Collaboration Board: summary

New collaborating institute:

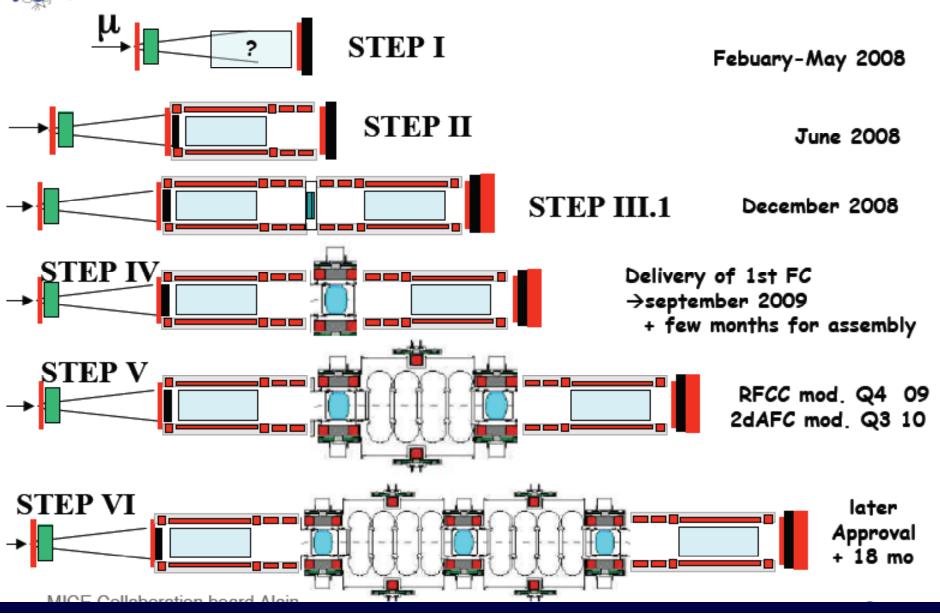
- Muons Incorporated's proposal to join MICE was unanimously welcomed
- Muons Inc. seeks to provide:
 - Collimation and correction system for the MICE Muon Beam
- And:
 - Will continue to develop and support G4BeamLine;
 - Work towards bringing MANX to the MMB once MICE Phase II is complete

From Spokesman's and PM's remarks:

- Funding:
 - US:
 - Significant increase in support from DOE and NSF last (this) fy has advanced procurement of items for Phase II (cavities, coupling coils)
 - Strongly positive review from MuTAC
 - Some concern that present budget problems may have an impact
 - Japan:
 - Bid for funding for MICE to be submitted
 - Some optimism about likely outcome expressed
 - China:
 - Will fabricate CC in collaboration with NFMCC
 - Funding from HIST granted for construction:
 - No travel support
 - Switzerland:
 - GVA:
 - Support for DAQ, trigger, ToF PMTs and personnel.
 Through Sofia also support for Pld electronics and personnel
 - Now seeking support for contribution to SW
 - CERN:
 - RF amplifier refurbishment: nearing completion
 - Italy:
 - INFN NTA approval for MICE now granted; resources for ToF0,1,KL released
 - Great tenacity and resourcefulness to have continued for so long without these resources
 - 5 institutes:
 - Noted that Pavia should apply formally to join MICE
 - UK:
 - STFC budget problems likely to imply non-optimal funding profile for Phase II
 - Consequence is delay in steps IV and V

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This is how the aspirational MICE Schedule looks as of today

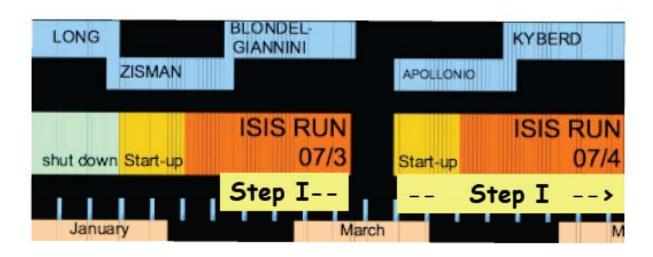


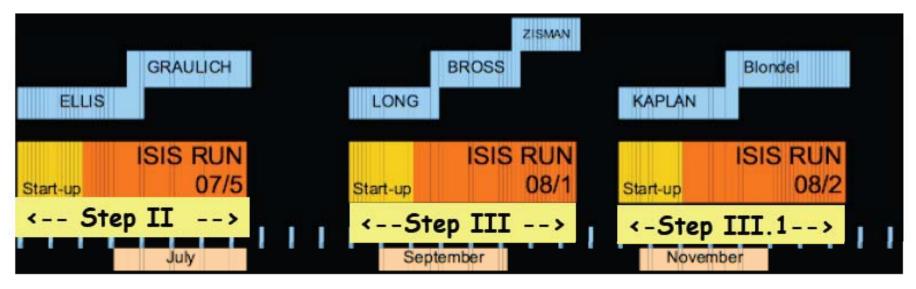
MOM's and shifts

- MOM shifts in place and MOMs contributing to bringing experiment on air:
 - Some frustration that the progress has not been quicker
 - Need to (re)consider infrastructure schedule to preserve as much data taking as possible
- MICE shifts:
 - Will be needed (of course) but still some uncertainty over when the shifts will be needed



MICE run and MOMs in 2008





Access to MICE:

EU:

Transnational Access application as part of EUCARD

STFC:

- McCubbin/Womersley agreed £20k/yr to help collaborators from 'less-favoured nations' come to RAL for MICE
 - N.McCubbin holds the budget

Common Fund:

- Questionnaires have been sent to institute representatives:
 - Responses from most have been received
- CB has agreed document outlining uses Common Fund can be put to:
 - Need formally to agree scope of Common Fund with STFC
- R.Apsimon working within STFC to complete agreements with relevant 'officers'

Meeting with representative of STFC directorate:

- David Findlay attended the meeting and noted the:
 - Good progress on establishing CDM system of work in the MICE Hall
 - Increasingly close cooperation between MICE and ISIS:
 - [Ed: Still some work to do ...]
 - Continued ISIS support for MICE at the engineering, technical, and organisation levels
 - STFC financial problems mean 2008 ISIS running dates may be subject to change

CB expressed:

- Recognition of the increased contact between MICE and ISIS (for example ISIS/MICE safety meetings) was both positive and valuable
- Disappointment that the Phase II schedule was delayed significantly by the delay in the permission to let the focus-coil contract and the present notional funding profile

Next collaboration meeting

4-7 June 2008 Daresbury Laboratory

5-9 Nov 2008 Berkeley

2nd week Jan 2009 Harbin

Spring and fall 2009 Rutherford Laboratory