

Network-based training through LA³NET

Advanced School on Laser Applications at Accelerators
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Outline

Aspiration for training

FP7 Marie Curie Initial Training Network (ITN)

LA³NET

Summary comment









Principles for Innovative Doctoral Training

- 1. Researcher excellence
- 2. Attractive institutional environment
- 3. Interdisciplinary research options
- 4. Exposure to industry & other relevant employment sectors
- 5. International networking
- 6. Transferable skills training
- 7. Quality assurance

Extract from "Report of Mapping Exercise on Doctoral Training in Europe "Towards a common approach" of 27 June 2011(final), adopted by the ERA Steering Group on Human Resources and Mobility. http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/pdf/research_policies/Report_of_Mapping_Exercise_on_Doctoral_Training_FINAL.pdf









FP7 Marie Curie Initial Training Network (ITN)

- FP7 funding European collaborative research
- Marie Curie Actions for researcher training & mobility
- ITN: project-based training within a network
- LA³NET: laser applications for particle accelerators



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1. Researcher excellence

- Training programme funded for 17 ESRs
 - 36 month projects: PhD
 - Secondments across network
 - Training events
 - Currently 19 ESRs including 12 month contracts

2. Attractive institutional environment

- Universities, HEIs
 -Liverpool, Dundee, Karshure Institute of Technology
- National & International Research Centres
 -CERN, CLPU, HZDR, IFIN-HH, GANIL, STFC
- Industry-Danfysik, Foton



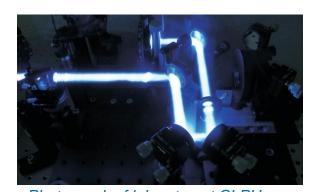






3. Interdisciplinary research options

- Accelerator and laser communities
 - Scientists & engineers across modelling, material science, thermo-dynamics, optics, electro-magnetism, mechanics, electronics, nuclear physics...
- Laser applications for:
 - WP2 Particle sources
 - WP3 Particle beam acceleration
 - WP4 Beam diagnostics
- WP5 System integration
- WP6 Laser & photon detector technology



Photograph of lab setup at CLPU, Spain. Image courtesy of E. Jarque.









4. Exposure to industry & other relevant

employment sectors

















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5. International networking

- Secondments across network
- Annual schools on laser applications and complementary skills
- Topical workshops
 - Particle sources at CERN, Switzerland
 - Laser technology & optics design at ILT, Germany
 - Acceleration techniques at HZDR, Germany
 - Scientists Go Industry: Laser & Accelerator Physics
 - Knowledge transfer & spin-offs with Research Instruments
 - Beam diagnostics with STFC
- International conference











LA³NET International Conference 2015

- Open to external delegates
- Invited speakers & contributed talks
- Results from LA³NET
- Beam diagnostics workshop
 - 23-24 March 2015













6. Transferable skills training



- Complementary skills schools
 - Communication
 - Project management
 - Intellectual property

- Career pathway



- Conferences
- Webcast
- Local schools













Transferable skills training

- Scientists Go Industry: Laser & Accelerator Physics 17-18 November 2014, Berlin
 - Bring together corporate/industry & early stage researchers
 - Talks, discussions & career guide

Speaker	Organisation
Prof. Carsten Welsch	LA ³ NET
Dr. Stefan Seliger	Roche
Dr. Wolfgang Stockhausen	Management Consulting
Dr. Stefan Kneip	Siemens
Dr. Dan Crick	The Technology Partnership
Dr. Vincent Reillon	The Science Europe Office
Dr. Elliot Davies	Wynne Jones
Dr. Michael Budde	Danfysik
Dr. Stephen Lee	Thales
Hanspeter Vogel	Research Instruments
Dr. Bernd Steffen	DESY
Nina Löchte	Helmholtz Association
Dr. Francois Sylla	SourceLAB











7. Quality Assurance

- Recognised training by hosts institutes
- Reporting to EC & mid-term review
- Fellow questionnaires
- Event feedback forms









Becoming a professional

- PhD is not enough
- Complementary skills training
- International mobility
- Cross-sector exposure
- Employability visibility











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Panorama photograph of the RILIS setup at CERN (image courtesy V. Fedosseev).



