



Goals



- To create a <u>COLLABORATIVE</u> space where attendees will exchange:
 - best practices
 - methods and tools employed
 - return of experience

when engineering PLC based control systems.

Foster collaborations and/or identifying expertise among institutes



Main workshop subject

Engineering Lifecycle of a PLC based application



Specification Development Testing Management



Challenges



- PLC based applications life spans for more than 15 years in most of the cases. Development and maintenance of those applications is a complex task, as usually the applications do not follow any structure but the automation engineer own implementation. Is standardization a real need? Do the control frameworks give any help on this?
- **Testing** industrial applications is a time consuming task and usually an imperfect exercise. Compromises must be found to the test coverage (e.g. difficult offline tests). Formal verification is emerging as a complementary approach. What is the best method to test an application?
- Deploying applications must be tracked and the software components deployed must be easily traceable. In case of an issue in a delivered component in a project, a efficient identification of the affected PLCs should be straight forward. Are you in measure to identify this effectively?
- Handling cents of applications becomes a difficult task. Online modifications are required along the life of control systems and the management of such changes must be addressed. How engineers handle the follow up of changes with respect to initial specifications? How a standby service could know the right application to download to a PLC without the expert assistance?



Tracks



Specifications

Development

Testing

Management

- Requirement formalization
- Best practices
- Documentation
- Standards and/or Frameworks
- Language choice, code guidelines
- Novel approaches: Code generation, Ext. engineering, OO, DSLs
- Methodologies (FAT, SAT)
- Simulation, virtual commissioning
- Advanced: Static Analysis, Formal verification
- Versioning
- Deployment
- Management of change



Agenda

Workshop <u>agenda</u>.





Support

- Workshop webpage: https://indico.cern.ch/event/385144
 - Scientific program
 - Contributions
 - Agenda



