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The proposals (outline **and** full proposals) consist of two parts:

Part A will contain the administrative information about the proposal and the participants. The information requested includes a brief description of the work, contact details and characteristics of the participants, and information related to the funding requested (see annex 3 of the Guide for Applicants). There are 4 forms (A1-A4) which need to be filled, form A2 needs to be filled by each partner individually.

Part B has the following structure (one common text, CERN will provide pieces of texts, partly from earlier submissions):

B.1: LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Here we describe and motivate the structure of the network, the partners, possible associated partners and also the industrial ones.

B.2: S&T QUALITY

B.2.1 Research Topic and Project Objectives

- Description of the research topic and state of the art
- S&T objectives of the research programme.
- Expected key scientific achievements

B.2.2 Scientific Originality

- Originality and innovative aspects of the research programme.
- Inter/multi-disciplinary aspects
- Newly emerging supra-disciplinary fields (if relevant)

B.2.3 Research Method

- Key elements of the research methodology.

[Explain how the individual projects of the recruited researchers will be integrated into the overall research collaboration. Explain also how the synergies/complementarities among the teams are exploited to advance research in the field (for multi-site proposals).]

- Any complementary methods used.
- Inter-sectorial aspects (Industry/academia, I guess ? (CJ))

B.2.4 Work Plan (how much detail is needed in the outline proposal ? (CJ))

- Overview of the work plan, showing
 - task distributions (indicate how they are linked to the objectives of the research programme),
 - milestones,
 - foreseen deliverables,

- schedule.

[The above should allow EU officials to efficiently monitor progress.]

B.3: TRAINING

B.3.1 Content and Quality of the Training Programme

- [Introductory paragraph on the need for high-quality training in the field. Emphasize the importance and timeliness of the training needs (e.g. multidisciplinary, intersectorial and newly emerging supra-disciplinary fields)]
- Overview of the training programme (training elements, complementary skills, etc.)
[Emphasize the high-quality aspects, and mention that many acquired skills are relevant to industry.]
- Summer schools, conferences, workshops
[Describe every school project, providing historical background for existing schools, justify the need for the participation of people outside the network, etc]
- Structure of the training programme (local vs network training activities)
 - [For multi-site proposals: argue for an adequate combination of local specialist training with network-wide training facilities. For mono-site proposals: argue for adequate exploitation of the international network of the participants for the training purposes. Also, explain the consistency with the research programme, and appropriateness for the needs of the chosen researchers.]
- Impact of the training and benefits to the researchers
[Explain how the training enables to go beyond the narrow, national context (mobility, etc.)]

B.3.2 Size of the Training Programme and Balance between Categories of Researchers

- Size of the training programme
[State the amount of ESR and ER man-months. Justify the balance in the funding request between early stage trainees (e.g. Ph.D. students) and experienced researchers (early postdocs)]
- Involvement of visiting scientists (senior researchers from academia or industry)
- Capacity of the host institution(s) to accommodate fellows
[If appropriate, make reference to previous host fellowships]