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- Cooperation agreements

- ✓ In March, Cooperation Agreement with the Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development concerning Scientific and Technical Cooperation in High-Energy Physics,
- ✓ Yesterday a similar Cooperation Agreement with the Government of Latvia.

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- Elections and appointments

In March:

- ✓ Véronique Halloin (BE), member of the PFGB,
- ✓ Jens-Jørgen Gaardhøje (DK), Vice-President of Council

Yesterday:

- ✓ Thomas Roth (DE), member and Chair of the PFGB,
- ✓ Alessandro Raimondo (IT), Vice Chair of the PFGB,
- ✓ James Purvis (UK), Head of the HR Department
- ✓ Ossi Malmberg (FI), Chair of the Finance Committee

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- Pension Fund matters

- ✓ periodic actuarial review of the Fund, presented by the Consulting Actuary Buck Consultants,
- ✓ mandate to the Actuary for a cost analysis of potential measures relating to the CERN pension scheme,
- ✓ establish a working group on the governance of the Fund to start work from September 2016

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- Five-yearly review

- ✓ TREF concluded that no need has been established for a review of Annex A1 of the Staff Rules and Regulations,
- ✓ the 2015 five-yearly review of the financial and social conditions of CERN personnel is thus concluded,

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- Other decisions yesterday

- ✓ a new procedure governing access to the various categories of Council documents,
- ✓ procedure for the selection and appointment of the External Auditors,
- ✓ some minor technical amendments to the Staff Rules and Regulations, notably resulting from the approval of the 2015 five-yearly review,
- ✓ overall strategy for the years 2017-2021, as set out in the Medium-Term Plan, as well as the Budget for 2017

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- Greece

Resolution

- ✓ 15-year repayment plan for the existing contribution arrears
- ✓ exceptional 15% reduction in Greece's Member State contribution for 2017, 2018 and 2019, to be fully compensated on terms to be decided in 2019,
- ✓ immediate reinstatement of Greece's voting rights in the Finance Committee and the Council

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- HL-LHC project approval

In response to requests from several delegations,

- ✓ the Management produced a document setting out the scientific and technical aspects and cost and schedule of the High-Luminosity upgrade of the LHC machine,
- ✓ on that basis the Council formally approved the HL-LHC project which, as part of the overall LHC programme, implements the highest priority of the European Strategy for Particle Physics.

