



1997 – 2005



2006 – 2010



2011 - 2022

IPPOG 25: Adolescence

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CERN, 29.10.2022



My term of office: 1999-2021

- November 1999
 - Teachers already in the focus

| FRIDAY, 5 NOVEMBER | |
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| 09:00 → 12:15 | Links with Education |
| 09:00 | Introduction Speaker: Close, F. |
| 09:10 | Report from Teachers Summer Programme <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Outreach delegates nominated teachers Report of what was achieved Web Pages (teachers.cern.ch) Future Speaker: Mangano, M. |
| 09:30 | Education and Teachers <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Austrian teachers weekend; Physics on Stage - major pan European initiative involving CERN ESA and ESO. Speaker: Close, F. |
| 11:00 | coffee |
| 11:20 | Germany and Teachers Speaker: Kobel, M. |
| 11:40 | NuPECC PANS Speaker: Pascolini A. |

Outreach Meeting of 02-03 June 2000 / Palais de la Découverte

List of Participants:

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|---------------|----------------|
| J Boucrot | Switzerland |
| G Edelheit | France |
| Y Sacquin | France |
| C Gottfried | Austria |
| E Johansson | Sweden |
| D Vite | Switzerland |
| M Kobel | Germany |
| P Von Handel | Germany |
| R Moller | Denmark |
| A Pascolini | Italy |
| G Poscik | Hungary |
| J Rames | Czech Republic |
| R Riita Rinta | Finland |
| Filppula | |
| C Sutton | United Kingdom |
| N Tracas | Greece |
| T Velinho | Portugal |
| F Close | CERN |
| M Draper | CERN |
| D Barney | CERN & CMS |
| A Wright | CERN & LHCb |

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| N Calder | CERN |
| R Lewis | CERN |
| J A Rubio | CERN |
| Antonella | CERN |
| Anne Gaud McKee | Mimescope, Geneva University |

Adolescence Step 1: INTERACT

EU Project

- EU Network proposal by Christine Sutton et al. for EPOG
 - Masterclasses in UK mentioned as one of best practices *C.Sutton 20June 2001*

INTERACT *(new working title!)*

A project to explore and develop ways for European physicists to interact directly with the public, especially young people

A2 Proposal Summary

Objectives *(max 1000 characters; this is 810 characters including spaces)*

The objectives of the INTERACT project are:

- To identify a variety of mechanisms and channels (materials, activities, events) through which active scientists make direct contact with young people and the general public, in particular in a frontier area of science, namely high-energy particle physics.
- To select specific mechanisms and channels for appraisal through a programme of evaluated trials in several countries across Europe. Particular attention will be paid to assessing the value of an activity that has been developed in one country in a wider European context.
- To produce a manual of best practice to assist particle physicists and other scientists in Europe in making direct contact with the public and young people in their own countries. This “Guide to Good Practice” will be supplemented by a database of mechanisms and channels associated with different target audiences, such as visitors to science centres or young people in schools.

A joint 25th anniversary

- Roger Barlow's masterclass idea 1997
2022 Lise Meitner Medal and Prize

Professor Roger Barlow for distinguished contributions to physics outreach/education, most notably for initiating the Particle Physics Masterclasses, in which hundreds of thousands of school students have participated worldwide over 25 years.

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In celebrating the 25th anniversary of Professor Roger Barlow initiating the National Masterclasses in Particle Physics, it is important to appreciate how groundbreaking they were at the time. Then, the standard practice was for an individual physicist to visit an individual school to give a one-hour talk. In contrast, the masterclasses give school students and their teachers a whole day with a local particle physics group. Participants actively

analyse real data from large particle physics experiments, see small-scale experiments being conducted, as well as hearing talks. They interact with the research group (PhD students, postdocs and academics) informally over lunch and drinks breaks and in the sessions. They are directly exposed to the enthusiasm and excitement of actually doing particle physics.

Adolescence Step 2: Never give up

- 2001 EU- proposal not approved

Block 1: Scientific and technological quality and innovation

The objective to identify best practices for communicating physics to the public. The physics component of the project is undoubtedly well established.

However, the identification of best practices is not a physical question but a social scientific research problem. Once the public has been confronted with information or experiences in physics, effects can be identified at different levels: on knowledge, attitude and on the level of behaviour. Every level takes an entirely different communication effort. Realising this, the identification of Best Practices proves to be a social scientific research problem. To solve the questions social scientific knowledge, if not mass-communication scientific knowledge, are indispensable. But it is lacking in this enterprise. It is indispensable though to define the research objectives, the set-up, to execute the research and to analyse the results. In this way physicists will get scientifically founded and solid best practices for communicating with the public.

– But: 2005 world year of physics ahead !



First funds for EPOG

- 04/2003 letter to EPS-HEPP
 - Asked for 30.000 € to prepare WYP 2005 masterclasses

To:
EPS-HEPP Board
c/o Michel Spiro

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25.04.2003

Expression of Interest of EPOG for a Masterclass Activity in the WYP 2005

Dear Michel Spiro,

Referring to Your offer at the EPS-HEPP board lunch at CERN in December 2002 the European Particle-Physics Outreach Group (EPOG) would like to express its interest in organizing a European-wide Particle Physics Masterclass activity in the World Year of Physics 2005, if there is hope to receive funding for that by the EPS, as detailed below.

Masterclasses are events, pioneered and regularly performed in UK, where local high school students, (typically 30-50 students with an age of 16-18 years), come to a university or research centre for one day. (<http://www.innotis.co.uk/morrison/masterclass.htm>) There they learn about particle physics in lectures from active scientists, and do measurements like real scientists in PC exercises. During the PC exercises, the students are instructed by local tutors, ideally Ph.D. students or other graduate particle physics students, each one of them instructing typically 10 high-school students. The concept of masterclasses has been taken over by other countries. A recent systematic evaluation at 3 locations in UK and 1 university in Germany proofed (see article by M.Kobel, Europhysics News 3/2003) that a masterclass program with combination of good lectures and own activity leads, via the fascination of modern physics, to a significant increase of general physics interest of the students.

In the EPOG meeting of 5.4.2003 a proposal was worked out to contribute to the celebration of the World year of Physics 2005 with a 2 weeks-long European Masterclass Event. On each workday within these two weeks a few masterclasses would take place in parallel in several countries. At the end of each day, the classes join in a video conference in order to share and discuss the results like an international collaboration. This video conference would underline the international aspect of the event, and in addition teach the students that the accuracy of results can be improved by combining independent measurements.

In our EPOG meeting, the representatives of at least 12 countries plus those of the research centres CERN and DESY expressed great interest to join such a project. If on average three locations in each country take part, up to about 40 masterclasses could happen in these two weeks, corresponding to about 4 locations taking part in a common video conference each evening.

Since the material for the PC exercises is already available, and the events will take advantage of the cost-free infrastructure of the universities and research centres, this activity will not be very cost-intensive. The material, planned to be used, can be viewed on: <http://www.hep.man.ac.uk/~events> (Manchester OPAL events, event ID, Z branching ratios) <http://opal.physik.uni.de/~mkobel/schnupper/home.html> (German translation of the above) <http://www.physik-astro.uni-bonn.de/outreach/Collisn1.exe> (Lancaster, ALEPH events, kinematics, momentum measurements, event classes) It might be complemented by events of other LEP detectors, and by other programs (e.g. "Hands on CERN", Stockholm) which perform the same measurements.

For about 40 such masterclasses we made up a very rough cost estimate. The cost estimate will be refined, and the locations of participation fixed in a letter of intent, if the EPS-HEPP board encourages us to continue with our planning.

As cost per masterclass we estimate roughly

- Own cost of students: short-distance travel to University (<~ 25 km)
- Own cost of University / research centre
 - infrastructure (video conf, PCs, lecture halls)
 - Scientists giving lectures
 - Copies for work sheets
- salary for student tutors (40€ x 5 tutors = 200 €)
- lunch / refreshments for participants (50 x 5€ = 250 €)
- Printed material / CD to take home (50 x 4 € = 200 €)

In addition, we estimate about 4000€ for central organisation tasks, like collecting material for the master of a masterclass CD, and for the design, print, and distribution of an information flyer, etc.

For 40 Masterclasses this would correspond to a total sum of $40 \times 650€ + 4000€ = 30,000 €$. Of course, there might be some variation depending on the place of the events, how the 650€ will be used in detail, and if further matching funding is sought for in addition.

We hope that the EPS HEPP board will support this expression of interest and encourage us to continue and submit a proposal, listing the participating universities and research centres, and the required funding from EPS in more detail.

Best regards



(coordinator of the EPOG masterclass proposal 2005)

- Got 3.000 €, continued nevertheless

video conference tool

- OUR SUGGESSTION: VRVS (www.vrvs.org)
 - browser based, in windows (and LINUX, did not try)
 - Easy to use, Ch. Helzel will distribute technical requirements
 - first successful test last week (Hamburg, Dortmund, Bonn)



Allows one participant to share desktop needed for data average (excel sheet)

The screenshot displays a Windows XP desktop environment during a VRVS Cafe Virtual Room session. The taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several open windows, and the system clock at 11:59. The taskbar icons include 12 Window..., 6 Internet..., 6 Microsoft..., 3 Lautstärk..., Windows-Sic..., Microsoft Excel, 3 Mash, and RAT: Cafe Vi... DE.

The main window is titled "Cafe Virtual Room - Microsoft Internet Explorer" and displays the VRVS website. The website header includes the VRVS logo and the text "Cafe Virtual Room 4 participants connected". Below the header, there is a grid of participant avatars and names: Michael Kobel (Bonn -CERN-EU-), Dat Schaf (Bonn -CERN-EU-), CERN Main Auditorium (Bonn -CERN-INT-), and Rip Van Winkle (Uptate New York -CALTECH-). A "refresh" button is located below the grid. The website also features a "World Year of Physics 2005" banner and a section titled "Hands on Particle Physics" with a list of topics: "Discover the world of Quarks and Leptons with re...", "What are the fundamental building blocks of matter?", "How can I identify them?", "Which forces hold them together?", "How do these forces work?", and "How far have the secrets of forces and matter been...".

On the left side of the desktop, there is a video call window titled "Michael Kobel" showing a man's face. Below the video call, there is a taskbar with icons for Adobe Illustrator 9.0.2, Dreamweaver 3, WinShell, and a folder named "H".

On the right side of the desktop, there is a control panel window titled "RAT: Cafe Virtual Room". The control panel has tabs for "Listen", "Talk", "Minimize", "Dock", "Settings", "Help", and "Quit". The "Listen" tab is selected, showing a list of participants and their status. The list includes Michael Kobel (10 f/s, 222 kb/s, (0%)) and Christian Helzel (24 f/s, 968 kb/s, (0%)). The "Video Settings" section shows a "Transmit" button. The "Room" section shows a "Display modes" dropdown and a "Transmit" button. The "Total Received" is 115 kb/s. The "Settings", "Help", and "Quit" buttons are at the bottom.

A red arrow points from the top right corner of the image towards the "RAT: Cafe Virtual Room" control panel.

- What are the fundamental building blocks of matter?
- How can I identify them?
- Which forces hold them together?
- How do these forces work?
- How far have forces and matter been understood?

Find the answers to these and other questions by browsing, reading, and working through the Web systems collected on this CDrom in 16 languages. Most of the material contains interactive elements, some even real particle physics events for making your own measurements.

System requirements: Web Browser, Java, Shockwave and Media Player

- Hands-On-CERN** (Ca, Cz, Dk, En, Fr, Ga, Gr, Hu, It, No, Pt, Sk, Sp, Sv)

Erik Johansson et al., Stockholm

- A Keyhole To The Birth Of Time** (En, It, Pl, Sp)

James Gillies, Richard Jacobsson, et al CERN

- Identifying Particles** (En, De, Gr, It, Sk)

Terry Wyatt, Univ Manchester

- BaBar Particle Physics Teaching Package** (En)

Heather Lang, David Kirk, Univ Manchester (George Lafferty)

- Lancaster Particle Physics Package** (En)

F. Foster et al., Lancaster Univ (Andre Sopczak)

- KworkQuark** (De)

DESY (Dirk Rathje, Marc Hermann)

- Teilchentour I: Reise durch die Welt der Teilchen** (De)

Dagmar Schmitz, Univ Bonn (Michael Kobel)

- Teilchentour II: Anwendungen in Kosmologie u. Medizin** (De)

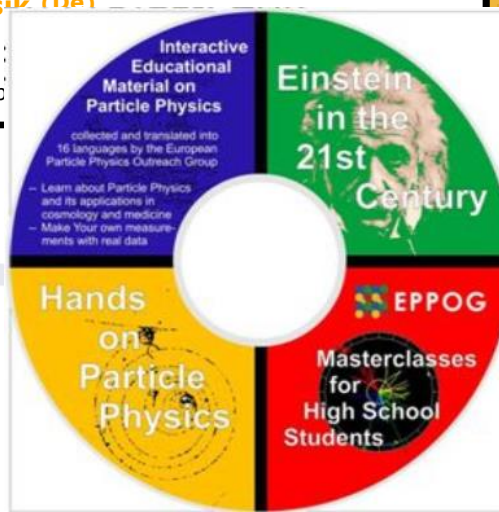
Alexandra Petri, Univ Bonn (Michael Kobel)

- Grundlagen der Teilchenphysik** (De)

German Hacker, Univ Erlangen

- Le Monde des Particules** (Fr)

Gwendoline de Hemptinne, Guillaume Leib



Hands on Particle Physics

Interactive educational material on Particle Physics in 16 languages

The material on this CDrom was collected and translated by the European Particle Physics Outreach Group EPOG for the occasion of the First European-wide Particle Physics Masterclasses 7.3.-19.3.2005

<http://wyp.teilchenphysik.org>

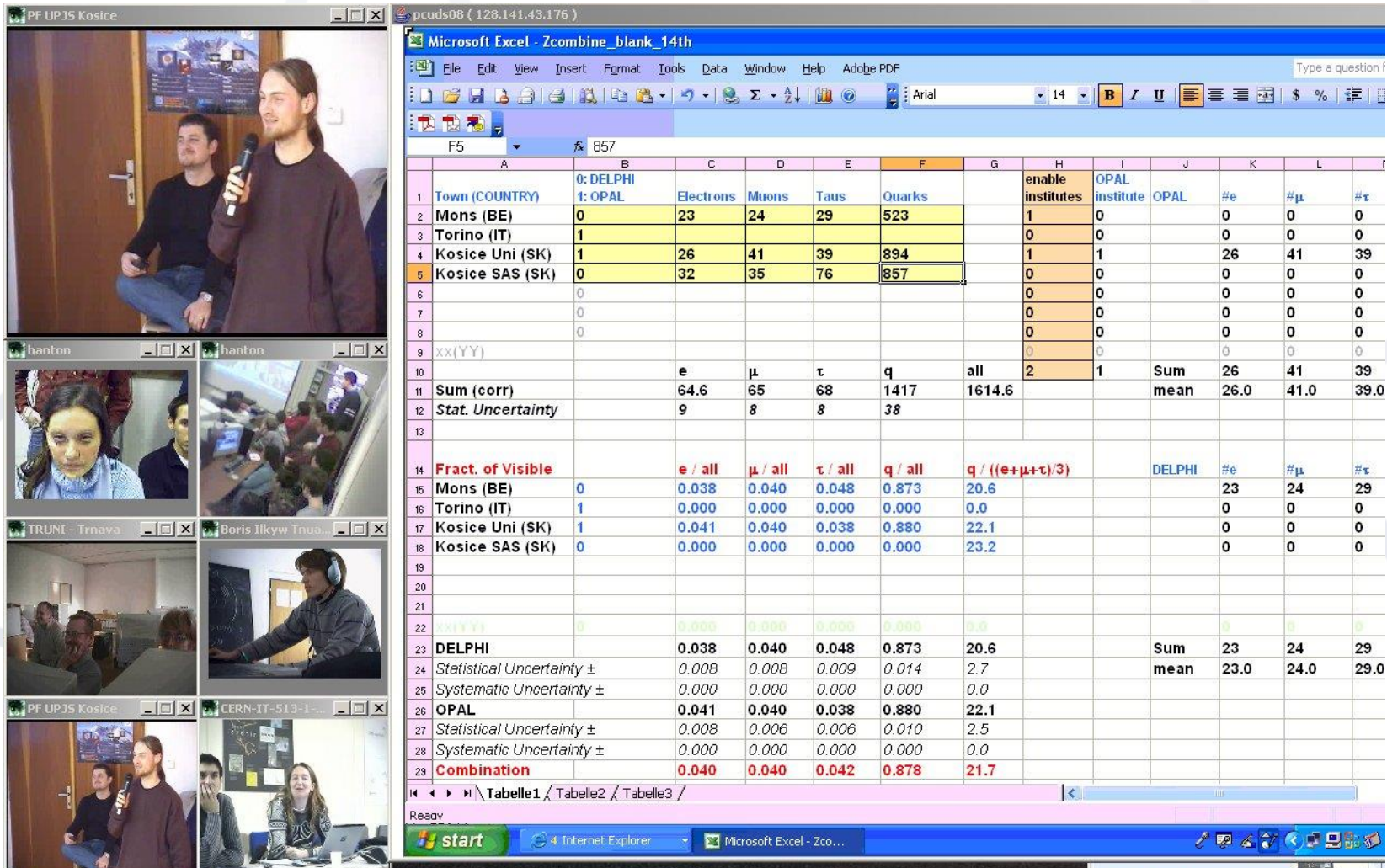


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Video Linkup

- An international collaboration of students!
- learn about discussing physics
(systematic differences, questions to scientists)



The screenshot displays a video linkup session with multiple participants in a grid on the left and a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet titled "Zcombine_blank_14th" on the right. The spreadsheet contains data for various experiments and locations, including Town (COUNTRY), Mons (BE), Torino (IT), Kosice Uni (SK), and Kosice SAS (SK). The data is organized into columns for different particle types (Electrons, Muons, Taus, Quarks) and statistical values (Sum, mean, Statistical Uncertainty, Systematic Uncertainty, Combination). The spreadsheet also includes a section for "Fract. of Visible" and "DELPHI" data.

| | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K | L | M |
|----|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------|------|------|------|
| 1 | Town (COUNTRY) | 0: DELPHI 1: OPAL | Electrons | Muons | Taus | Quarks | | enable institutes | OPAL institute | OPAL | #e | #μ | #τ |
| 2 | Mons (BE) | 0 | 23 | 24 | 29 | 523 | | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | Torino (IT) | 1 | | | | | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Kosice Uni (SK) | 1 | 26 | 41 | 39 | 894 | | 1 | 1 | | 26 | 41 | 39 |
| 5 | Kosice SAS (SK) | 0 | 32 | 35 | 76 | 857 | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | | 0 | | | | | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | | 0 | | | | | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | | 0 | | | | | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | xx(YY) | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | | | e | μ | τ | q | all | 2 | 1 | Sum | 26 | 41 | 39 |
| 11 | Sum (corr) | | 64.6 | 65 | 68 | 1417 | 1614.6 | | | mean | 26.0 | 41.0 | 39.0 |
| 12 | Stat. Uncertainty | | 9 | 8 | 8 | 38 | | | | | | | |
| 13 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Fract. of Visible | | e / all | μ / all | τ / all | q / all | q / ((e+μ+τ)/3) | | | DELPHI | #e | #μ | #τ |
| 15 | Mons (BE) | 0 | 0.038 | 0.040 | 0.048 | 0.873 | 20.6 | | | | 23 | 24 | 29 |
| 16 | Torino (IT) | 1 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.0 | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 17 | Kosice Uni (SK) | 1 | 0.041 | 0.040 | 0.038 | 0.880 | 22.1 | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 18 | Kosice SAS (SK) | 0 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 23.2 | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 19 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22 | xx(YY) | 0 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.0 | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 23 | DELPHI | | 0.038 | 0.040 | 0.048 | 0.873 | 20.6 | | | Sum | 23 | 24 | 29 |
| 24 | Statistical Uncertainty ± | | 0.008 | 0.008 | 0.009 | 0.014 | 2.7 | | | mean | 23.0 | 24.0 | 29.0 |
| 25 | Systematic Uncertainty ± | | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.0 | | | | | | |
| 26 | OPAL | | 0.041 | 0.040 | 0.038 | 0.880 | 22.1 | | | | | | |
| 27 | Statistical Uncertainty ± | | 0.008 | 0.006 | 0.006 | 0.010 | 2.5 | | | | | | |
| 28 | Systematic Uncertainty ± | | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.0 | | | | | | |
| 29 | Combination | | 0.040 | 0.040 | 0.042 | 0.878 | 21.7 | | | | | | |

Adolescence Step 3: keep going

- 2005: 58 institutes in 18 countries participating
 - unanimous poll: all (but 1 pausing) wanted to go on
 - So then, e.g. 2006 in Dresden:



publications and press

FEATURES

www.iop.org/journals/physed

European particle physics masterclasses make students scientists for a day

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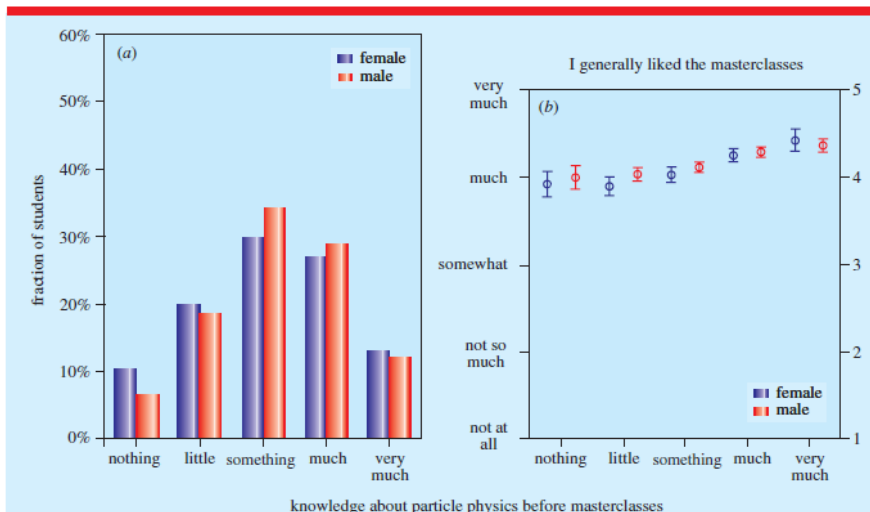


Figure 5. (a) The students' pre-knowledge of particle physics, and (b) the popularity of the masterclasses as a function of it.

INSIDE STORY

Reflections on a Masterclass

High-school student **Slávka Marcinová** attended the Hands On Particle Physics Masterclasses 2010 at her local university in the Slovak Republic and was pleasantly surprised. In this essay she describes in English her experience.

It was on an ordinary March day when I did something that was way out of character. A friend of mine, who is admittedly a physics geek, told me about something called a Masterclass and suggestively handed me a leaflet with big, friendly "Hands On Particle Physics" on it. Now, I must say that I am the kind of student who would normally like to get her hands OFF particle physics – but then I noticed something that sparked my interest. "A videoconference", the leaflet read, "a chance to analyse real experiment results with foreign universities and the CERN scientists". I said, yes, that sure was something. Then I said that I would come.

My entire preparation consisted of revising what I knew about particle physics (note, that it really wasn't much...) and repeatedly assuring myself that I won't be meeting a roomful of Einstein-like geniuses and therefore look quite stupid; that they will be ordinary high-school students with an interest in physics, looking forward to learning new things... just like me. At least, I hoped so.

We were welcomed at the Oľšovská



The 2010 Masterclass under way in Košice. The annual masterclasses introduce high-school students to particle physics and now attract more than 5000 participants. (Courtesy P J Šafárik University.)

classes and wrote down notes. The second, a lot more technical lecture, offered us a look into modern physics, something that we definitely didn't know from physics classes, something that got me genuinely interested, as did the still unanswered questions of

International dialogue

After lunch it was time for the videoconference to begin. Without any technical problems, we connected with universities in Debrecen, Budapest, London and with the scientists in CERN. We

Today: IMC19 – the whole picture



7.3. - 16.4.2019

+ satellite dates

+ Spanish VCs

(to accomodate all needs)

54 countries involved



Coord.: QuarkNet / TU Dresden



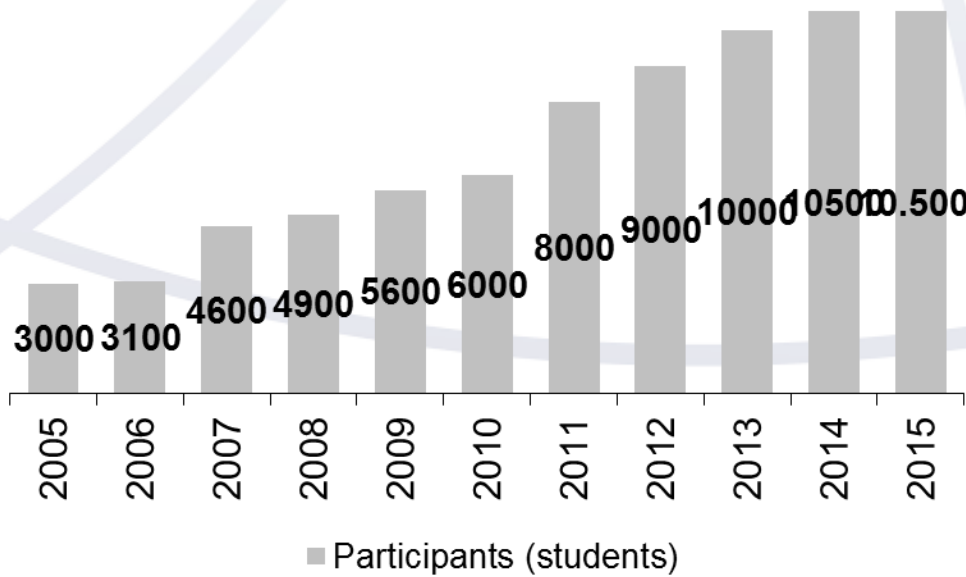
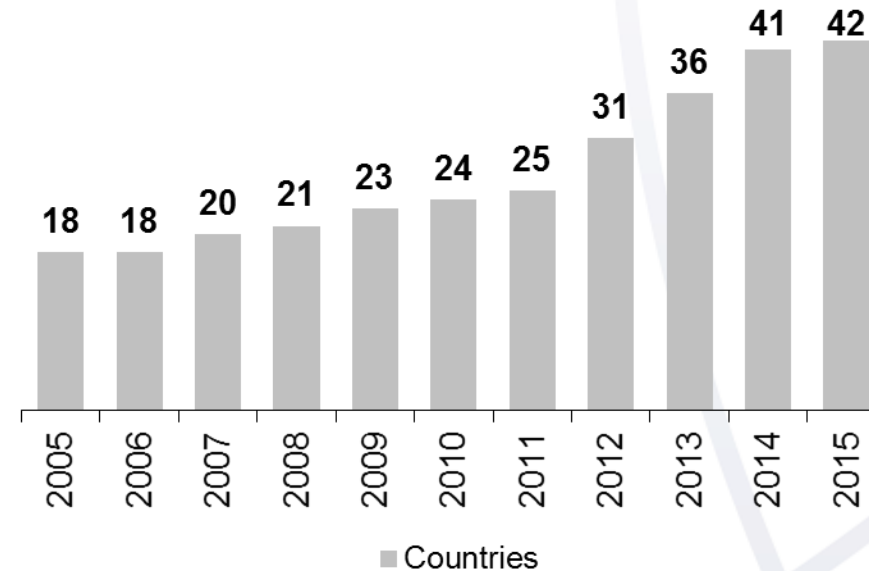
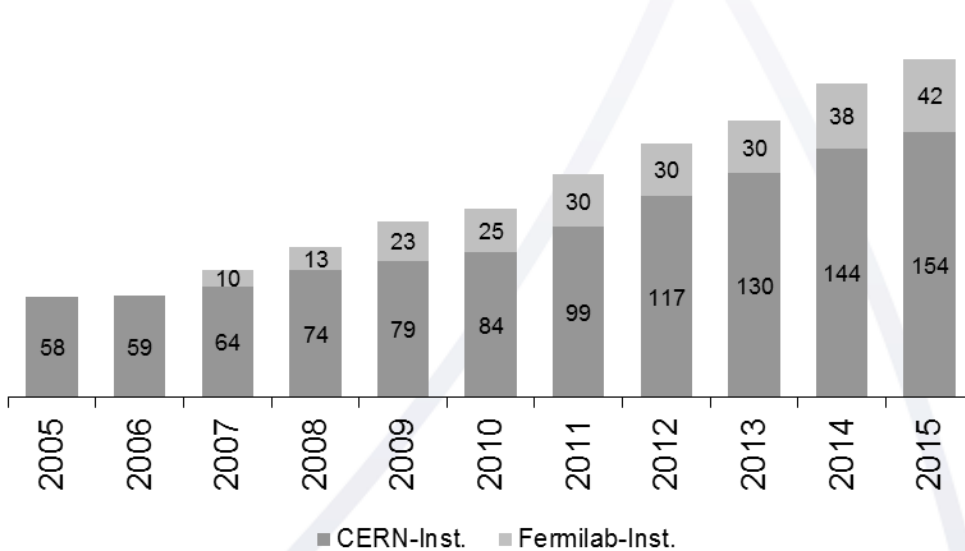
- 51 institutes (48)
- 54 LHC Masterclasses (50)
 - 22 ATLAS (19)
 - 32 CMS (31)(Incl. TRIUMF program)
- 12 MINERvA Masterclasses

- 188 institutes (177)
- 266 LHC Masterclasses (257)
 - 30 ATLAS W (35)
 - 101 ATLAS Z (104)
 - 64 CMS (58)
 - 41 LHCb (39)
 - 27 ALICE SP (18)
 - 3 ALICE R_AA (3)

Data analysis + video conference



Participation Statistics



- 193 Institutes (154 + 42)
- 255 Masterclasses (213 + 45)
- 10.500 High-school students (estimated) incl. 1040 in Fermilab-

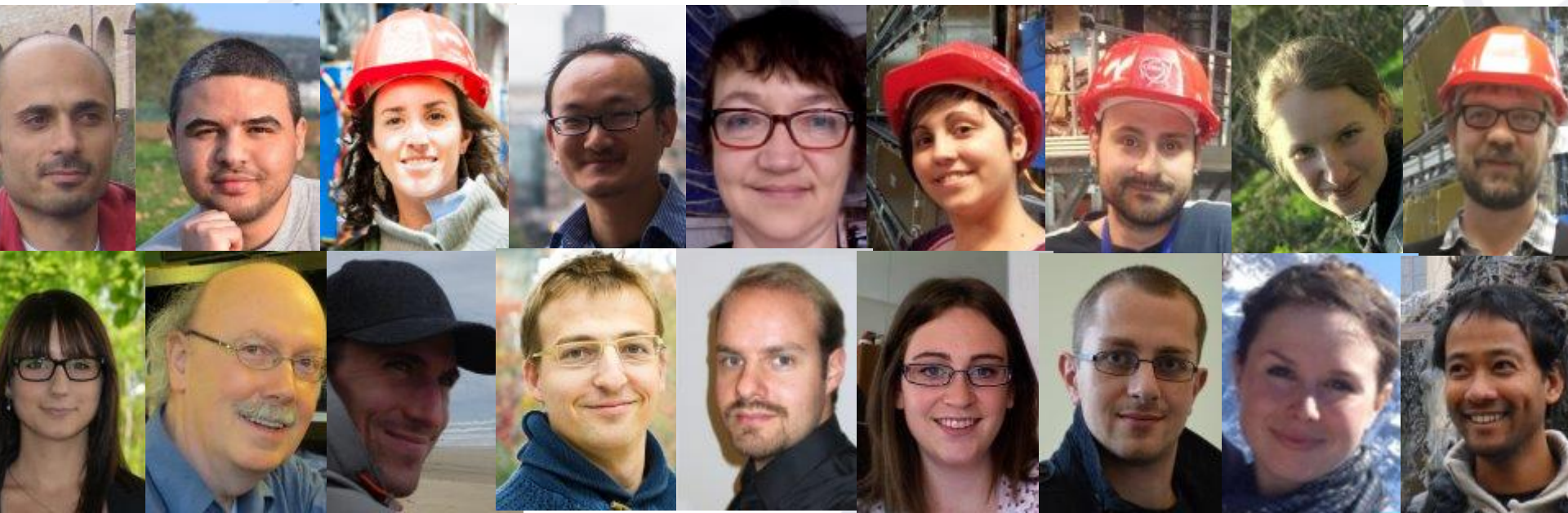


Moderators from ATLAS

- 18 ATLAS members
- 3-4 „shifts“ per moderator
- Training beforehand
- newcomers are paired with „veterans“

Muhammad Alhroob
Mahmoud Alstaty
Barbara Alvarez Gonzalez
Duc Bao Ta
Claire Adam Bourdarios
Noemi Calace
Mirko Casolino

Ina Chalupkova
Ricardo Goncalo
Stefanie Hanisch
Michael Hauschild
Roland Jansky
Konrad Jende
Fabian Kuger
Katharine Leney
Marcus Morgenstern
Kate Shaw
Suyog Shrestha



Legacy of our term of co-chairs



Dave Barney, Michael Kobel

- Overview
- Key objectives
- Motivation
- Next Steps



International Particle
Physics Outreach Group

<http://ippog.web.cern.ch>

Dear <>,

On behalf of the International Particle Physics Outreach Group – IPPOG – we would like to invite xxx to join our expanding global network.

Since its start-up at CERN in 2008, the world's largest science experiment, the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) has intrigued millions of people worldwide and captured the imagination of the media and public alike in a way that only the Moon landings has done before. Communities across the globe are showing an increased fascination with current research aimed at answering fundamental questions about our universe. Most importantly, young people are being inspired to study not only physics at school, but science in general.

Handover of the IPPOG co-Chairs



Summary

What fun with all of you !

What great memories!

Thanks to everybody supporting us growing up!