

Exercise 1: Search for H -> gamma gamma

Part 3:

- Background-only hypothesis test

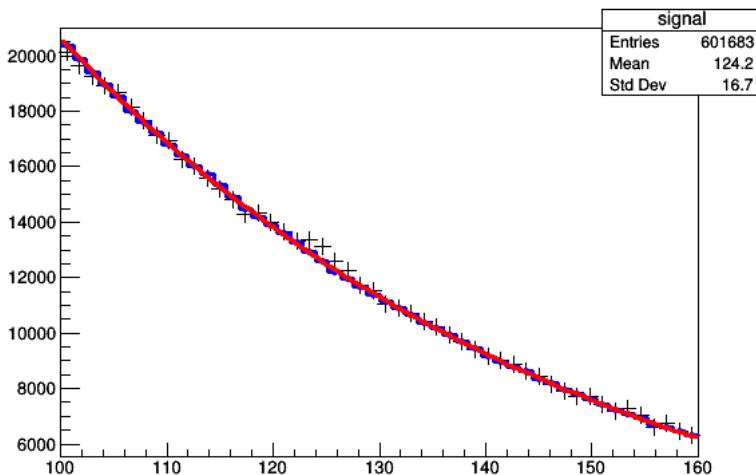
- Perform a fit to the background in order to get a stable background model.
- Compare the data with the background model by plotting the **difference** in a sub-plot below the main plot.

To neglect fluctuations, we want to fit the background now to get a good background model, it looks very exponential:

In [11]:

```
TF1 *fit = new TF1("f1", "[0] + exp([2]*x+[1])", -1, 12);
hBkg -> Fit(fit);
fit -> SetLineColor(kRed);
c->Draw();
```

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2 p1 1.19443e+01 1.22978e-02 -3.58586e-05 -7.02661e-02
3 p2 -2.01293e-02 1.57061e-04 4.16136e-07 1.26766e+01



Great, if we now look at the difference between data und background we should be able to see a possible signal, let's create a new histogram in which we store the difference:

In [12]:

```
TH1D *hDiff = (TH1D*)hData -> Clone(0);
int nBins = hData->GetNbinsX();
```

We need to loop over the bins and calculate the difference between data and fit for each bin. This is how you can get the information:

```
'hData->GetXaxis()->GetBinCenter(iBin); hData->GetBinContent(iBin); fit -> Eval(binCenter);'
```

In [13]:

```
for(int iBin = 1; iBin <= nBins; ++iBin){
    double binCenter = hData->GetXaxis()->GetBinCenter(iBin);
    double dataValue = hData->GetBinContent(iBin);
    double functionVal = fit -> Eval(binCenter);
    double difference = dataValue - functionVal;
    hDiff -> SetBinContent(iBin, difference);
}
```

Let's plot this in the second pad below the first one:

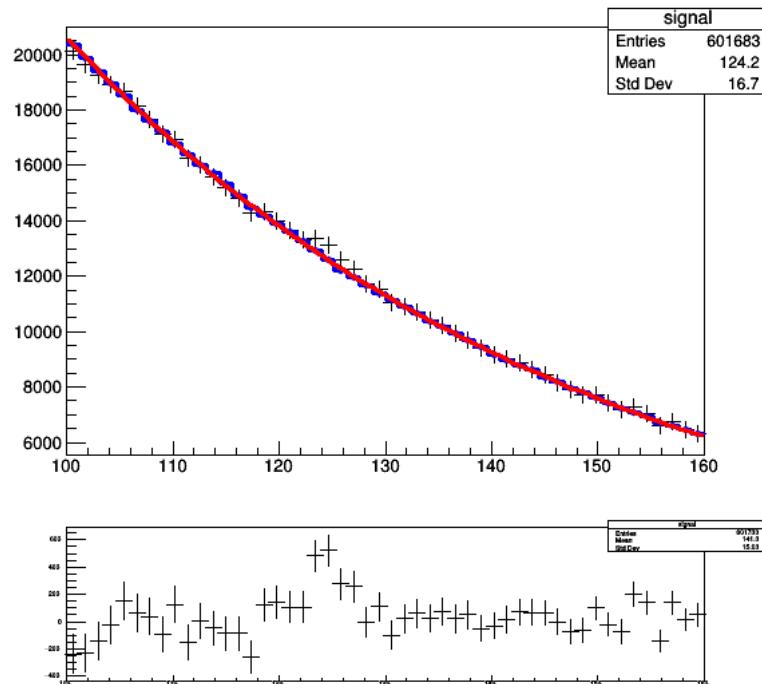
In [14]:

```
pad2 -> cd();
```

Make the histogram a bit nicer and draw:

In [15]:

```
hDiff -> Draw();
c -> Draw();
```



In order to better visualize an excess or deficiency, we can draw a line at zero.