### Just a candidate statement...

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# // The BIG challenges



- Inspire
- Growth [insuring sustainability and functionality]
- Dialog
- Go Out / Pro-activity
- European Strategy for Particle Physics Update
- OUR Strategy!
- Involve / Engage

# // The BIG challenges



- Publics
- Methods
- Places
- Objectives
- Timelines
- Collaboration(s)
- Budgeting / Financing / Supporting / Logistics / Reporting
- Core Teams

#### // The "other" challenges



- sustain interest and motivation in PP, eventually in the lack of great discoveries
- considering that PP is evermore a looooongtime adventure:
  - i. train the scientists of tomorrow for the very far tomorrow;
  - ii. prepare people as scientists, engineers, technicians for the short, medium, and long-term projects;
  - iii. engaging people to science and technologies at earlier stages, in "coopetition" with other branches of science and engineering;
- science outreach is as crucial to its development as new developments in mathematics or technologies;

#### // The "other" challenges



- outreach in PP needs a proper development and research programme on its own, as new creative ways are desperately needed to beat the aggressive entertaining industry, to engage the young and keep the society (our stakeholders) interested;
- outreach in PP also needs to progress on the techniques to reach further, geographically, socially, economically;
- capitalize on technology transfer top examples; and
- strengthen the collaboration with groups specialised more on institutional communication and media relations (EPPCN, InterActions), and with other international endeavours as APPEC and NuPPEC (the Observer Status could be introduced in the "MoU"/our by-laws).

#### // The questions



- What are your ideas to improve and make the agenda of the general meetings more effective? Currently there are some repetitions and probably more time should be allocated to more structured projects/events
  - Encourage the functioning of Working Groups in-between general meetings
  - Preparation of the agenda with suggestions from participants, following requests, themes, or important issues to debate at the time of the meetings
  - Presentations in discussion approach versus report style. Report-style
    presentations are very important, but could be added to the agenda; oral
    presentation in cases of ideas to be replicated, to inspire, etc.,.

#### // The questions



- What is your position towards associated members and how can they be involved and be effective in the activities of IPPOG?
  - Associated members do present a great added value to our activities. IPPOG should profit of their presence, encompassing their activities and building synergies, and encouraging those members to carry-on their work in a networked manner.
  - IPPOG should carefully access the requests for associate membership, having in mind how IPPOG can be of assistance and how to take the most profit of the synergies built (for both sides). [The agreements should be regularly reaccessed in the scope of the both parties best interests]

#### // The questions



- Would you be willing to consider the cancellation of the Saturday as a meeting day?
  - As an University Professor with allotted classes/schedules (and nothing on Saturdays), I would not vote in favour of the cancellation of the Saturday as a meeting day (but then, as [Co-]Chair, I would not vote).
    - But to me, the days of the general meetings can be decided based on Doodle, and would not be against adding to the poll some dates not including weekends.



# Thanks!

...for your attention!

Any questions?

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