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Report from the EB

Spokespersons, CB chairs, Project Managers, Site manager

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1) Internal Reviews

Reiteration of the process: Project Management calls for reviews and sets up a committee, committee makes recommendations to the PM, PM reports to TB and asks for technical objections, and finally reports to the CB.

2) Visit of the observatory by an artist (Shane Finan)

Shane Finan (Trinity College Dublin) asked to visit the observatory in September/October. He is interested in the research as an artist.

3) MARTA project

Mario intends to install a hexagon of RPC and is already building more RPCs without notifying the PM. We informed him that any of such plans need to be presented to the TB and be approved by the CB.



4) FOPAA

Transition from FOPAA to AHUEKNA may take longer than expected because of some open issues.

5) Operation Costs

We are operating with a reduced Budget this year: 1.69 MUSD instead of 1.96 MUSD. Salary has however increase more strongly than expected at almost no change in exchange rate ⇒ **need to be very careful with expenditures. See Ingo's report.**

6) Tank naming

Following some discussions, we shall rename tank „Disneyland“ to „Yann“.

We also suggest to name **Kathy Turner just „KT“**

We remind the collaboration that tank names should not be used in publications. Also, there is a tank already named JW Cronin and another one Jim & Carol. That information was passed on to Carol by Alan.



7) SD-Shifts

Following the suggestion of the monitoring task, we shall ask FD shifters to look into the SD-shift tools during their shifts and send comments/suggestions to Julian and Corinne.

Later, we shall install general (remote) SD-shifts.

8) Software, central services

Manpower problems are encountered on software/firmware development, with CDAS, and similarly with comms: often only 1 or 2 experts left.

The collaboration needs to be aware of this and **we urge IReps to help.**

9) AugerPrime

- We need to write a **report to the STAC** on a timescale of 1-2 months
- AHUEKNA account may be used to pool money for specific procurements
- **Agreement has been signed with Hamamatsu** for SPMT procurements and is to be used by everyone and, but only after getting in contact with the PM. Contract has only 2 yrs duration after first order.



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11) EDMS

Patrick has set up a new EDMS structure at CERN, where all Auger and AugerPrime technical documentation is to be stored. Easy to access by new interface.

Question whether public or non-public: we will restrict it to Auger members (requires registration at CERN as RE3-member). Open access only until specific reviews are finished. Patrick will be the new manager of EDMS. (See also Patrick's report to TB last night.)

12) Landowner Issues

Landowner issues (at the NW periphery): may start to take out black tanks there.