to the other forces?

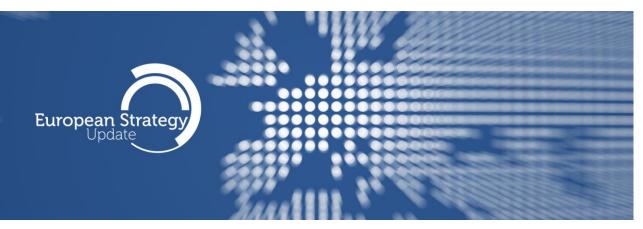


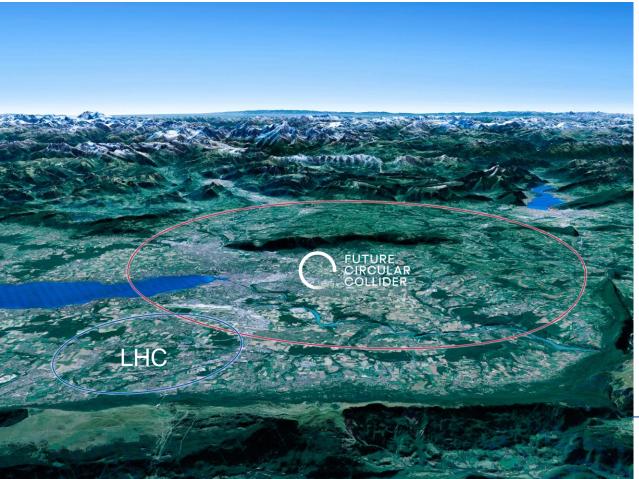
### Upgrade to the High-Luminosity LHC is under way

The HL-LHC will use new technologies to provide 10 times more collisions than the LHC.

It will provide greater precision and discovery potential.

It will start operating in 2027, and run until 2040.





# Scientific priorities for the future

Implementation of the recommendations of the **2020 Update of the European Strategy for Particle Physics:** 

- Fully exploit the HL-LHC
- Build a Higgs factory to further understand this unique particle
- Investigate the technical and financial feasibility of a future energy-frontier 100 km collider at CERN
- Ramp up relevant R&D
- Continue supporting other projects around the world

### Science for peace CERN was founded in 1954 with 12 European Member States

#### 23 Member States

Austria – Belgium – Bulgaria – Czech Republic Denmark – Finland – France – Germany – Greece Hungary – Israel – Italy – Netherlands – Norway Poland – Portugal – Romania – Serbia – Slovakia Spain – Sweden – Switzerland – United Kingdom

**3** Associates Member States in the pre-stage to membership <sub>Cyprus</sub> – Estonia – Slovenia

#### 6 Associate Member States Croatia – India – Lithuania – Pakistan – Turkey – Ukraine

6 Observers

Japan – Russia – USA European Union – JINR – UNESCO



CERN's annual budget is 1200 MCHF (equivalent to a medium-sized European university)

As of 31 December 2020 Employees: **2635** staff, **756** fellows

Associates: **11 399** users, **1687** others

#### 35 Non-Member States with Co-operation agreements with CERN

Albania – Algeria – Argentina – Armenia – Australia – Azerbaijan – Bangladesh – Belarus – Bolivia Bosnia and Herzegovina – Brazil – Canada – Chile – China – Colombia – Costa Rica – Ecuador – Egypt North Macedonia – Georgia – Iceland – Iran – Jordan – Korea – Malta – Mexico – Mongolia – Montenegro Morocco – New Zealand – Peru – Saudi Arabia – South Africa – United Arab Emirates – Vietnam



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## A laboratory for people around the world

Distribution of all CERN Users by the country of their home institutes as of 31 December 2020

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Geographical & cultural diversity Users of **110 nationalities** ~ **23% women** 

#### Member States 6632

Austria 82 – Belgium 122 – Bulgaria 37 – Czech Republic 221 Denmark 35 – Finland 79 – France 794 – Germany 1185 Greece 138 – Hungary 67 – Israel 63 – Italy 1388 Netherlands 166 – Norway 78 – Poland 272 – Portugal 80 Romania 99 – Serbia 35 – Slovakia 66 – Spain 325 Sweden 96 – Switzerland 329 – United Kingdom 875

Associate Member States **27** in the pre-stage to membership Cyprus 11 – Slovenia 16

Associate Member States **390** Croatia 38 – India 151 – Lithuania 13 – Pakistan 35 Turkey 124 – Ukraine 29

Observers **3071** Japan 211 – Russia 1021 – United States of America 1839



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### CERN trains the next generation of physicists, engineers and technicians



~800 fellows in research and applied physics, engineering and computing.

~200 Technical and Doctoral Students in applied physics, engineering and computing.

CERN organises schools for undergraduates and postgraduates, in all regions.



# CERN's technological innovations have applications in many fields

#### CERN is the birthplace of the World Wide Web



And there are many more examples Medical imaging, cancer therapy, material science, cultural heritage, aerospace, automotive, environment, health & safety, industrial processes.

# CERN's technological innovations have important applications in medicine and healthcare



Technologies applied at CERN are also used in PET, for medical imaging and diagnostics.

Accelerator technologies are applied in cancer radiotherapy with protons, ions and electrons.



Pixel detector technologies are used for high resolution 3D colour X-ray imaging.

CERN produces innovative radioisotopes for nuclear medicine research.

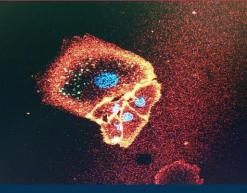




### **CERN openIab Summer Student Projects**



Simulation in the Cloud



Preserving Data Analysis



Control Systems in the LHC





### **CERN openlab Research Activities**

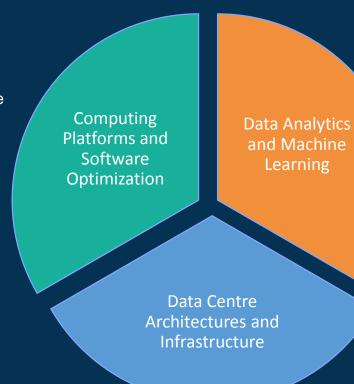
Accelerated computing platforms for data acquisition and filtering (GPUs, FPGA, High-Capacity-High-Bandwidth Memory)

Specialized platforms for Machine Learning applications

New computing architectures (Neuromorphic and Quantum Computing)

High Performance Computing

Parallelized Simulation Software (Physics and Medical Research)



Software Defined Networks (SDN), IoT Infrastructures, Sensor Networks, High-Speed Fiber Links Anomaly Detection (Data Quality and Engineering Systems)

Cloud-based Data Training Fast Inference for Triggers, Big Data Reduction

Image Processing (Track Reconstruction, Medical Applications, Maps)

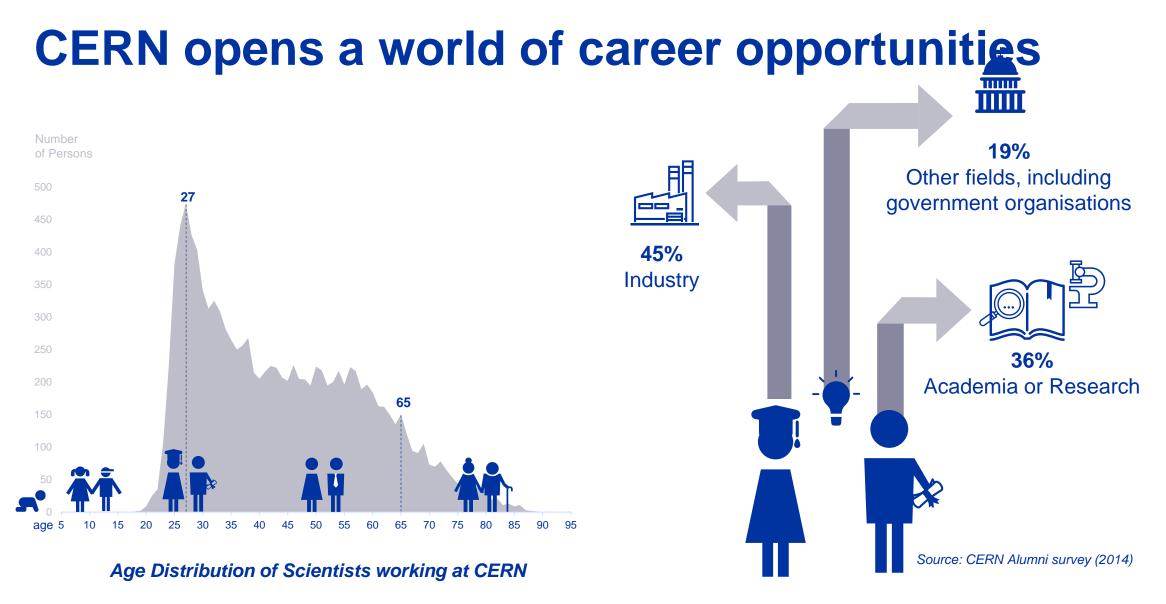
Quantum Machine Learning Quantum Field Theory modelling and simulation

Software Defined Infrastructure (SDI) Scalable Hybrid Clouds, File Systems as a Service, In-Memory Databases





## Thank you very much for your attention!



PhD and Technical students leaving CERN



### **Summer Student Program 2021**

- There are a total of 291 summer students coming from 84 different countries
- With 132 MS students, 132 NMS students and 27 Openlab students
- Students come from a diverse background of studies, with the majority studying physics

#### Gender Breakdown 2021

