

Fourth Meeting of the LSC Scientific Committee  
April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
University of Zaragoza

## Summary and Conclusions

The committee met to receive a status report from the Director on the status of the contractual arrangements to repair the Laboratory, and hear updated presentations of the approved experiments (EXP-01-2008, EXP-02-2008, EXP-03-2008, EXP-04-2008, EXP-05-2008) of the Expressions of Interest (EoI-02-2005, LoI-10-2009, EoI-11-2009, EoI-12-2009). The committee met in la Facultad de Ciencias at the University of Zaragoza.

The director started with an update on the status of the contractual arrangements between the Zaragoza University and the Companies to repair the Laboratory: the signature of the final contract was foreseen for 11 April 2009; according to the University, the civil works should be completed in nine months. The “strategic plan” of LSC for the period 2010-2013 was submitted, as requested by the Ministry, by the end of 2008 and discussed with the appointed international panel on 13 January 2009. The plan includes, in particular, the proposal to expand the capacities of the laboratory using the residual budget available. The proposed expansion includes the refurbishment and integration of the old Zaragoza laboratories (pending the approval by the University), the construction of a new hall dedicated to nuclear astrophysics, the installation of geologic facilities and investments in experiments. The last proposal was presented by the director also to the Consortium governing body, the Consejo Rector on 17 December 2008. After a discussion the Consejo concluded "to charge the director to prepare in accordance with the Scientific Committee a proposal defining on general grounds the rules for an economic support of LSC to the projects". Consequently, the director proposed to the Scientific Committee to discuss the following rules:

*“The LSC can exceptionally contribute to approved experiments proposed by external collaborations under the following conditions.*

*The investment should be for inventory goods.*

*The Scientific Committee of the LSC should analyze the request and establish in a specific report the high scientific interest of the proposal.*

*The goods will become part of the LSC estate and will be given in use to the experiment for a definite period of time.”*

The Committee discussed and approved without modifications the rules for an economic support of LSC to the projects, as presented by the director

The Committee will celebrate its 5<sup>th</sup> meeting on October 22-23 2009

NB. The updated rules of the LSC for the Expressions of Interest, letters of Intent and Experimental proposals are to be found at the url: <http://www.lsc-canfranc.es/pagina-224/>