
SFT News

SFT Group Meeting, 18 January 2021

GSoC 2021

- ❖ GSoC 2020 very successful, 34 successful projects from 36
 - ❖ 6 projects in SFT
- ❖ The 2021 session was announced, all details in the [HSF GSoC page](#)
- ❖ Call for projects and mentors, **projects to be uploaded until February 15th**
 - ❖ Smaller length projects (175 hours vs. 350) - projects to be tuned accordingly
 - ❖ Well-defined work plan and clear deliverables
- ❖ More formal student selection period
 - ❖ Smaller window for first contact
 - ❖ Clear period for testing/evaluation, only those passing will interact with mentors
- ❖ You are all encouraged to discuss in your groups GSoC subjects (of ~1.5 months effective coding)

Summer Students

- ❖ EP (together with TH) has been allocated a quota of 101(EP) + 3(TH) member state (there will also be a comparable number of non-member state students NMS)
 - ❖ from 7 to 10 can be assigned to SFT group (MS+NMS)
- ❖ This year's summer student **program is foreseen to be online**, rather than at CERN
 - ❖ Please bear this in mind when submitting proposals
 - ❖ Students will not receive the usual salary (since that is intended to cover costs for lodging, travel and food), but HR & FI have agreed to look into the possibility of some form of payment
- ❖ **OpenLab Students** for activities involved in any project with CERN openlab
 - ❖ Funding goes from 100% for openlab project partners to 50% to 0%
- ❖ Deadline for all proposals: **Sunday, 7 February 2021**

COVID-19: Teleworking

- ❖ Teleworking for everybody that can telework has been **extended to end of February**
- ❖ <https://hse.cern/content/teleworking-covid-19>

SFT Program of Work 2021

- ❖ Presentations of the 2021 program of work for each project has been scheduled for the next group meetings
 - ❖ January 18: HSF + EP&RD
 - ❖ January 25: SPI + Key4HEP
 - ❖ February 1: Simulation (Geant4 and R&D)
 - ❖ February 8: ROOT
 - ❖ February 15: CernVM

Events

- ❖ Directorate Presentation, Monday, 18th January @14:30
 - ❖ changes to CERN's organisational structure and main objectives for 2021
- ❖ CERN-EP / IT Data science seminar, Wednesday 20 January @ 15:00
 - ❖ The 3 scales of science: online, sequential and interactive inference by Prof. Aaditya Ramdas (Carnegie Mellon U.)

AoB

- ❖ Yasemin has receipted some parcels, which are sitting in her office
- ❖ Please enter 'Occasional Teleworking' with EDH (with "Exceptional Measures" in the comment box) - 5 have not done it yet
 - ❖ Until the end of January (for the time being)