

Brief notes for the PEB on the POB meeting 17-18 February 2004

1. Decided on a process for selecting the GDB chair. Search committee consisting of 3 or 4 national GDB members and the project leader. Members and others propose names to the search committee, which makes a proposal to the GDB – one name for endorsement, more than one for vote. Two years term of office. Next chair starts in September – so search committee to be appointed at the May 2004 meeting, and new chair agreed by July meeting.
2. French contribution to the common activities of LCG. France had expected to provide CHF 1M in 2004, and the 2004 budget was agreed by the October 2003 C-RRB on the assumption that this would be confirmed. However, this has become complicated with possible alternative uses for the funding. In the POB Jos Engelen said that he will seek a solution to this and progress of the project should not be affected. In view of this we have made no changes to planning for equipment acquisition for 2004.
3. SC2 membership – national representation: France – F.Ohlsson-Malek, Germany – M.Kunze, Italy – F.Ruggieri, UK – A.Doyle, US – not yet appointed. Members from 1 or two other countries/regions to be appointed.
4. The POB wants to receive regular summary reports of the plans of experiments for integrating Applications Area products in their applications.
5. In future the SC2 report should concentrate on a brief milestone analysis. This will, however, require careful timing as the analysis in the report to the February POB was prepared just in time for the meeting, and includes some points that may be simple misunderstandings.
6. Discussion on the MoU, following the first meeting of the task force.
7. Discussion of the number of grid flavours, and strong encouragement that a working relationship be found with the US.
8. Statement by Jos Engelen that the CERN facility is CERN's responsibility.