SEARCH Conference

Second meeting, Nov 4th, 2024

From last meeting's discussion

- Strong preference to have plenary only with lots of time for discussion and strong moderators
- Lots of interest in some panels discussions
- How to allow students and post-docs to travel? Poster session or abstract submission (with summary talk, etc) were suggested ideas

Some thoughts on session times

- Personally would not be against 45 minute coffee sessions but this further limits sessions time
- Could consider dropping the friday afternoon session and make something more discussion-focused, since many people will travel
- Evening are unscheduled but could encourage a 'nightcap' at R1
- Can plan a reception. Is a conference dinner wanted (increases fees)?

Session	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning 1 (9.00-10.30)					
Coffee (10:30-11:00)					
Morning 2 (11.00-12.30)					
Lunch					
Afternoon 1 (14.00-15.30)					
Coffee (15:30-16:00)					
Afternoon 2 (16.00-17.30)					
Evening					

Some thoughts on session times

- 2 panels with 4 members
- 18 main sessions
  - Option 1 (our preference): assuming 1.5 hours
    - 2 talk of 25+5 minutes, plus 30 minutes for global discussion
  - Option 2: Assuming 1h15m
    - 1 talk of 40 minutes+35 minutes of discussion
- Total speakers
  - Option 1: 44 speakers
  - Option 2: 26 speakers

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Logistics Update and Next Steps

- M&M have a meeting next week with CERN graphic designers for the poster
  - Once we have this, we want to announce the conference officially
- Meeting goal of today
  - Discuss the schedule format
  - Discuss topics
- With established format and topics, the PC will take over to discuss speakers, session chairs, etc.
- Timeline - inviting speakers around Feb 2025

Discussion on Topics

Link to google sheet

Committee Roles

Since this is a first edition, we need

- To establish the conference format (PC and IAC)
- Organize the sessions and speakers (PC plus session chairs)
- To set-up the conference by-laws for future editions (IAC)
- To approach a few institutes to host the 2026 edition since time is short. Or continue to host at CERN (M&M). Once we have the by-laws, the IAC will call for the 2027 edition.