

# Introduction

CEPC Physics and Detector Plenary Meeting  
Wednesday, June 17, 2026

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# Agenda

## CEPC Physics and Detector Plenary Meeting

📅 Wednesday Jun 17, 2026, 3:00 PM → 5:10 PM Asia/Shanghai

📍 122 (IHEP Multi-Disciplinary Building)

Description Meeting URL:

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**3:00 PM** → 3:20 PM **Feedback from FCC Week and planning**

Speaker: Joao Guimaraes da Costa

**3:25 PM** → 3:45 PM **Detector group web page**

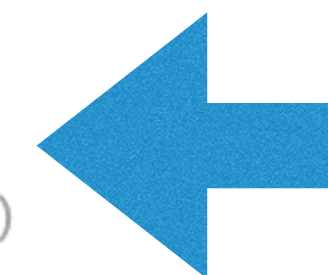
Speaker: Miao He (IHEP)

**3:50 PM** → 4:10 PM **Silicon foundry choices for ITk and Vertex**

Speaker: Jianchun Wang (IHEP)

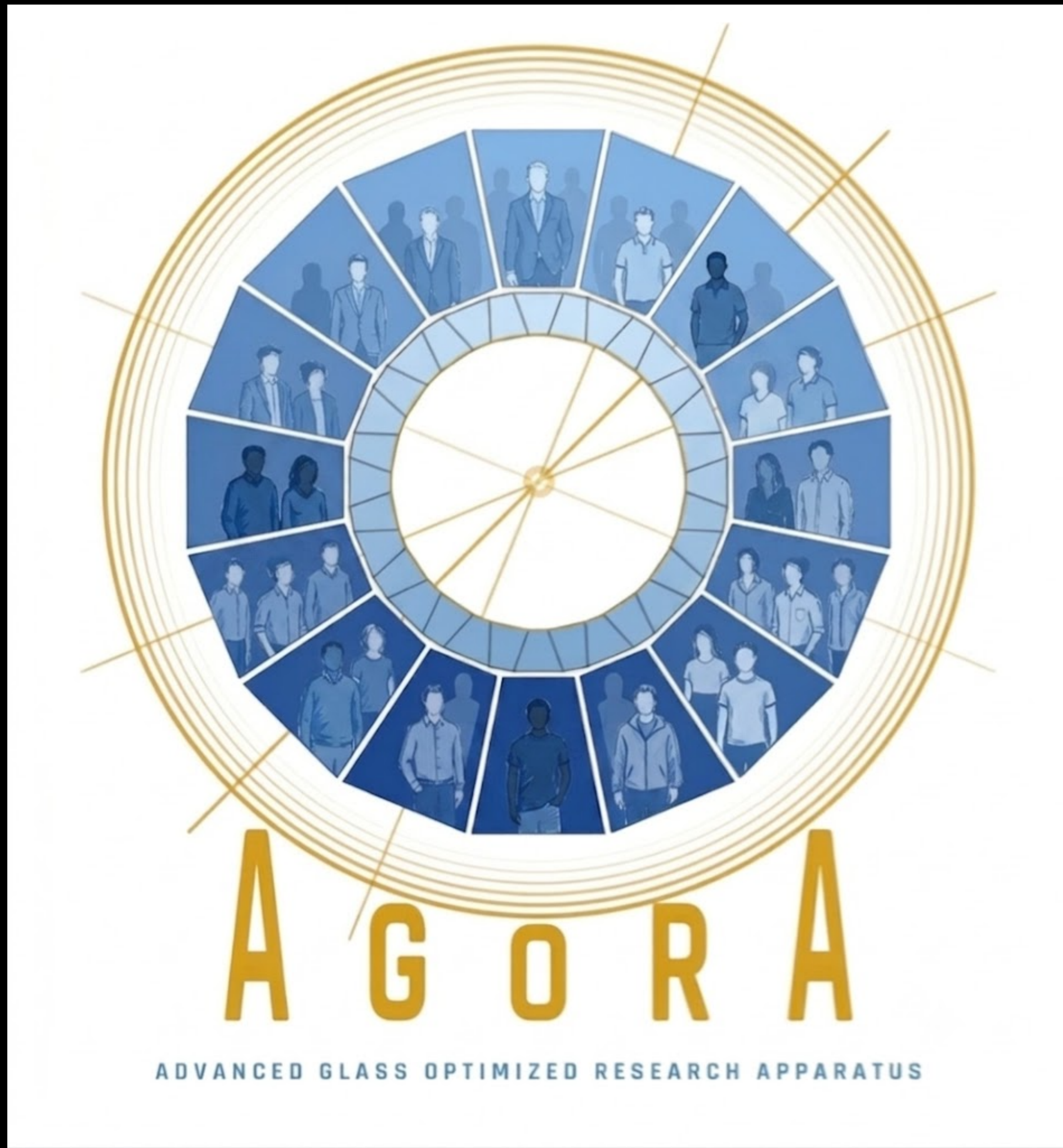
**4:15 PM** → 4:35 PM **Hadronic Calorimeter paper**

Speaker: Yuekun Heng (Institute of High Energy Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences)



**Paper on Glass calorimeter**

# AGORA: Advanced Glass Optimized Research Apparatus



# Major outcomes from FCC Week

- **FCC Week 2026, Helsinki, June 8-12**

- Web page: <https://indico.cern.ch/e/fccweek2026>

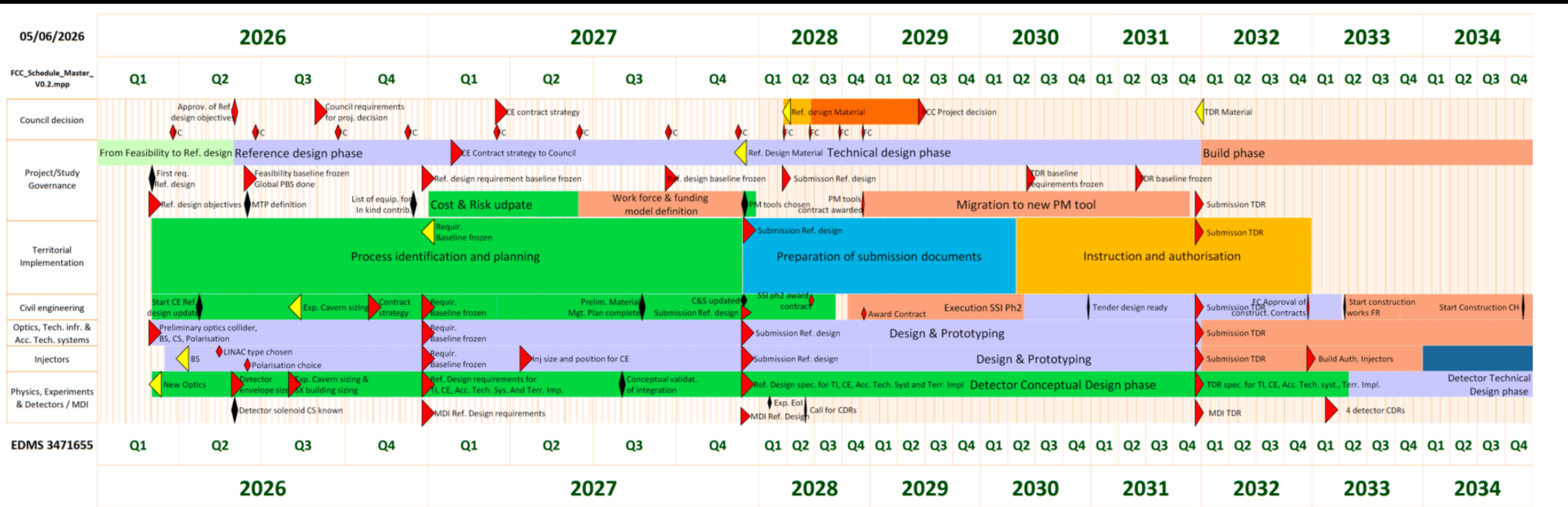
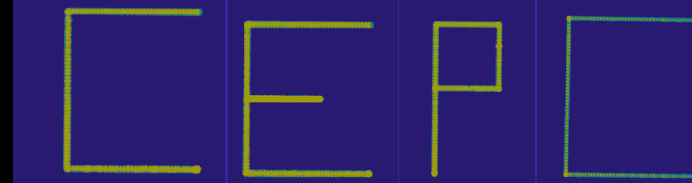
- **CERN director mandated to seek international support to build the FCC-ee**

- Earliest decision point from council in September 2028
- Final decision is second quarter of 2029 (see attached schedule)
- HL-LHC remains main priority of CERN and meeting the current schedule is essential to keep momentum...
- Governance of FCC-ee being remodeled/adapted

- **AGORA adopted as the 6<sup>th</sup> detector concept for FCC-ee**

- Need to integrate into the FCC-ee organization scheme
- Letter of Intent for the collaborations should be submitted around the approval of the project

# FCC Master Schedule



- Procure
  - Study
  - Design
  - Build
  - Instruction
  - Production
  - Installation
  - Decision point
  - Requirements
  - Milestones
  - Output
  - Input
- BL: Baseline
  - BS: Bunch Spacing
  - C&S: Cost and Schedule
  - CS: Compensation scheme
  - PM: Project Management
  - RF: Radiofrequency
  - SSI: Sub-surface Site Investigation
  - TDR: Technical design report

*“FCC scheduling: from feasibility to commissioning”  
 Session on Scheduling, Planning and Resources  
 Tuesday @ 13h30*

FCC Project decision already in second quarter of 2029

# FCC: Evolution of Detector Concepts Work Package

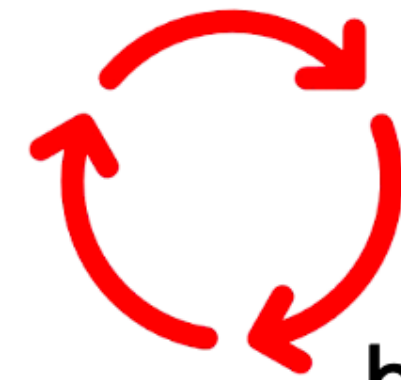
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## In DRDs:

### RnD / technologies

- Gaseous Detectors (DRD1)
- Liquid Detectors (DRD2)
- Semiconductor Detectors (DRD3)
- Photodetectors & PID (DRD4)
- Quantum Sensors (DRD5)
- Calorimetry (DRD6)
- Electronics (DRD7)
- Mechanics (DRD8)

US R&D Collaborations (RDCs) focus on generic (non-targeted), interdisciplinary and blue sky R&D – will collaborate where possible.



## In FCC Detector concepts:

### a) Generic system-level studies

(create structure as needed or organize workshops)

- Tracker (e.g. Si + straw tracker) & PID
- Calorimetry
- Muons
- TDAQ
- Luminometry
- Magnet

[Full mandate for the Detector Subsystem subgroup](#)

### b) Concept-specific studies

(using specific envelopes/support structures, or physics benchmarks)

- ALFA
- Allegro
- CLD
- IDEA
- ILD
- ...

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Non-exclusive membership, need to preserve synergies and unity of the community!

# FCC: Evolution of Detector Concepts Work Package

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- Status of Appointment of convenors for subsystem subgroups:
  - Tracker & PID: **Valentina Cairo (CERN) & George Iakovidis (BNL)**
  - TDAQ: **Thorsten Wengler (CERN) & Zeynep Demiragli (BU)**
  - Calorimetry: **Marco Lucchini (Milano-Bicocca), Lucia Masetti (Mainz), Nicolas Morange (IJCLAB), Hwidong Yoo (Yonsei University)**
  - Muons: **Riccardo Farinelli (Bologna) & Taejeong Kim (Hanyang)**
  - Luminometry: need community building; Workshop at CERN July 27th <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1690381/>
  - Magnet: need community building ([WS July 2-3](#))
- Upcoming events
  - FCC week, Helsinki, June 8-12 2026, <https://indico.cern.ch/e/fccweek2026>
    - The call for poster abstracts is open: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1552126/abstracts/> with a special track for "Detector Subsystems and Concepts". There will be a prize for the best posters and there is an option for publication in a special edition of Springer Nature EPJ journal series; this is an opportunity to publish some recent results that didn't make it to the Feasibility Study Report.
  - DRD1 meeting on June 16 on [Technologies and Applications of Gaseous Detectors at FCC](#)
  - FCC Tracking/PID workshop: Week of November 16 @ CERN
- Next DetCon Meetings:
  - Tracking: monthly meetings on Thursdays, 16:00 - next one [June 4th](#)
  - Muons: monthly meetings on Wednesdays, 15:00 - next one: [June 17th](#)
  - TDAQ: biweekly meetings on Fridays, 15:30 - next one: [June 5th](#)
  - General Monthly:
    - Monday 6 July 2026, 16:00, <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1681937/>
    - Monday 31 August 2026, 16:00, <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1691945/>

# FCC: Physics, Experiments and Detectors (PED)

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## AGORA will be added to the FCC email lists and indico pages

### How to get involved

Group name	Email	Signup	Indico
Calorimetry	<a href="mailto:FCC-PED-DetectorConcepts-Calorimetry@cern.ch">FCC-PED-DetectorConcepts-Calorimetry@cern.ch</a>	<a href="#">click</a>	<a href="#">click</a>
Luminometry	<a href="mailto:FCC-PED-DetectorConcepts-Luminometry@cern.ch">FCC-PED-DetectorConcepts-Luminometry@cern.ch</a>	<a href="#">click</a>	<a href="#">click</a>
Magnet	<a href="mailto:FCC-PED-DetectorConcepts-Magnet@cern.ch">FCC-PED-DetectorConcepts-Magnet@cern.ch</a>	<a href="#">click</a>	<a href="#">click</a>
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- As a bonus, signing up to any of the above adds you to "FCC-PED-DetectorConcepts@cern.ch". For free! Not even a click!
- Indico categories have been created for [Detector Subsystems](#) and [Concept Studies](#)
- [FCC-PED homepage](#) with upcoming meetings
- Indico meeting [calendar](#)

#### Concept Studies

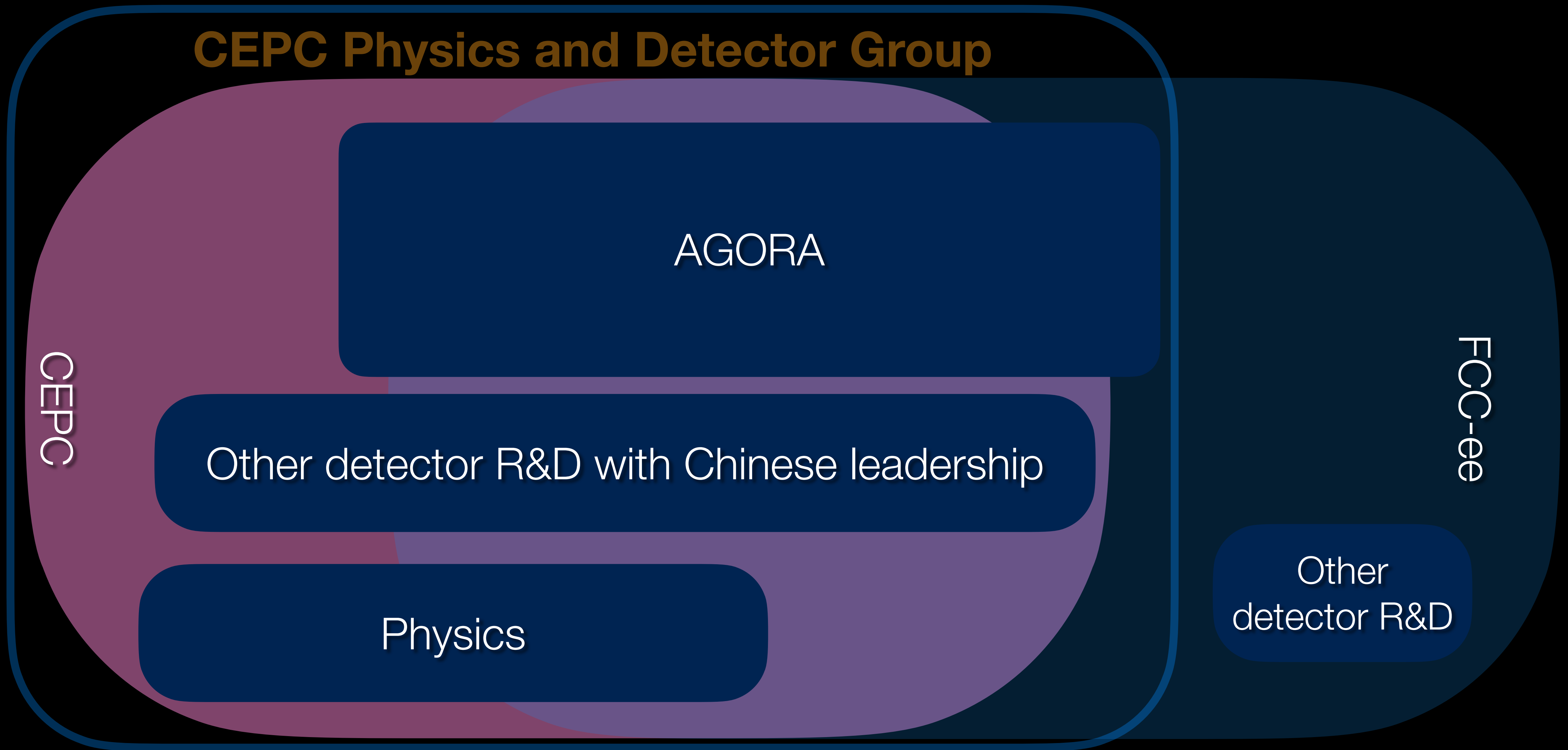
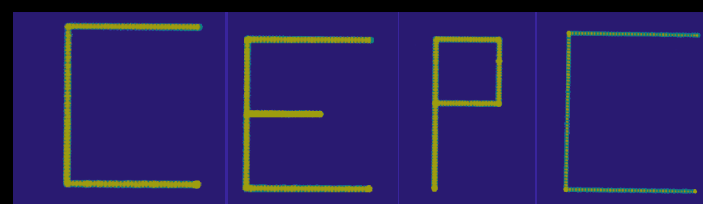
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#### Detector Subsystems

[Calorimetry](#)  
[Luminometry](#)  
[Magnet](#)  
[Muon](#)  
[TDAQ](#)  
[Tracker & PID](#)

### Sign-up for the corresponding lists!

# CEPC Physics and Detector Organization



# AGORA: Biggest Challenges

## Technical Challenges

- **CEPC → FCC-ee pivot:** MDI, final focus, background simulations must be re-optimised for FCC-ee conditions
- **Glass scintillator HCAL:** light yield only  $\sim 1500$  ph/MeV (vs BGO 7500), attenuation length  $\sim 6$  cm, slow decay (500 ns)
- **BGO ECAL scale-up:**  $24 \text{ m}^3$  of crystals, 571k channels — mass production, quality control, SiPM cooling
- **TPC at Z pole:** ion back-flow from space charge; needs double-mesh Micromegas or graphene-coated cathode
- **Software migration:** CEPCSW (Gaudi) → full FCC Key4HEP; adapt digitisation and background mixing

## Project & Collaboration Challenges

- Different MDI interface, beam parameters, civil engineering constraints
- Electronics clock, bunch crossing rate
- Need to maintain the two schemes in parallel unless they eventually merge
- Integrate physics goals from CEPC to FCC-ee
- Redefine our organization structure

# Upcoming activities

- **FCPPL**

- <https://indico.in2p3.fr/event/38713>
- Lyon, France, 29 June - 3 July, 2026

- **CEPC International Workshop**

- <https://indico.ihep.ac.cn/event/28911/>
- Shanghai, from October 22 to 26 2026
- Need to discuss how to display AGORA

- **CEPC European Edition Workshop**

- Belgrade, Serbia, June 8-11, 2027
- Need to discuss how to display AGORA

# Notes from Steering

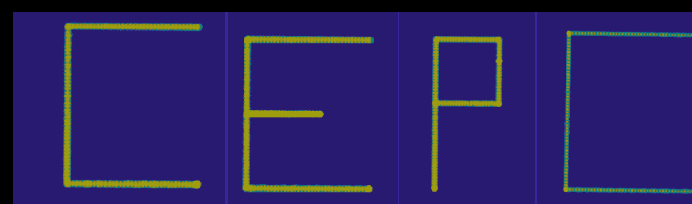
- **Publications**

- Papers should be sent to the group leadership, Joao, Jianchun, Miao and Imad for evaluation before submission. A paper committee will soon be defined
- Discuss your ideas for the papers as early as possible. Can make proposals here

- **Publications**

- Today we discuss a paper from the glass calorimeter

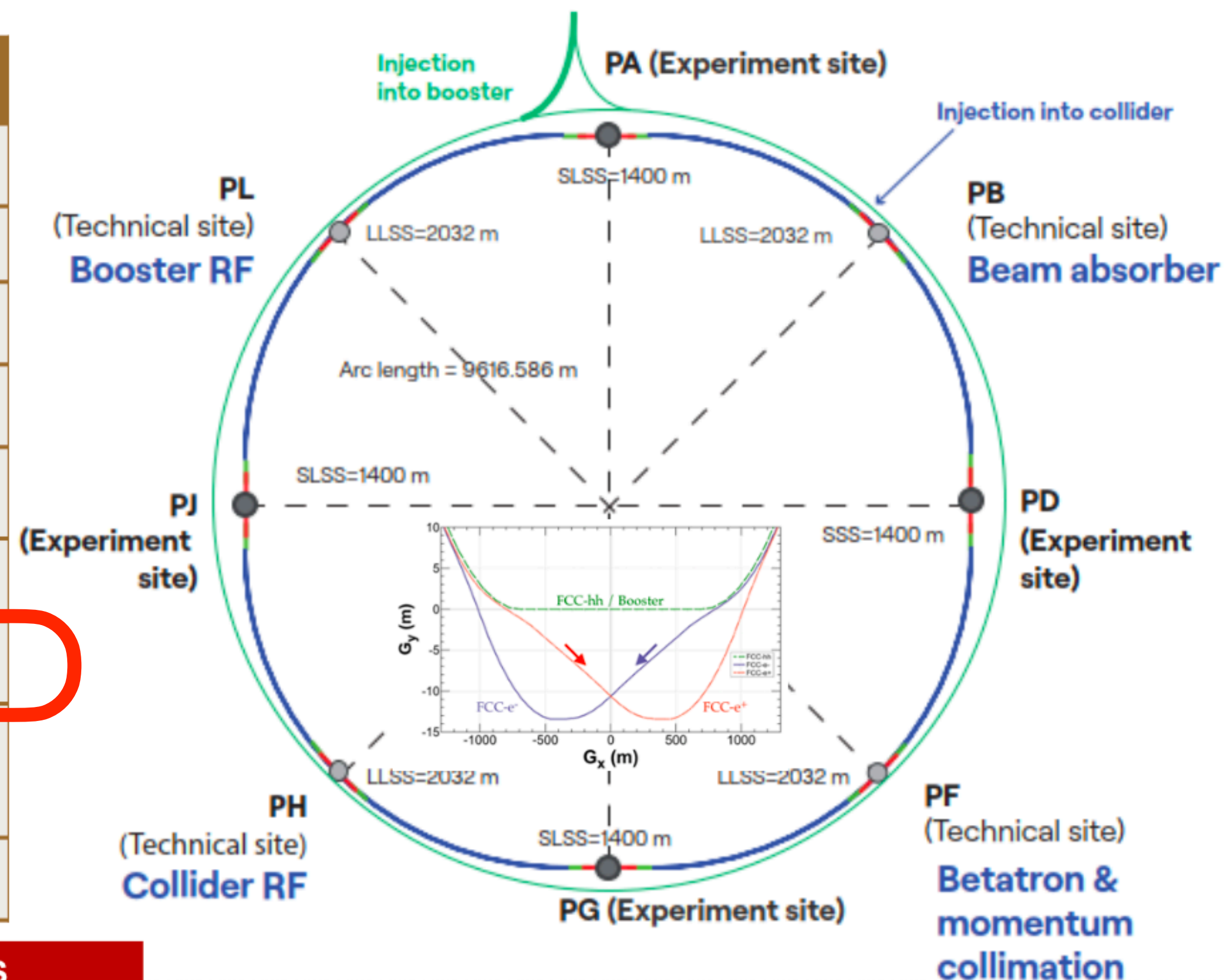
# Parameters from Feasibility Study



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based on **GHC** lattice developed by K. Oide

parameter	Z	WW	H (ZH)	$t\bar{t}$
beam energy [GeV]	45.6	80	120	182.5
synchrotron radiation/beam [MW]	50	50	50	50
beam current [mA]	1294	135	26.8	5.1
number bunches / beam	11200	1852	300	64
total RF voltage 400/800 MHz [GV]	0.08 / 0	1.0 / 0	2.09 / 0	2.1 / 9.2
# IPs	4	4	4	4
luminosity / IP [ $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ]	145	20	7.5	1.4
total integrated luminosity / IP / year [ $\text{ab}^{-1} / \text{yr}$ ]	17	2.4	0.9	0.17
beam lifetime [min]	21	13	9	10



4 years  
 $6 \times 10^{12}$  Z  
 LEP  $\times 10^5$

2 years  
 $> 10^8$  WW  
 LEP  $\times 10^4$

3 years  
 $> 2 \times 10^6$  H

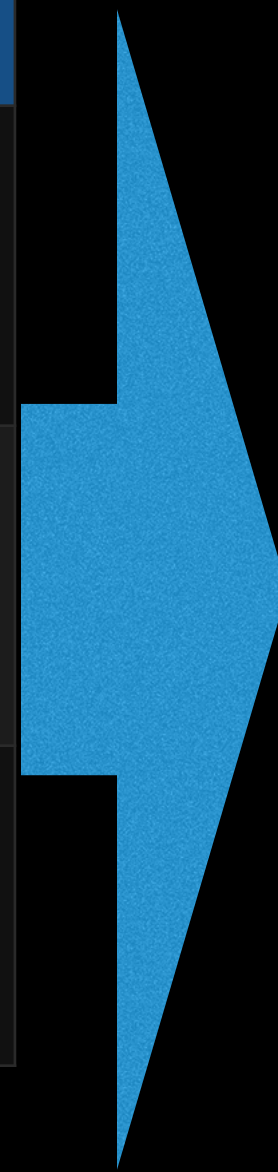
5 years  
 $2 \times 10^6$   $t\bar{t}$  pairs

basis for nominal FCC-ee physics programme

# CEPC Operation Scenarios and the FCC

**Baseline Scenario (TDR) — SR Power: 30 / 12.1 MW**

Mode	$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	SR Pwr (MW)	L/IP ( $\times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	Run (yr)	$\int L dt$ ( $\text{ab}^{-1}, 1\text{IP}$ )	Event Yields
H	240	30	5	15	10	$2.0 \times 10^6$
Z	91	12.1	26	4	13	$5.6 \times 10^{11}$
W+W-	155 - 170	30	16	1	1.2	$1.0 \times 10^7$



**Ultimate Scenario (Upgrade) — SR Power: 50 MW**

Mode	$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	L/IP ( $\times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	$\int L/\text{yr}$ ( $\text{ab}^{-1}$ )	Run (yr)	$\int L$ ( $\text{ab}^{-1}, 2\text{IP}$ )	Event Yields
H	240	8.3	2.2	10	21.6	$4.3 \times 10^6$
Z	91	192	50	2	100	$4.1 \times 10^{12}$
W+W-	155 - 170	26.7	6.9	1	6.9	$5.5 \times 10^7$
ttbar	360	0.8	0.2	5	1.0	$0.6 \times 10^6$

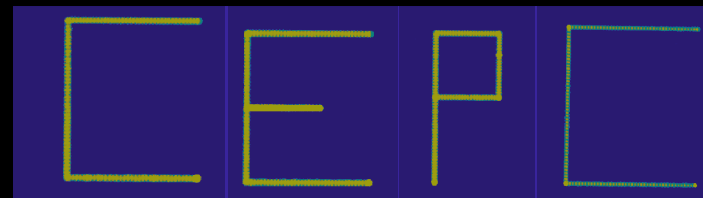
**Some detector components needs further studies to guarantee optimal performance at the higher rate of upgraded CEPC or FCC plan A**

**Main concern: Gas tracker -- TPC, increase inner radius further (?), drift chamber (?) or other options**

**Work to be done next in collaboration with FCC community**

The end

# CERN Council Decision on FCC-ee



*ESPP 2026 Update · Council Resolution of 22 May 2026 · Costas Fountas (Council President)*

- **The CERN Council updated the European Strategy for Particle Physics (ESPP)**
  - adopting FCC-ee as the **next flagship project at CERN** and the **FCC integrated programme (ee + hh)** as the long-term vision
  - 24 of 25 Member State communities support FCC-ee; 20 of 25 support the integrated FCC-ee/FCC-hh programme. Strong support also from Associate and Non-Member States.
- **Funding mandate to the Director-General (Mark Thomson):**
  - Initiate discussions with Member/Associate/Non-Member States and the EU to secure additional cash + in-kind contributions.
  - Build on existing pledges:
    - 860 M€ from private donors already secured.
    - 3 B€ FCC budget line in the EU Draft Multi-annual Financial Framework (MFF) 2028-2034
    - Develop a financially feasible funding plan — ~4-5 MCHF needed outside the CERN budget.
- **Governance & timeline:**
  - ▶ Informal Council retreat in Tallinn, Estonia (**Feb 2027**) to discuss FCC governance and financial models.
  - ▶ Annual reports on Strategy implementation; target a final Council decision on FCC-ee by 2028.

## ***Draft Updated FCC Timeline***

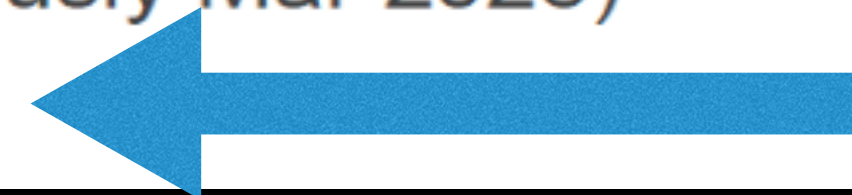
### **FCC Phases (assuming approval)**

- 2026-2028: Reference Design Phase (previously referred to as pre-TDR Phase)
- 2029-2033: Technical Design Phase
- 2033- : Project Implementation

### **Proposed Council Milestones** (updated from CERN/SPC/1259/RA CERN/3912/RA)

- Mar 2026: discussion of Reference Design Phase scope and deliverables
- Jun 2026: approval of Reference Design Phase following ESPP update
- Sep 2026: input from Council in requirements for project approval
- Dec 2026: decision in Council on the main features of the funding model
- Mar 2027: decision on FCC governance model (previously Dec 2026) – after possible retreat?
- Jun 2028: final review of Reference Design Phase (previously Mar 2028)
- Sep 2028: earliest decision point (previously Jun 2028)

DG - March 2026



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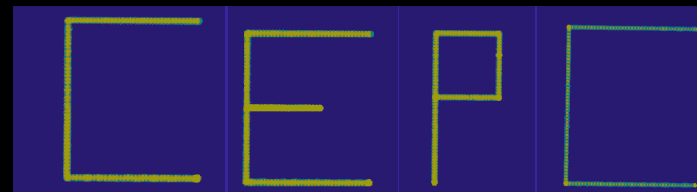
## Top Priority: Exploitation of LHC & HL-LHC

- HL-LHC and ATLAS/CMS Phase-2 upgrades are CERN's **highest priority**
- Long Shutdown 3 (LS3) begins 29 June 2026 — largest CERN project in ~20 years
- 4-year shutdown: install and commission HL-LHC, ATLAS/CMS Phase-2 upgrades
- HL-LHC operations ~2030–2041: 6× more data than LHC, new discovery potential
- Full exploitation includes ALICE and LHCb upgrades during LS4
- **Meeting the current schedule is** essential for momentum toward the next long-term project

## Highest Long-Term Priority: FCC-ee

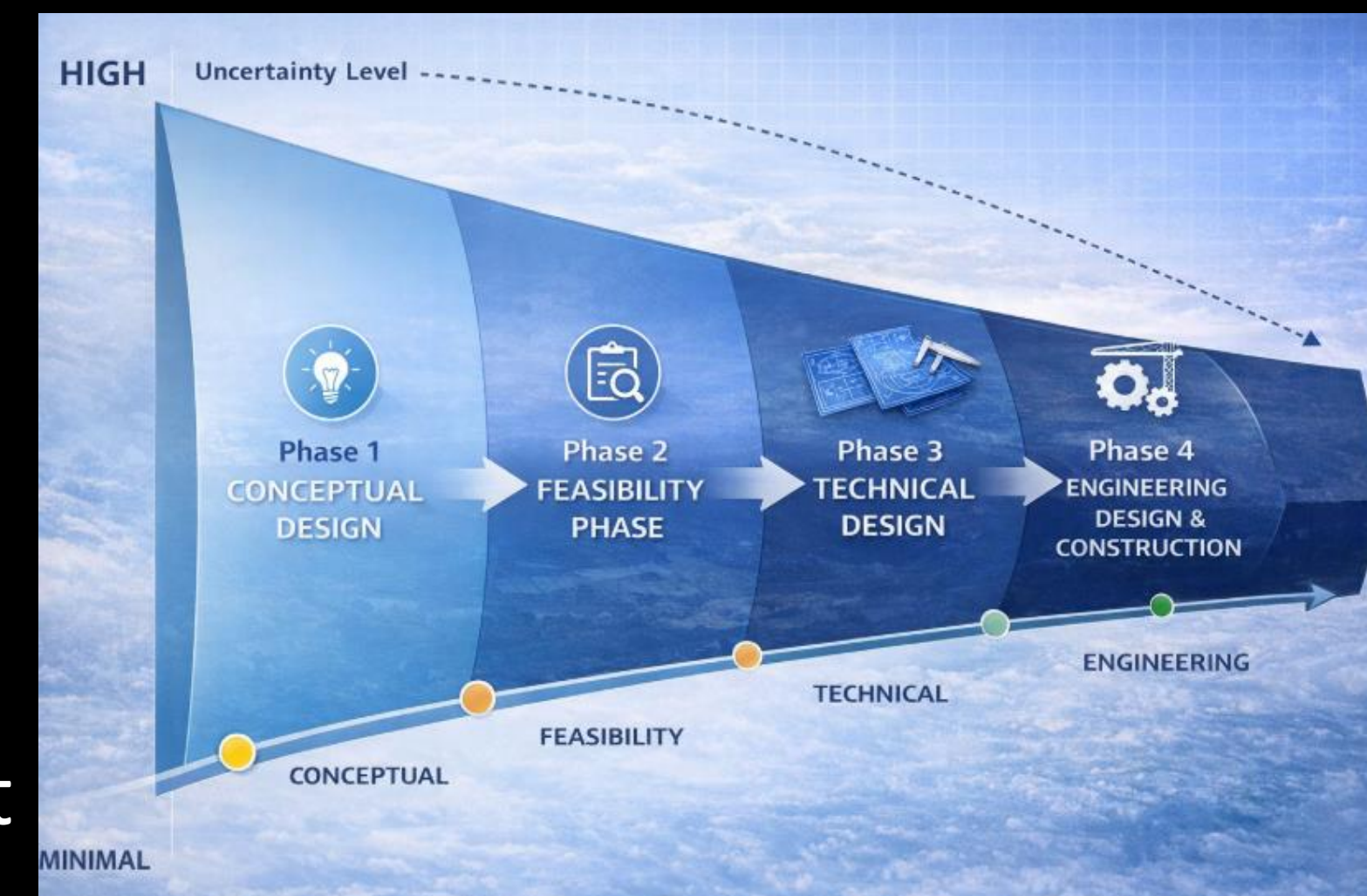
- FCC-ee is endorsed as CERN's **sole vision for the next flagship collider**
- Target: be in position for CERN Council to decide on FCC-ee from **June 2028 onwards**
- New FCC Project Office established to steer reference design and documentation
- "Options analysis" will be prepared for Member States: FCC-ee vs. descoped FCC-ee
- Non-collider physics: new roadmap for future non-collider programme by early 2027
- International partnership model needed for FCC-ee delivery

# From Feasibility Study to Reference Design Phase (RDP)

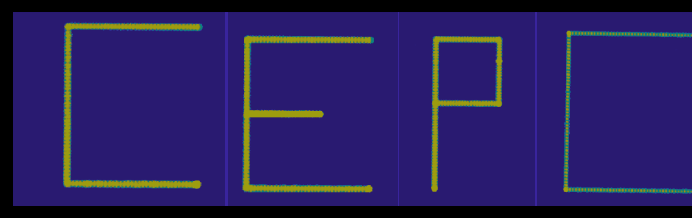


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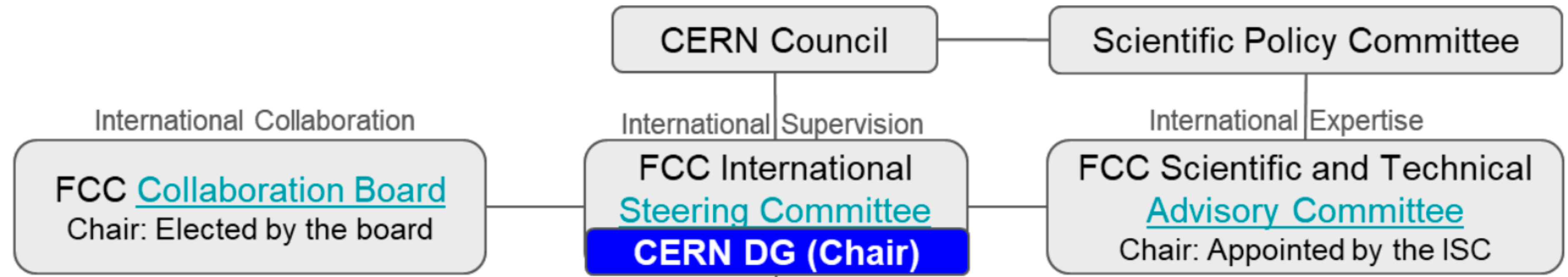
- **Now moving to Reference Design Phase (2026-2028)**
  - followed by Technical Design Phase (2029-2032), targeting project decision by Council after RDP
- **RDP Objectives (6 key areas):**
  - ▶ Increase technical design maturity & address FS review recommendations
  - ▶ Civil engineering refined for tender design readiness, environmental impact & authorisation
  - ▶ Reduce project risks via integration, prototyping, cost/performance contingency, close coordination with Host States
  - ▶ Reinforce international collaboration as basis for global project support
- **RDP Deliverables by Q1 2028:**
  - Integrated technical baseline | Resource-loaded project master schedule | Updated cost estimate with uncertainty | Project-wide risk register | Procurement strategy (incl. in-kind contributions)



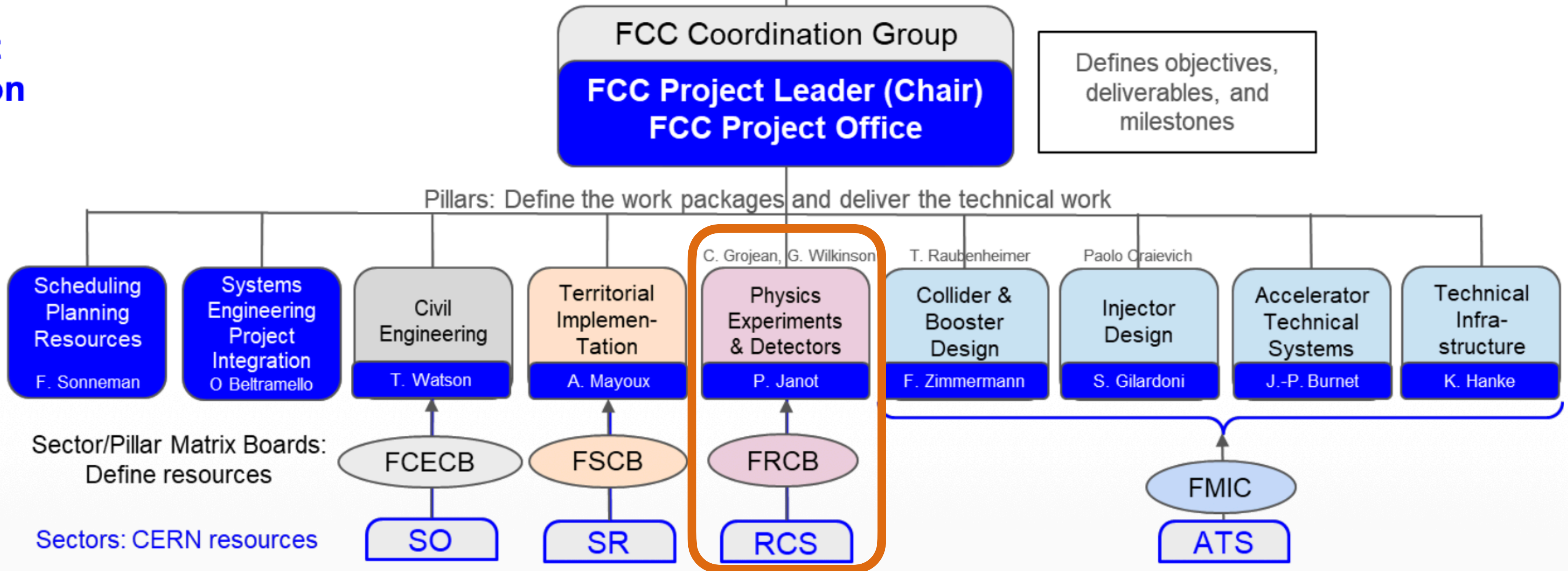
# FCC organization for Reference Design Phase



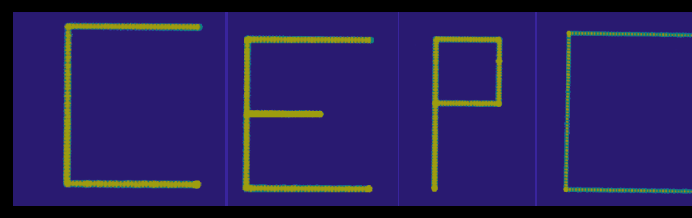
## Project Governance



## Project Execution

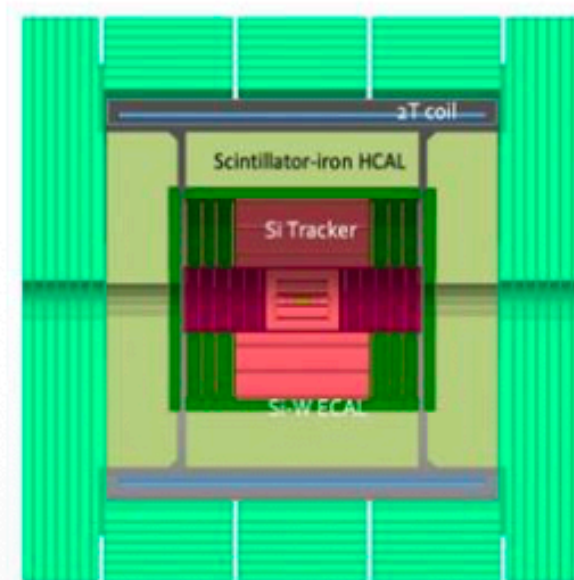


# Physics, Experiments, Detectors - objectives

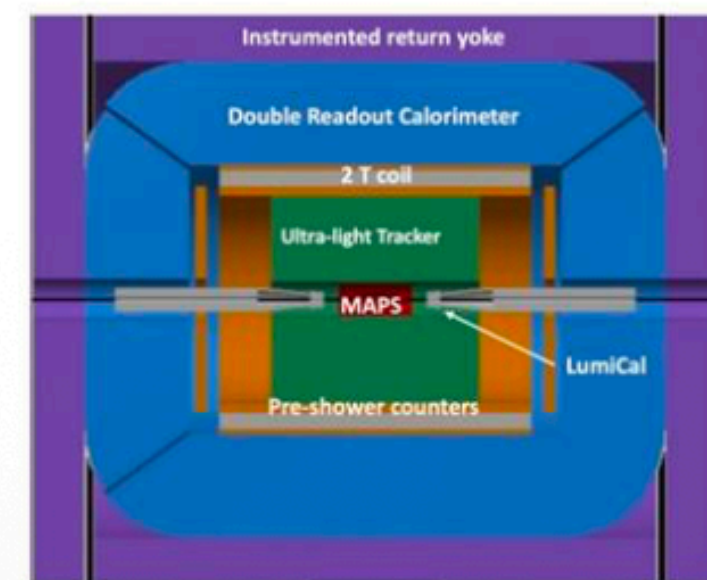


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- Continue developing the **international high-energy physics community**
- Consolidation of the **interaction region layout, detector integration, and beam-background mitigation**
- Optimised **procedures for  $\sqrt{s}$  calibration & possible monochromatic operation at  $\sqrt{s} = 125$  GeV**
- Finalising common **software/analysis framework** and developing **common computing architecture**
- Realistic studies of **experimental systematic uncertainties** for some **EW precision** measurements and consolidation of the **pertaining requirements** on collider, detectors, and theory
- **Engagement of theory community** to address theory challenge and nurture the young generation
- Proposal for staging implementation and improvements of the **staged/descoped FCC-ee**
- **Prepare to answer call for (at least 4) documented EoI's for FCC-ee experiments end 2028**



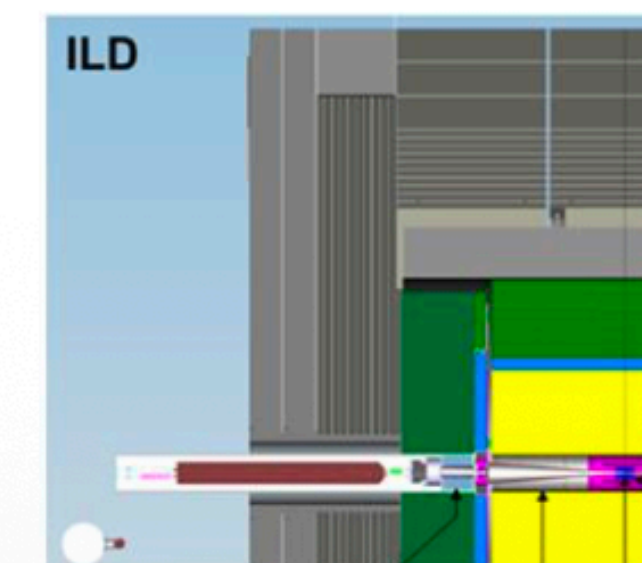
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etc.

# Common Aspects Across All Concepts

**General-purpose design** for the full FCC-ee physics programme (Z, WW, ZH,  $t\bar{t}$ )

- **Silicon vertex detectors:**

- MAPS-based, 0.1–0.3%  $X_0$  per layer, beam-pipe radius  $\approx 10$ –13 mm

- **Superconducting solenoids:**

- 2–3.5 T central field, all major subsystems within the coil

- **Highly granular calorimetry:**

- Particle-flow or dual-readout techniques, jet energy resolution  $< 4\%$

- **Muon identification:**

- Embedded in flux-return yoke, RPC or scintillator+SiPM readout

- **Software:** common Key4HEP framework (Geant4 + DD4hep + Gaudi + Marlin/LCIO)

# Main Differences: Tracker & PID Technologies

Concept	Primary Tracker	PID Technique	Material Budget
AGORA	TPC (pixelated readout) + Si envelope	dN/dx (2%) + ToF (50 ps)	$\sim 1.5\% X_0$
IDEA	Drift chamber (112 layers, He/ iC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> )	Cluster counting (primary ionization)	1.6% X <sub>0</sub> (90°)
ILD	TPC + Si tracker	dE/dx → migrating to dN/dx	$\sim 2\% X_0$
CLD	All-silicon (pixel + strip)	None (ARC RICH under study)	$\sim 2.5\% X_0$
ALLEGRO	IDEA-like / straw tube / drift + Si wrap	dE/dx + timing	TBD
ALFA	All-MAPS (no gaseous detector)	ARC (Array of RICH Cells)	0.31% X <sub>0</sub> /layer

# Main Differences: Calorimetry

Concept	ECAL Technology	HCAL Technology	BMR
AGORA	BGO crystal bars (orthogonal, $24 X_0$ )	Glass scintillator + steel ( $6 \lambda_i$ )	3.87%
IDEA	Dual-readout crystal (PWO/BGO+BSO + filters)	Dual-readout fibre (bucatini style)	$\sim 3-4\%$
ILD	Si/W high-granularity (30 layers, $5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^2$ )	Scint-steel (AHCAL) or RPC (SDHCAL)	$\sim 3.5\%$
CLD	Si/W high-granularity (40 layers)	Scint-steel (SiPM-on-tile)	$\sim 3.5\%$
ALLEGRO	Noble-liquid (LAr/LKr + Pb/steel absorbers)	TileCal-style (scintillator tiles + steel)	TBD
ALFA	GRAiNITA (ZnWO <sub>4</sub> grains in transparent resin)	Dual-readout in iron	Under eval.

# Some Key Parameters Comparison

Concept	B-Field	Design Maturity	Cost Estimate	Collaboration Size
<b>AGORA</b>	<b>3 T (2 T at Z)</b>	<b>TDR complete (Oct 2025, 700+ pp)</b>	<b>333.3 MCHF (+3% install)</b>	<b>1500+ authors, 385 institutes</b>
IDEA	2 T (3 T studied)	Conceptual (2–3 yr to TDR)	Not available	170 authors, 47 institutes
ILD	3.5 T (2 T at Z)	Conceptual (3–4 yr, from ILC)	~390 MUS\$ (2012, not upd.)	~275 members, 59 institutes
CLD	2 T (3 T studied)	Conceptual (from CLICdet)	Not available	Not specified
ALLEGRO	2 T	Early conceptual (EoI submitted 2025)	Not available	170 authors, 47 institutes
ALFA	3 T	<1 year (design forming)	Not available	Starting up

# IDEA & ILD: Biggest Challenges

## IDEA

- **Cluster counting PID at scale:** full-length prototype not built; fast FPGA peak-finding still in development
- **Dual-readout crystal ECAL:** scintillation + Cherenkov separation with optical filters — still R&D
- **Drift chamber ageing:** He/iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> at high rate; long drift time (~350 ns) → pile-up at high luminosity
- No cost estimate; MDI mock-up under construction at Frascati

## ILD

- **Linear → circular adaptation:** designed for ILC pulsed mode (199 ns gap); must handle 23 ns bunch spacing at Z pole — 100× power dissipation increase
- **TPC space charge:** ion back-flow and field distortions in continuous mode; dN/dx software not yet available
- **Lower B-field at Z pole (2 T):** degrades momentum resolution; needs systematic performance re-evaluation
- Forward coverage reduced by deeper final-focus intrusion vs ILC

# CLD & ALLEGRO: Biggest Challenges

## CLD

- **All-silicon tracker:** multiple scattering degrades low-momentum resolution vs gaseous trackers
- **ECAL cost:** 40 layers Si/W likely too expensive; studying 20–30 layers with thicker absorbers
- **Continuous cooling:** no power-pulsing possible; active cooling without adding excessive material
- No intrinsic PID; ARC addition would modify tracker length and introduce cracks

## ALLEGRO

- **Noble-liquid ECAL:** cold front-end electronics, low-mass cryostat (carbon fibre), crosstalk <1%, large electrodes (1×0.6 m)
- **Bunch spacing sensitivity:** calorimeter prefers 50 ns over 5 ns; simulation of both patterns needed
- **Particle-flow software:** endcap clustering not functional; PandoraPFA + ML-PFlow under development
- No formal collaboration yet; solenoid between ECAL and HCAL (shared cryostat)

# ALFA: Biggest Challenges

- **Very young project (<1 year)** — design not consolidated, community building just starting
- **All-MAPS outer tracker:** stave mechanics (foam, Opteon™ SF10 cooling), serial powering, Al interconnects, Si photonics readout — all unproven at scale
- **ARC (RICH) for PID:** first design of mechanics and electronics; SiPM cooling; integration with tracker
- **GRAiNITA ECAL:** scaling to 200 tonnes of ZnWO<sub>4</sub> crystals; replacing heavy liquid with transparent resin; full-size demonstrator (17×17×40 cm<sup>3</sup>) needed
- **Hadron energy measurement:** improvement via pulse-shape analysis and longitudinal segmentation
- Luminometer not finalised (MAPS vs Si strips); endcap tracker geometry moving from stave to 'Dee'
- Many details unsorted

# AGORA: Major Advantages

*Strengths that set AGORA apart from competing concepts*

- **TDR completeness** — only detector with a full Technical Design Report, engineering details, and full cost estimate (333.3 MCHF)
- **Advanced TPC with cluster counting ( $dN/dx$ ):**  $K/\pi$  separation  $>3\sigma$  up to 20 GeV/c; resolution  $\sim 2\%$  (vs traditional  $dE/dx$  at 4–5%)
  - ▶ Combined with OTK ToF (50 ps)  $\rightarrow$  PID coverage from 0.5 to 20 GeV/c
- **Crystal ECAL performance:** EM resolution  $1.14\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.44\%$ ; BMR = 3.87%; Higgs mass precision 4 MeV
  - ▶ Competitive Higgs physics reach demonstrated via full simulation

# Other Concepts: Key Advantages

## IDEA

- **Superior PID in principle:** cluster counting is Poisson-limited — factor  $\sim 2$  improvement over  $dE/dx$
- **Ultra-low material tracker:** only 1.6%  $X_0$  ( $90^\circ$ ) — excellent low-p tracking
- **Dual-readout calorimetry:** best EM + hadronic combination available ( $\sim 30\%/ \sqrt{E}$ )
- **Most active test-beam programme:** 6–7 beams/year; combined ECAL+HCAL tests scheduled June 2026
- **Experienced team:** builds on KLOE and MEG2 drift chamber heritage

## ILD

- **Particle-flow leadership:** PandoraPFA with 15 years of full simulation and reconstruction development
- **Large community:**  $\sim 275$  scientists from 59 institutes; deep sub-detector experience
- **Proven TPC performance:** extensive test-beam validation;  $dN/dx$  can improve PID by 30–40%
- **Flexible hadronic calorimetry:** accepts both AHCAL and SDHCAL options

# CLD, ALLEGRO & ALFA: Key Advantages

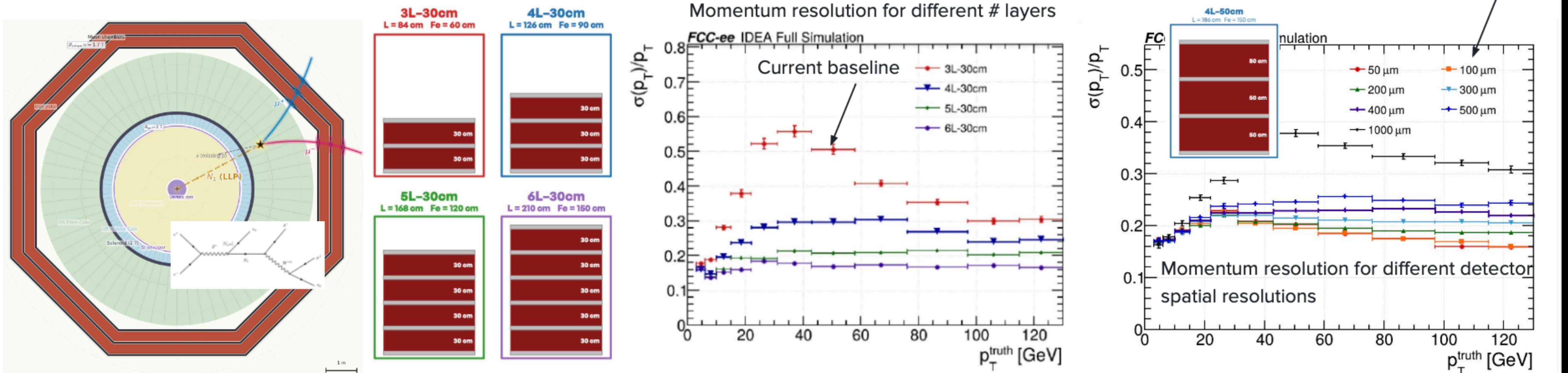
*Distinctive strengths of the three concepts outside the first tier*

- **CLD:** all-silicon tracker — radiation-hard, excellent forward coverage, no gas system complexity; mature Key4HEP reconstruction; rapid adaptation from CLICdet (over-designed for FCC-ee backgrounds)
- **ALLEGRO:** noble-liquid ECAL — stable, linear, uniform (ATLAS LAr heritage); open design allows innovation across all sub-detectors; modular integration accepts various tracker/PID/HCAL options
- **ALFA:** clean-slate design optimised purely for performance and cost; all-MAPS tracker — 0.31%  $X_0$ /layer target,  $\sim 5 \mu\text{m}$  spatial resolution; GRAiNITA ECAL — cost-effective (<2% stochastic, <1% constant from prototype); ARC RICH PID — compact (20 cm radial, 10%  $X_0$ ) with dual radiators

# Muon System Optimization for Displaced Signature

Physics studies, Detectors, Physics software and computing · Brieuc Francois (CERN)

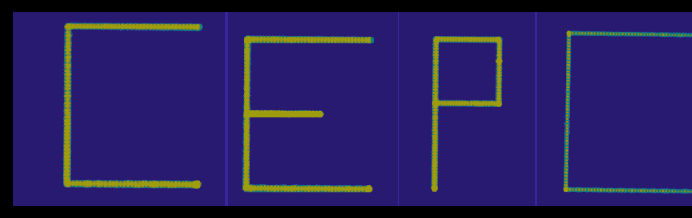
- Thorough detector **optimization** for **standalone muon** reconstruction based on **IDEA Full Sim**
  - HNL's as a benchmark**, valid for any displaced charged signatures
- Varies number of muon layers, spatial resolution, yoke thickness, lever arm and B field
- Highlights: **3 layers (baseline)** is not enough, lever arm is very important, **spatial resolution can be relaxed (multiple scattering)**, return field should be kept high ( $\sim 1.5$  T)
- Side personal note: as of today **IDEA** is the **only concept with standalone muon capabilities**  
→ if we want muon standalone, **we'd better have two concepts** with this capability



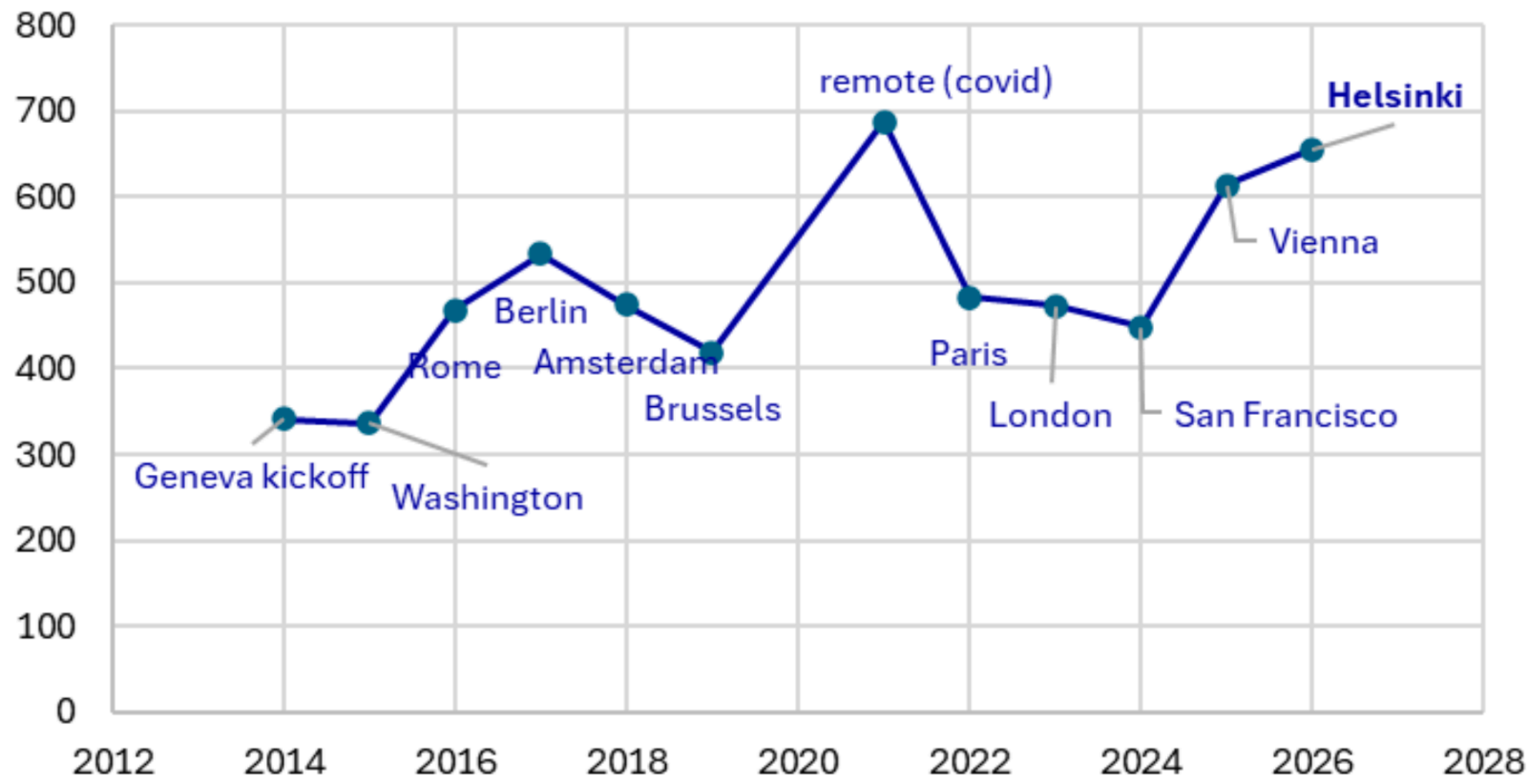
# Ranking by Scientific Reach & Expected Performance (from AI)

Rank	Concept	Maturity	PID	Calorimetry	Scientific Reach
1	AGORA	✓ TDR (highest)	Excellent (dN/dx + ToF)	BMR 3.87%	Excellent
2	IDEA	Conceptual	Superior (cluster counting)*	Very good (dual-readout)	Excellent*
3	ILD	Conceptual	Very good (dE/dx → dN/dx)	Very good (PFA)	Very good
4	CLD	Conceptual	None (under study)	Good (PFA)	Good
5	ALLEGRO	Early conceptual	Minimal	Good (PFA)	Good
6	ALFA	Very early	Good (ARC RICH)	Under evaluation	Unknown

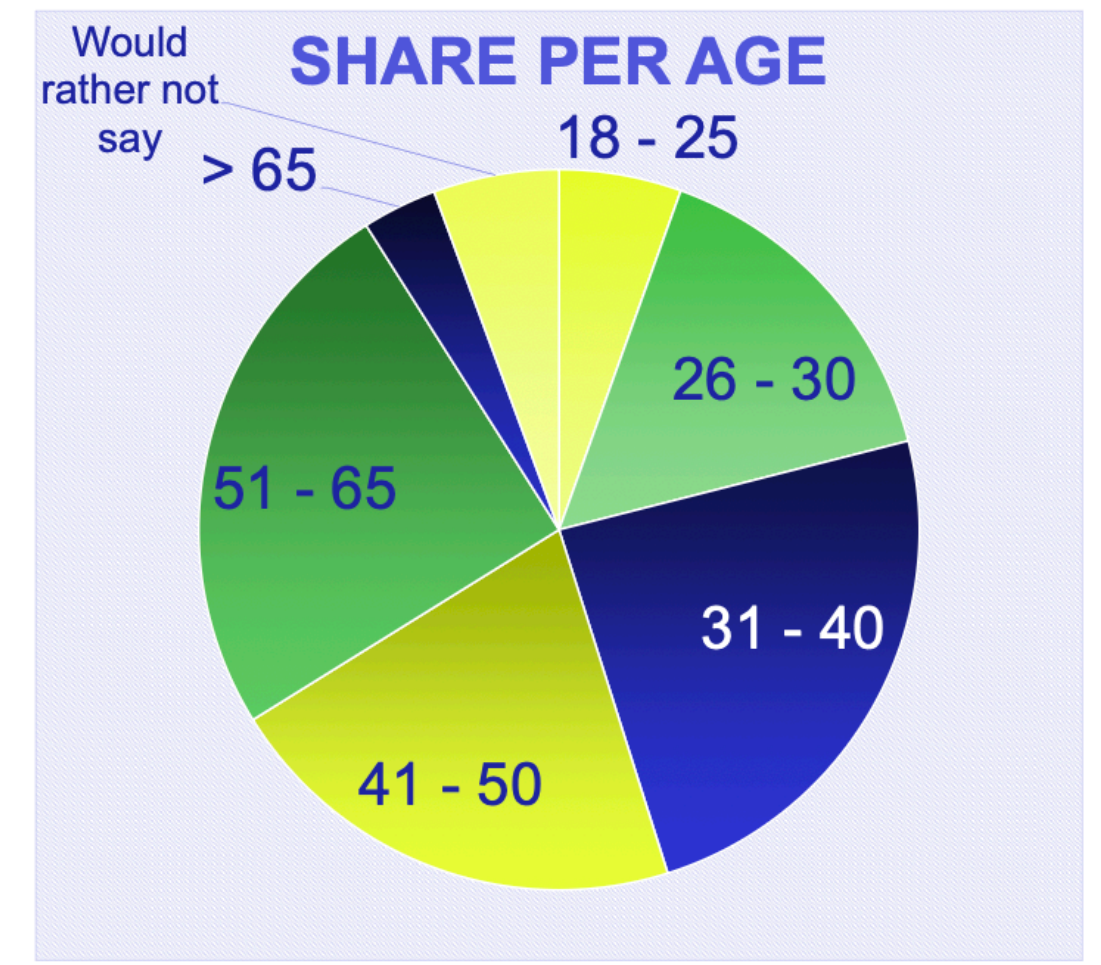
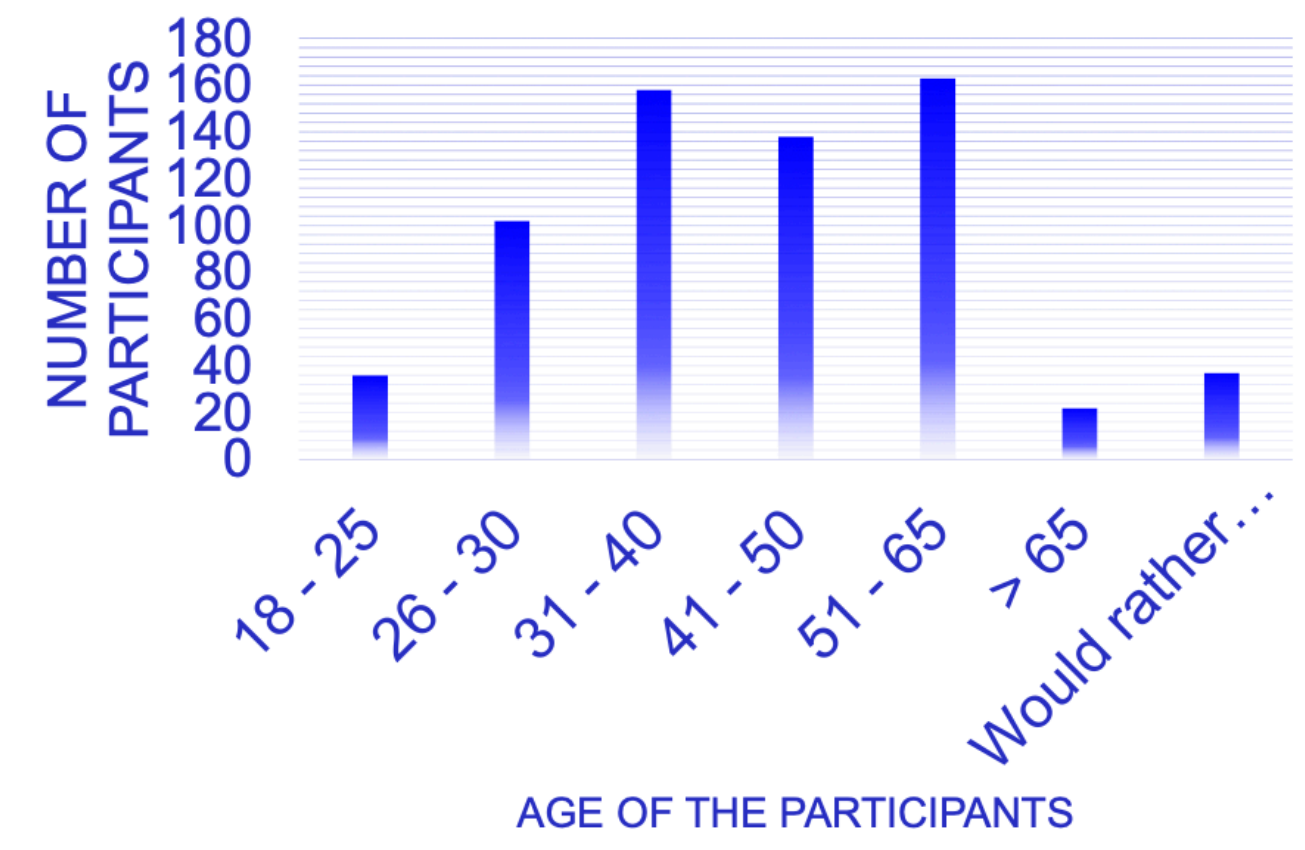
# FCC Week Participation



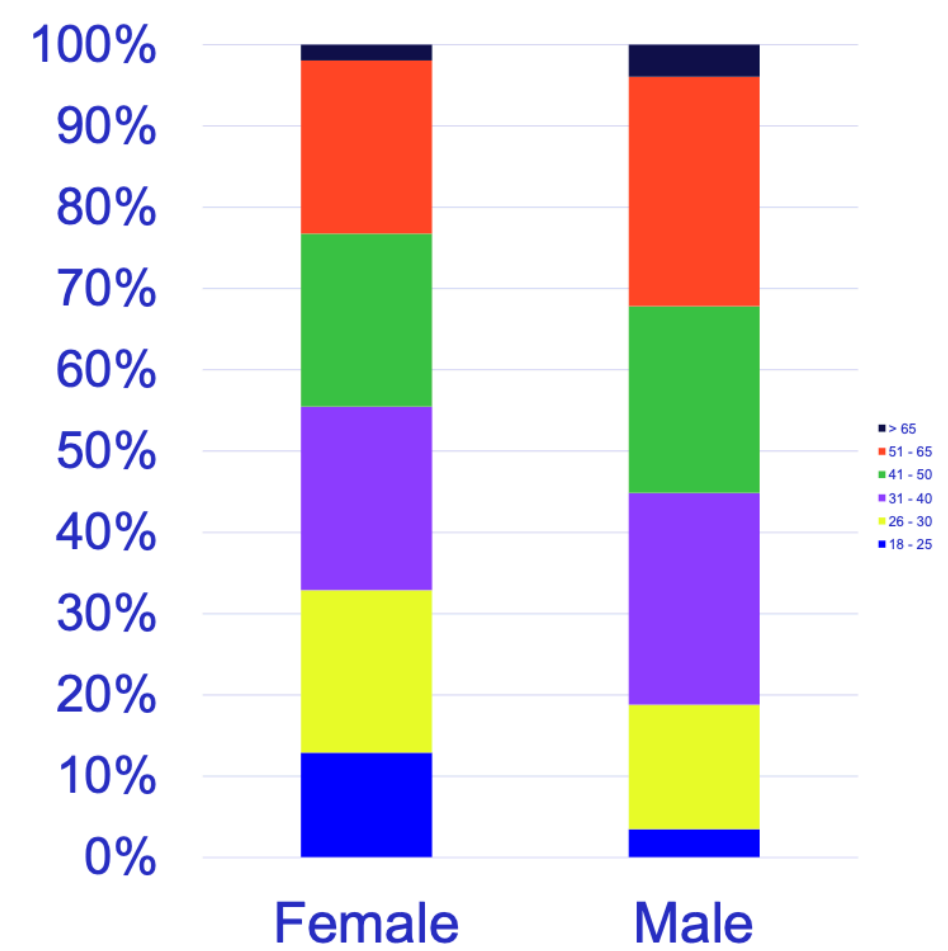
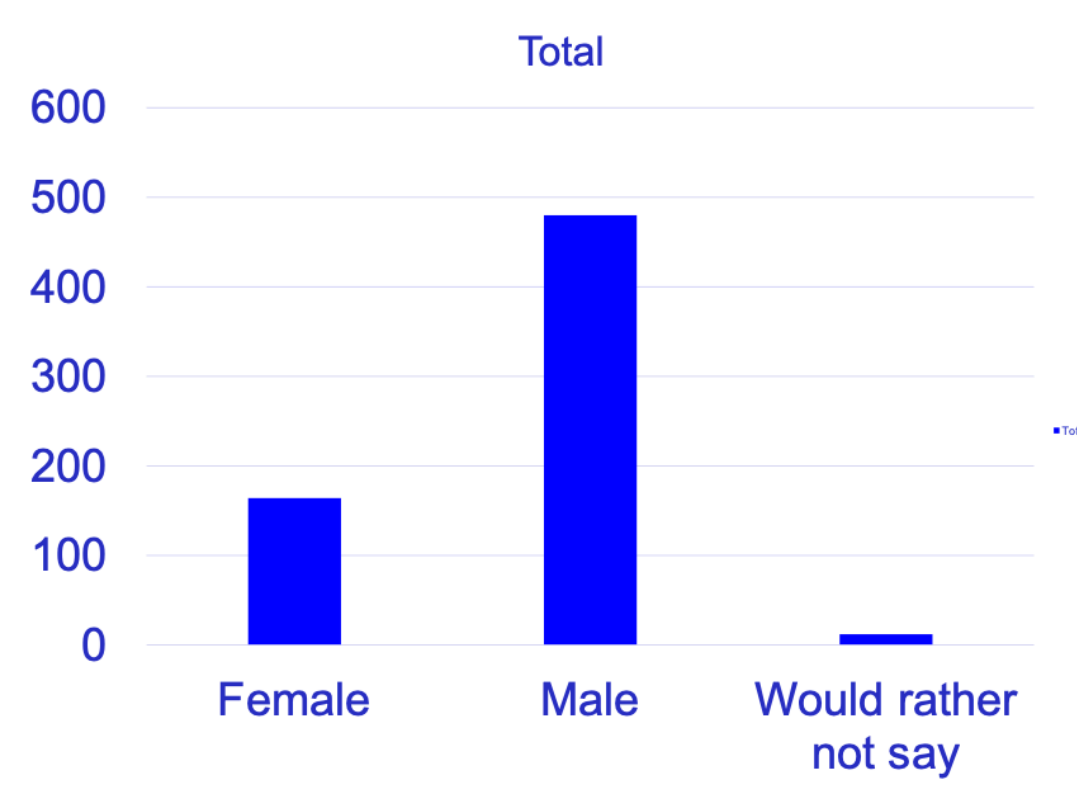
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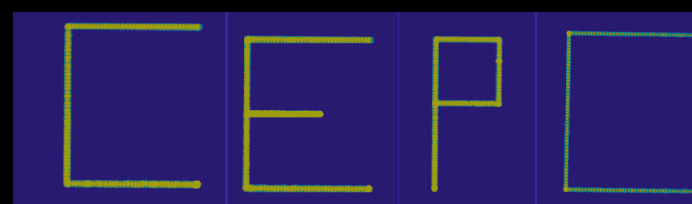
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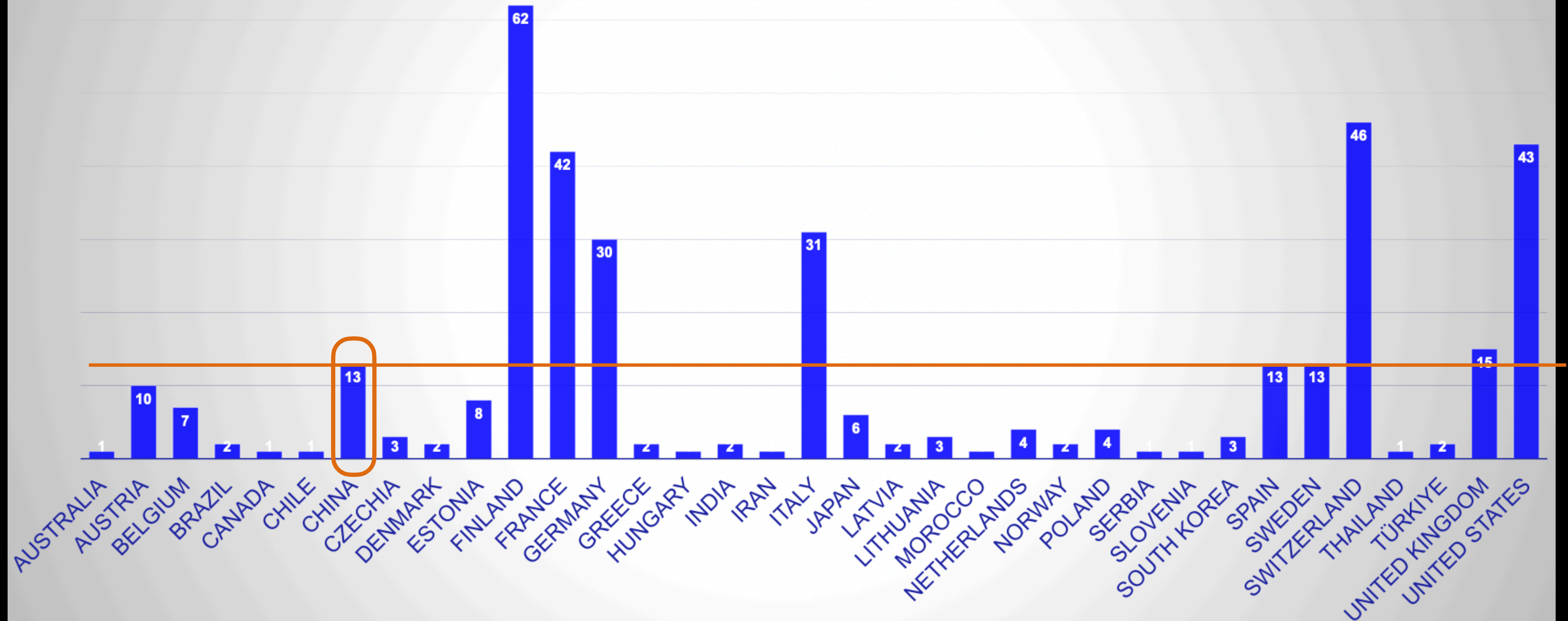
### Participants per gender and age



# FCC Week Participation



Number of participants per affiliation country (excluding CERN people)



## **AGORA: Advanced Glass Optimized Research Apparatus**

**Proposed at FCC-ee Week and will be incorporated into the project**

**Focus will be into consolidating the designs, integrating within FCC framework**

**Need to join FCC-ee email lists**

**Create further conditions for international cooperation**

## Collider Optics & Infrastructure

- **New LCC collider optics (P. Raimondi)**: endorsed by external review Jan 2026 — 10% reduction in SR power (45 MW), larger dynamic aperture, reduced sextupole circuits (cost/availability), modular insertions enable individual optics optimisation
- **Arc cell 3-D integration**: coherent mechanical model complete — basis for detailed design and precise cost estimates. Lead shielding around SR absorbers, dipole busbars, vacuum chamber support all integrated.
- **Technical infrastructure**: updated 3D model of electrical substation (~2800 m<sup>2</sup>) based on real equipment sizes. Electrical distribution, cooling, ventilation, cryogenics, safety/access, transport/logistics all advancing.
- **Arc Half Cell Mock-up**: ~30m x 5.5m installed — all services mounted, machine lines being installed. Key input for optimising 80km arc sections (installation, integration, transport, robotics).

## Injector Complex & Positron Source

- **Injector complex design**: finalisation of damping ring and polarisation schemes underway. Placement, civil engineering, surface integration, infrastructure needs being defined.
- **P3 positron production experiment @ PSI**: demonstrator of e<sup>+</sup> source and capture system using SwissFEL 6 GeV e<sup>-</sup> beam. Beamline commissioning completed, HTS solenoid for adiabatic capture installed, RF conditioning started, first e<sup>+</sup> production in summer 2026.
- **Electron source test facility @ PSI**: proof of principle for top-up injection: charge modulation, 1-2 bunches, 0-5 nC at 100 Hz using SwissFEL photocathode RF gun. First e<sup>-</sup> beam: H2 2027.
- **Parameters from FS (baseline)**: Z:  $6 \times 10^{12}$  events/4yr, WW:  $>10^8/2\text{yr}$ , ZH:  $>2 \times 10^6$  H/3yr, ttbar:  $2 \times 10^6$  pairs/5yr — all at 4 IPs with 50 MW SR/beam.

## Civil Engineering & Site Investigations

- **Site investigations SSI-1**: 27 drillings (1 land + 3 lake remaining), >80 km seismic surveys completed by end 2026. Tunnel expected to remain largely within molasse rock. Updated geological model Q1 2027 enables tunnel elevation/tilt adjustment.
- **Medium/longer-term planning**: excavation material disposal/re-use plans, SSI-2 (~100 drillings, experiment sites) contract signed, injector complex designs advancing, TBM drive location strategy, construction contract procurement models.
- **Territorial implementation**: dedicated project pillar — bilateral/tripartite coordination with Host States, regulatory procedure sequencing, land/underground volume identification, cross-border environmental impact assessment framework.
- **Public participation**: France: CNDP-led public debate (2 Jun - 1 Oct 2026), Switzerland: strategic consultation framework (18 May - 2 Oct 2026). 20+ events: public meetings, workshops, site visits, exploratory walks. Prior to any project decision.

## Global Collaboration & Physics Planning

- **FCC Global Collaboration**: 187 institutes from 40 countries + CERN. Plan for in-kind contributions, new MoU & Addendum for Technical Design Phase in preparation.
- **Physics/Experiments goals**: consolidate IR layout & detector integration, beam-background mitigation, optimised sqrt(s) calibration & monochromatic 125 GeV operation, common software/computing architecture, systematic uncertainty studies for EW precision, theory community engagement.
- **Expression of Interest**: call for at least 4 documented EoIs for FCC-ee experiments by end 2028.
- **FCC Organisation for RDP**: new project governance structure with Project Execution and Project Governance pillars. Simplified master schedule 2026-2034 presented — construction start target 2032/33.
- **Bottom line**: overarching goal = enable informed Council decision on FCC-ee in 2028. All activities aligned with construction start by 2032/33, following HL-LHC operations.