

ACAT 2022

Sponsorship committee

Status report

Members, logistics



- Members: Jerome Lauret (Chair), David Britton (ex-officio), Latifa Elouadrhiri, Maria Girone, Pushpalatha (Pushpa) C. Bhat, Giacinto Donvito, Lucia Silvestris + **Doris Kim (added)**
- Meet once every other weeks or as needed.
 - Minutes available to the committee members shortly after each meeting
 - Google drive has all related documents
 - 4 meetings so far.

Topics covered



- **Contacted 12 sponsors**
 - 7 answered positively, 4 negatives, 1 TBC
 - IHEP, KeK, ... not possible
 - CHEP in Australia had special sponsored events. Still attempting to contact.
 - DOE may have special funds for Ukrainian – process is not straight forward (will look into it at a later time)
- **Sponsors may flag money toward special needs**
 - Diversity, Woman in Science, Ukraine ...
 - Allowable by DOE, cannot be used for X/Y and Z
 - Our registry indicates the special cases – currently
- **Other sponsors**
 - Discuss tourism office, city of Bari (not encouraging last we discussed)
 - “wine and cheese” spodore by local producers etc ... a few leads TBC

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- **We have the bank information necessary to unlock the US National Lab pledges (11k\$ potential)**
 - However, new DOE rules is asking for taxation for “W8-BEN-E” – a constant moving target ...
- **Industry commitment (not confirmed yet) would bring an additional 12k\$**
 - Ongoing discussion with Micron to donate gifts (Maria). Will decide what to do once we have final words (best poster or poster(s)?)
- **Total to date 23k\$**
 - This would be a good level for sponsorship



Path forward



- **We will wait for confirmation from the funding from National Labs**
 - Once this is confirmed, a base funding will allow ACAT to send an announcement that financial support exists
- **Would use a similar system as in past ACAT**
 - request information, review by the board, allocate (exact scheme to finalized
 - discussed in previous meeting and presentation)
- **If all goes well, will discuss the two above in +1 week (next meeting)**

Summary

1. Discuss sponsorship model (levels?) Done
2. Seek (additional) sponsors for the conference beyond those secured by the LOC Ongoing
3. Establish process and criteria to allocate money to provide (among other things) financial assistance (students, minority, ...) + gift allocation Next week (TBC) (initial ideas presented)
4. Bring and propose additional innovative ideas if money pool allows Few ideas, some still to be followed