



PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON DECISIONS TAKEN SINCE THE LAST OPEN SESSION IN JUNE 2016

- Cooperation agreements

- ✓ In September, Agreement between CERN, France and Switzerland relating to mutual assistance between their services for emergency rescue operations, in particular on the CERN site.
- ✓ Yesterday an International Cooperation Agreement with the Government of Sri Lanka.

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- Funding for the LIU and HL-LHC projects
- ✓ In September, a credit facility agreement with the European Investment Bank in order to meet the Organization's cash-flow needs during the peak construction period of the LIU and HL-LHC projects

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- Pension Fund matters
 - ✓ establishment of a working group on the governance of the Pension Fund, which started its work in November,
 - ✓ technical amendments to the Rules of the Pension Fund, required for the implementation of CERN's new career structure,
 - ✓ technical amendments to the Agreement between CERN and ESO concerning the admission of ESO staff to the CERN Pension Fund

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- Other decisions

- ✓ technical amendments to certain benefits, contributions and affiliation conditions under the CERN Health Insurance Scheme,
- ✓ an overall cost-variation index of -2.39% and 0% indexation of Member States' contributions for 2017,
- ✓ the addition of the CERN Entrepreneurship Student Programme to the list of projects funded by the CERN & Society Foundation.

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- Elections and appointments

Yesterday:

- ✓ Sijbrand de Jong (NL), re-elected President of the Council
- ✓ Eliezer Rabinovici (IS), re-elected Vice-President
- ✓ Keith Ellis (UK), appointed Chair of the SPC
- ✓ Caterina Biscari (IT), Beate Heinemann (DE), and Hugh Montgomery (USA), appointed as new members of the SPC
- ✓ Belen Gavela (ES), Mark Huyse (BE) and Valery Rubakov (RU), reappointed as members of the SPC
- ✓ Umberto Dosselli (IT), Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee
- ✓ Barbara Vizkelety (HU), reappointed as Vice-Chair of TREF
- ✓ Thierry Rajaobelina, appointed as expert member of SACA

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- Geographical enlargement

In September:

- ✓ resolution passed admitting India as an Associate Member State

Yesterday:

- ✓ resolution passed admitting The Republic of Slovenia as an Associate Member State in the Pre-Stage to Membership

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- Time frame for the next update of the European Strategy for Particle Physics

Yesterday, the Council agreed

- ✓ to appoint the Strategy Secretary well before the next update process begins and
- ✓ that the next update should be adopted in May 2020.

