

# AIDA Advisory Committee

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Present in Frascati:

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- Our mandate – now defined
  - Monitoring scientific and technical activities and advising the AIDA management on deliverables & milestones.
  - Recommendations to AIDA management about scientific or technical choices
    - or actions to be taken with partners and Work Packages.
  - On request of AIDA management, participating in AIDA internal review
  - Providing a short document after each SAC meeting
    - reporting at the AIDA plenary meeting
  - Participate in strategy discussion about the continuation of AIDA within the European framework Horizon 2020.

# Overall status

- Management
  - Large, complex project - which is a challenge
    - funding and resources rely significantly on other support
  - Second annual report delivered
  - Financial reports are being submitted in timely manner
    - not a small achievement!
  - Milestones and deliverables
    - generally on schedule
      - it would be surprising if some were not delayed
    - PM team has identified a few places to concentrate
      - ensure to react constructively
  - Present meeting informative and interesting
    - a lot of excellent progress has been reported

## Provisional feedback from AC

- Many deliverables come in final year
  - be careful to anticipate them
- Recording progress - (*deliverables and milestones*)
  - modest level of documentation is really important
    - not just evidence, but ensuring project outcomes are valuable to wider community
    - suggest **short** reports with standard template
- Clearly some aspirations are affected by CERN test beam availability
  - reformulate some final objectives, taking this into account
  - record the impact of decisions outside project control
  - draw attention to the importance for AIDA

- Projects like this need long term commitments
  - but in an environment where resources are available for limited term
  - try to maximise opportunities for follow-on project
    - therefore important to develop strategy for this
    - recognise the need to meet EU objectives, which are not just scientific or technical
      - networking, enhancements to existing infrastructure and capabilities, impact on European industry,...
      - visible record of achievements is vital
      - short summary reports - and links to publications - essential
      - with acknowledgements to AIDA