



# CERN Innovation Programme on Environmental Applications

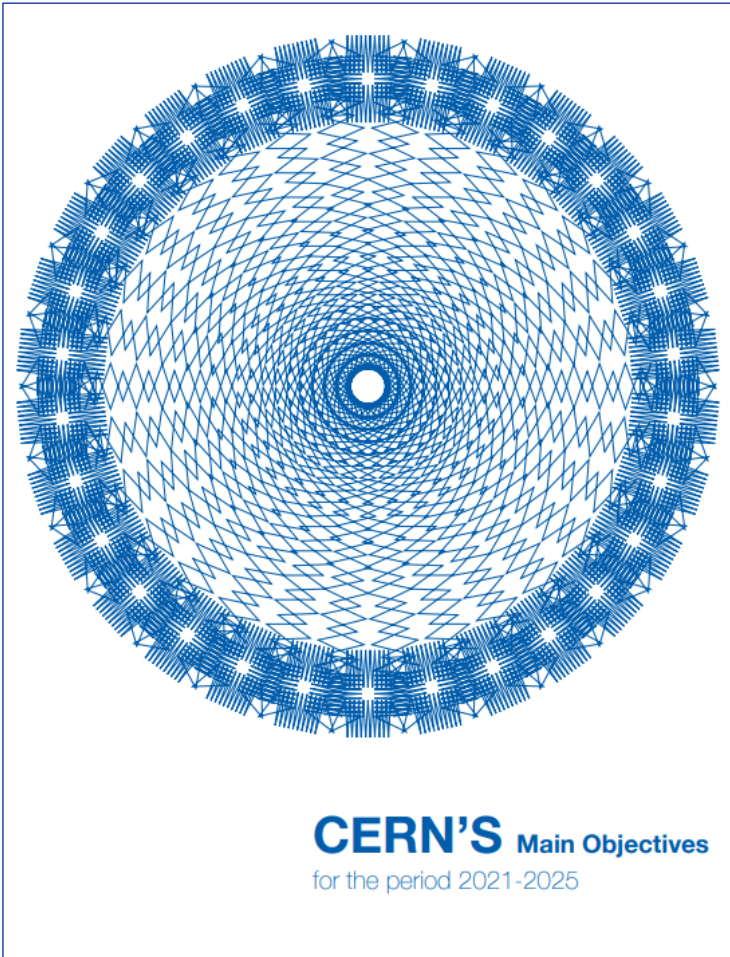
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# Environment: a clear priority for CERN and all its MS



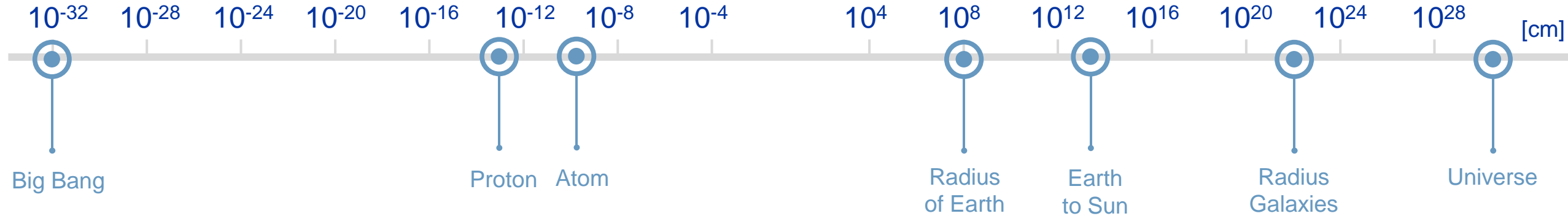
- Raising awareness on climate change causes and consequences
- Sharp increase in energy cost due to current geopolitical situation
- Growing importance of clean-tech innovation for competitiveness

Minimise the Laboratory's impact on the environment by implementing CEPS recommendations and defining a Green Procurement strategy

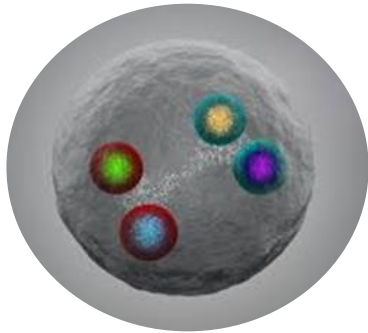
Identify, develop and transfer CERN's technologies that may contribute to tackling environmental issues on a global scale => CIPEA and KT

Pursue actions and technologies aiming at energy saving and reuse, under the supervision of CERN's Energy Management Panel

# The Question



CERN can help  
to explore the  
secrets of matter



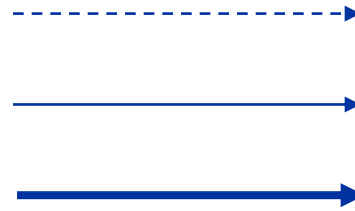
CERN can help  
to understand  
the mysteries of  
the universe

Can CERN help to tackle climate and  
environmental issues on a global scale?

# The Answer

## ***Combination of different factors:***

- *Enhanced Sobriety*
- *Technology Improvement*
- *Innovative Disruption*



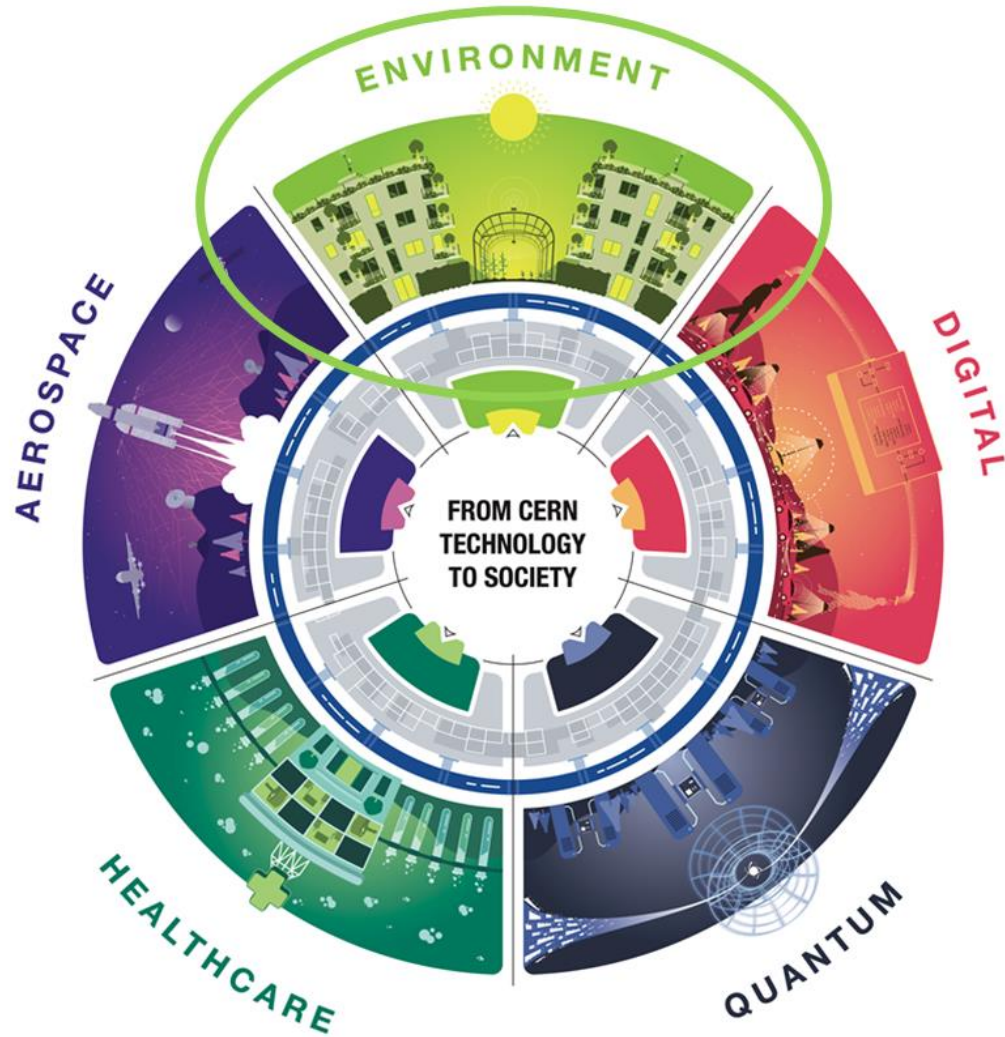
## **Harnessing CERN's unique skillset to help preserve the planet**

- Initiative endorsed by the Director General and the Enlarged Directorate in January 2022
- Supported by HSE unit in the frame of CERN's Year of Environmental Awareness
- Coordinated by the Knowledge Transfer group to maximise positive impact on society

**Entirely based on the ingenuity and expertise of CERN technical departments and community**



# Environmental Applications: Ideation and Implementation



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## Promising start for future environmental applications of CERN technologies

On 27 June, the CIPEA Innovation Day welcomed 15 innovative project proposals reflecting the CERN community's commitment to tackling environmental challenges

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The CIPEA Innovation Day brought together experts from all CERN technical departments. (Image: CERN)

# CERN Environmental Applications Strategy

## RENEWABLE AND LOW-CARBON ENERGY

Production  
Transformation  
Distribution  
Storage



## CLEAN TRANSPORTATION AND FUTURE MOBILITY

Aviation  
Shipping  
Rail  
Automotive



## SUSTAINABILITY AND GREEN SCIENCE

Power Management  
Heat Management  
Industrial Processes



## CLIMATE CHANGE AND POLLUTION CONTROL

Monitoring  
Modelling  
Mitigation

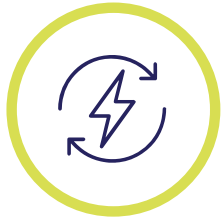


### CERN KNOWHOW

Superconductivity  
High Field Magnets  
High Vacuum  
Cryogenics  
Materials  
Artificial Intelligence  
Advanced Sensors  
Rad-Tol Systems  
Thermal Control  
Radioprotection  
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# Examples of projects under implementation



## RENEWABLE AND LOW-CARBON ENERGY

Support to innovative compact magnetic confinement fusion reactor developments



## CLEAN TRANSPORTATION AND FUTURE MOBILITY

Demonstrate advanced SC power distribution systems for future electric/hybrid planes



## CLIMATE CHANGE AND POLLUTION CONTROL

Develop Artificial Intelligence and Quantum Computing algorithms for Earth Observation



## SUSTAINABILITY AND GREEN SCIENCE

Optimise infrastructure operation using motor sensors and digital twins



# CIPEA – 2022 Call for Ideas



- >30 Ideas discussed
- 15 Proposals submitted
- 8 Projects under implementation



# CIPEA – 2022 selected projects

SF6-free S-band circulator for photo injectors

Web Energy: Energy, water and gas monitoring and forecasting platform

EMP2: Environmental Modelling and Prediction Platform

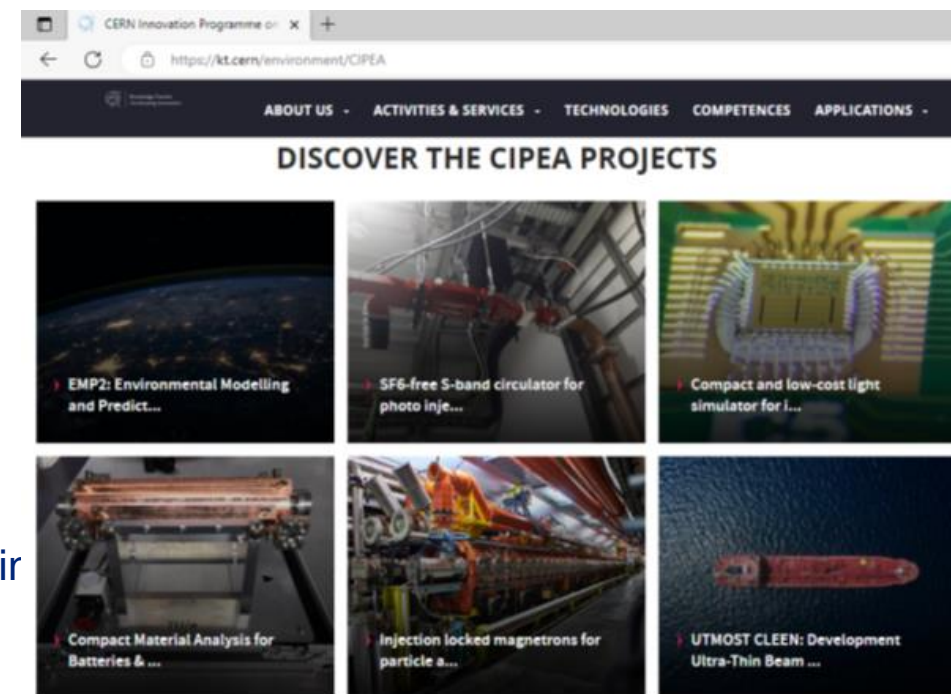
Compact and low-cost light simulator for indoor photovoltaic cells development

UTMOST CLEEN: Development of membranes for ships EBFGT

Compact Material Analysis for Batteries & Fast Fuel Cell Development

Injection locked magnetrons for particle accelerators and industrial dielectric heater

IVAC-RED: Insulation Vacuum of SC Cables for Renewable Energy Distribution



<https://kt.cern/environment/CIPEA>

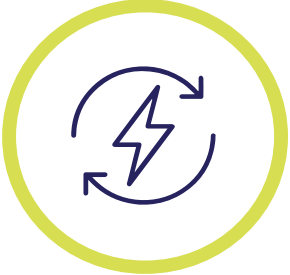



# CERN Poles of Competence in Environmental Applications



Many Poles of Competence preliminarily identified -  
Ranking based on quantitative and qualitative criteria:

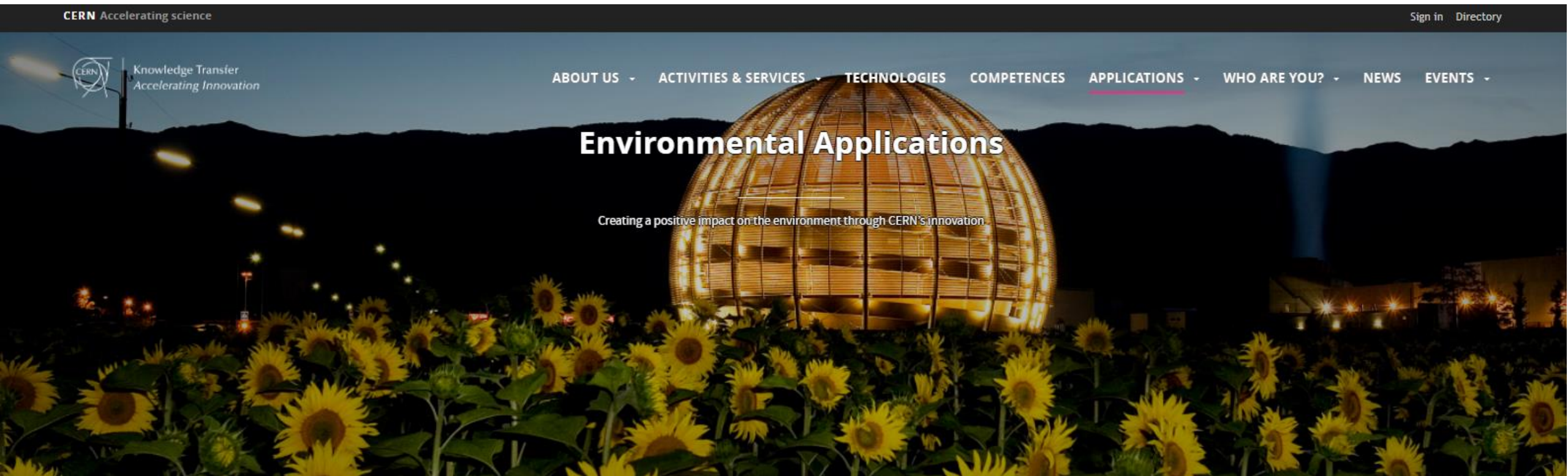
- number of running activities
- projects in preparation
- expressed industry needs
- impact potential

# Highest Priority CERN Poles of Competence in Environmental Applications

	<b>Compact Magnetic Confinement Fusion Energy Systems</b>	<b>SC Lines for On-board and Grid Power Distribution</b>	
	Accelerator Driven and Advanced Nuclear Reactors	Liquid Hydrogen Storage and Handling Systems	
	<b>Engineering Systems Optimized for Low Emissions and Energy Efficiency</b>	<b>Instruments and Facilities for Remote and In-situ Environmental Monitoring</b>	
	Fast, Low-power Computing Techniques based on AI	AI Platforms for Global Phenomena Modelling and Climate Simulations	



# Thanks for your attention!



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