

## School of Physics in Sub-Saharan Africa



### **PLAN**

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- <u>Purpose:</u> Extend & Adapt the Concept of « European School of Physics » to the african continent
  - Bring more teams to contribute to CERN programs
  - Provide high level graduate training & contacts for students in developping countries
- <u>Model:</u> Extension of the European School of Physics to Latin America (Centro Latino Americano de Fisica, <u>http://www.claf-fisica.org</u>)
- <u>Frequency:</u> Propose a Summer School every second years in a Sub-Saharan African country
- <u>Start-Up:</u> First School in South Africa, Wits U. in Johannesburg in august/september 2010
- <u>Two weeks program:</u> *Reminders of Special Relativity, Quantum Mechanics, Group Theory* **From the principles of QFT to the SM** *Subatomic Physics Applications (Instrumentation, Spin Offs) + IT*

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- <u>Standing Comittee</u> : (last meeting @ CERN, march 5th 2008)
  - John R. Ellis, CERN, TH, resp. des rel. Pays non-mbres
  - G. Steve Muanza, IPNL D0, (CPPM ATLAS)
  - Anne Marie Ferrer, ICBMS, Admin+Financ. (chargée de mission IN2P3)
  - Peter Skands, CERN, TH
  - Christine Darve, CERN, Acc. Div.
  - Ketevi A. Assamagan, BNL (ATLAS)
  - Marumi Kado, LAL (ATLAS)
  - + Elena Gonzalez Ferreiro, TH, Santiago de C., LLR
  - + Advisors:

**Organisers of CERN European and Latin American Schools of Physics** 

- Egil Lillestöl (U. of Bergen, ATLAS)
- Danielle Métral (CERN, Admin.)
- <u>Plan:</u>
  - Official Request of the CERN Directorate Support, before June 2008
  - Financial Requests from Institutional Funding Agencies & Privates Sponsors during 2<sup>nd</sup> semester 2008, year 2009 (CERN, IN2P3, UE, UNESCO?, Ministries of Foreign Affairs, of Cooperation,...)





- There's a parallel effort especially focussed on cooperation with Northern African countries (*Fairouz Malek*, Grenoble, ATLAS)
- We agreed to collaborate:
  - Alternate Thematic Physics Schools:
    - One year in Northern Africa
    - The next year in Sub-Saharan Africa
- Request for Financial Support from IN2P3



## **IV. Project Start-Up** - First Host Institution -



### University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, <u>SOUTH AFRICAN REPUBLIC</u>

- P<sup>r</sup> Elias Sideras–Haddad
  - Associate Research Officer at the National Institute called iThemba LABS
    - 200 MeV proton cyclotron + 2 Van de Graaf accelerators
  - Since 2000, chairman of:
    - Millennium Schools in Nuclear and Particle Physics and Applications
    - iThemba School on Nuclear and Particle Physics and Applications
  - Formally agrees to host the 2010 School in South Africa
- D<sup>r</sup> Simon H. Connell
  - Senior lecturer, ATLAS group leader
  - Schonland Research Centre for Nuclear Sciences
  - The NRF has funds for SA-JINR collaboration and also for cooperation in Africa (RISE)
- Collaboration w/ ATLAS-US (Columbia, BNL): grid computing?



# **IV. Project Start-Up**



# - Other Partner Countries -

### University of Cape Town, <u>SOUTH AFRICAN REPUBLIC</u>

- D<sup>r</sup> Zeblon Vilakazi
  - Director of the iThemba LABS
  - Professor at U. of Cape Town
  - Member of ALICE at CERN
- Cape Town Group:
  - P<sup>r</sup> Jean Cleymans (responsible for the SA-CERN Consortium)
  - P<sup>r</sup> R. Fearick
  - Collaboration w/ Northwestern U., Chicago
    - D<sup>r</sup> Mayda Velasco (sent a SA student  $\rightarrow$  CLAF 05)
    - P<sup>r</sup> Heidi Schellman (sent a SA student  $\rightarrow$  CLAF 07)



# IV. Project Start-Up - Other Partner Countries -



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- Université de Kinshasa
- <u>CONGO</u>: D<sup>r</sup> Bernard M'Passi Mabiala
  - Marien Ngouabi University, Brazzaville
- <u>CAMEROUN</u>: P<sup>r</sup> Moïse Kwato Njock
  - Douala University
  - Director of « Centre for Atomic Molecular Physics and Quantum Optics »
- MADAGASCAR:
  - Contact Stephan Narison (LPTA, Montpellier)
    - *iHEPMAD:* Institute of HEP, Antananarivo
    - The HEP-Madagascar Conference Series
- <u>NAMIBIA</u>:
  - check the HESS site