

Session 1 Highlights: SERI statements

1. **SERI will continue to support CERN** in financial, organisational, political and diplomatic matters, help facilitating international contacts (e.g. with the United Nations) and is willing to consider further special contributions.
2. **SERI acknowledges the increased need for funding for the LHC high-luminosity upgrade-period 2014-2024 and will examine this request seriously for the BFI Bill 2017-2020.** SERI is not the only funding source and a joint effort is needed.
3. If corresponding requests arrive, **SERI is willing to include “Distributed and High Power Computing Activities” in the update process of our national roadmap** for research infrastructures.
4. We note that SERI together with SNSF should **consider increased funding in the FLARE program to permit sustainable Swiss participation in international astroparticle physics projects.**
5. **SERI has a vital interest that outreach and education should receive adequate funding** and be recognized as a central component of the scientific activity. The seed funding of the “Verflixtes Higgs” by SERI is a first excellent example.
6. SERI presently investigates solutions to **strengthen and coordinate technology transfer.** This activity will very likely be outsourced from SERI as of 2014 and pursued professionally including other international EIROforum organisations.