

Dear IPP Members,

In the time leading up to the submission of the IPP brief to the NSERC Long Range Planning (LRP) Committee, IPP council will request summary briefs from all existing and proposed projects. The information requested will be different for three different classes of projects:

- 1) Those that will ramp down during the next 5 years
- 2) On-going projects
- 3) R&D projects + new initiatives

>From each project, of course, we would like to hear about the physics goals, either those that have been achieved, or are forthcoming, in the case of running experiments, or those which motivate the experiment, in the case of projects that are still under construction or are being proposed as new initiatives. We would also like to hear more technical details of the kind that are summarized at the end of this mail (though this is not meant to be a complete or exclusive list).

We will also be polling the theory community to get their input. Cliff Burgess has agreed to undertake this task on behalf of council. A separate set of questions will be drafted and circulated to the full membership in the next week or 10 days.

I would like to stress that this list is not intended as a template for presentations at the upcoming townhall meeting. Just as the questions differ for the different classes of experiments, the presentations will probably also differ in format and content. We encourage speakers to address these issues to whatever extent fits with the format of your presentation, but they should not dictate that format.

You can find an AgendaMaker agenda for the meeting at:

<http://agenda.triumf.ca/fullAgenda.php?id=a057>

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Speakers will be given the modification key by their session chairs so that they can upload their talks prior to the meeting. We would prefer to use on laptop keyed off this webpage to minimise the turnover between talks.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you there and getting your feedback on council's approach to preparing the IPP brief for the LRP committee,

Best Regards,

Peter Krieger (for IPP-council)

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List of Questions:

Again, this is a tentative list of (mostly obvious) issues that we will need to examine when preparing the IPP brief. This will likely change a bit over the next few months.

For experiments that will end during the next 5 years:

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- timeline for completion: end of data-taking, end of physics
  - anticipated funding profile / requirements
  - FTE profile over this timeline
  - if known, where are these FTE going to?

For on-going projects:

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- milestones/timelines
  - FTE profile
  - proposed group activities over this timeline
  - funding profile
  - are there resource issues ? Is there something lacking that is required to make the project successful?

For R&D efforts and new initiatives:

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- what is the current community participation
  - what is being done to gather a critical number of participants?
  - what is a critical number of participants for Canada to have an impact?
  - what are the anticipated costs
  - has some consensus (not necessarily within Canada) been reached about the need for this project?
  - have areas of expertise been identified where the Canadian community could bring important/unique contributions?
  - what is the complementarity/overlap with other projects existing and proposed ?
  - If beyond SM physics can be probed, what is complementarity/overlap with the LHC?