

# High School Students Internship Programme

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## **HSSIP** at a glance

"There is nothing more enriching and gratifying than learning."

- Five countries
- Up to 24 high-school students (16 years+)
- Two accompanying teachers
- One national coordinator in the country and one at CERN
- 12 supervisors
- Two weeks internship at CERN

# The students have the chance to gain practical experience in science, technology, and innovation.



### **HSSIP 2017**

In 2017 – pilot with 5 countries successfully passed



- Hungary: 21 May 03 June
- Portugal: 03 16 September
- Bulgaria: 03 16 September



Norway: 15 – 28 October















- hands-on opportunity in an international research laboratory
- instilling scientific curiosity
- motivating high-school students to take on a career in science, engineering, or another subject related to fundamental research





## **Requirements - Students**

- Up to 24 high-school students from all over your country
- Age: 16 years+ (student must be enrolled in high school)
- Selection process overseen by CERN but executed within the country – must be fair and transparent





#### **Requirements - Teachers**

- Two accompanying teachers:
  - experience with school trips
  - alumni from teacher programmes
  - one female & one male
  - one emergency stand-by replacement (could be a user?)
- Travel with the students and stay with them at the hostel
- Run the social programme





#### **Requirements – National Coordinator in Country**

- Liaison to country representatives (incl. addressing relevant national regulations, advertisement of the programme, selection of date for the internship ...)
- Owns and supervises selection process (students & teachers)
  in the country
- Organises (group-) travel for the students & teachers
- Coordinates administrative actions with participants





#### **Requirements – National Coordinator at CERN**

- Recruitment of 12 supervisors (recommended: 1 additional fall-back option) and related projects
- Assisting with the frame programme link to the HSSIP team
- Finding guides speaking the national language for the scheduled visits
- First point of contact for the students & teachers during the two weeks internship at CERN



#### Services – HSSIP Team

- Overall coordination of the programme
- Organisational tasks (website, hostel, registration, access, visits, social programme...)
- Emergency contact during the programme





#### **Proposed programme**

Sunday (week 0) - arrival and welcome Monday (week 1)

- introduction to CERN, safety courses, formalities
- start at the workplace
- **Tuesday-Friday** (week 1)
- daytime: work at the designated workplace
- evening: social programme or free time

Weekend (week 1)

- social programme or free time Monday-Thursday (week 2)
- daytime: work at the designated workplace
- evening: social programme or free time

Friday (week 2)

- presentations of their work and achievements

#### Saturday (week 2)

- departure



## **Budget**

- Up to 500 CHF / person for travel
- Hostel rooms (double rooms for students, single rooms for teachers)
- 36 CHF daily meal allowance / person (in vouchers)
- Programme Dinner (traditionally cheese fondue)
- 2 weeks pass for public transport in Geneva
- Gift bag for each student & teacher



#### Feedback from national coordinators

- Alumni HST or NTP teachers are great accompanying persons
- High-school teacher programme in parallel limits the availability of supervisors and guides
- Same during vacation time in Switzerland & France
- "stand-by" replacement for teachers and / or supervisors needed
- Student & project mapping important
- More information on CERN context
- Broad range of projects interesting for the students



### Feedback from participants

- Changed my view of "what scientists do"
- Impressed by the international, collaborative work
- Relation between science / particle physics and other disciplines more clear now
- Importance of computing knowledge
- → new high-school student ambassadors for CERN!





#### Next steps

- Nomination of national coordinators (in country and at CERN)
- Proposal of internship dates
- Setting up of individual meetings with HSSIP team







# **Backup slides**





## **Application process**

#### Hungary

- teachers suggested their best students
- 50 applications received

#### Portugal

• Open call from Ciencia Viva (national agency for the promotion of initiatives for the public awareness of Science and Technology in Portugal) – Motivation letter & web-form

#### Bulgaria

- Open call Recommendation letter & web-form
- 326 applications received

#### Norway

- Open Call motivation letter
- 150 applications received

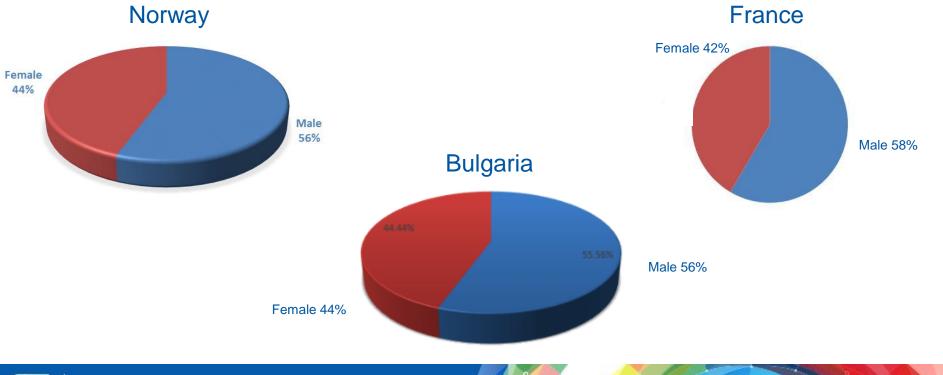
#### France

- Open Call motivation letter, recommendation letter, video, web-form
- 140 applications received



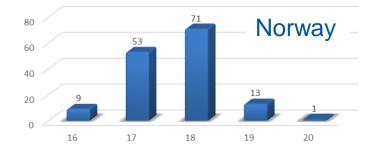


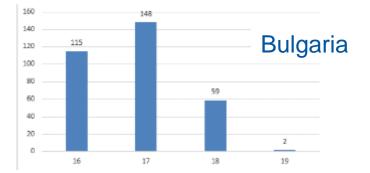
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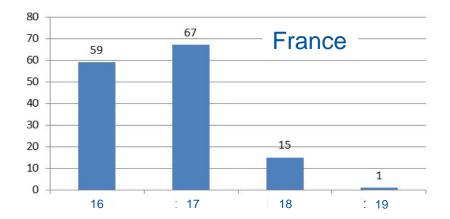




## Statistics – age distribution









#### some highlights - France







### **Past HSSIP Programmes**



Hungary 21.05.-03.06.





Bulgaria 03.-16.09.

Portugal 03.-16.09.



## Shadowing time





#### Visits & S'Cool LAB















## A special event...









# Thank you!

The HSSIP team



