

SMARTHEP Network introduction

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The SMARTHEP network


Website: www.smarthep.org

International network of physicists and companies for **real-time data analysis**

Main challenge tackled: **how to take decisions, fast and efficiently**

- Physicists need to decide what data to permanently record starting from 40 million collision events/second, *as soon as the collision event occurs*
- Companies need to take decisions fast based on large datasets in the context of e.g. traffic, self-driving cars, medical diagnosis, financial transactions

Tools:

- Hardware (FPGA, GPU) and software algorithms
 - Machine learning to enable fast decisions
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SMARTHEP network composition

- Physicists working at the Large Hadron Collider
 - 10 European universities (3 ERC grantees)
 - 2 North American universities
 - LHC experiments ALICE, ATLAS, CMS, and LHCb represented
- Companies from Sweden, Germany, France, Italy, Switzerland
 - Traffic control and self-driving cars
 - Medical diagnosis
 - Finance and investment
 - Instrumentation



How to collaborate with SMARTHEP

- First step for SMARTHEP network: Apply for an **European Training Network grant from the European Union**
 - [Horizon2020 funding program](#) within Marie Curie International Training Networks
 - Application is being written, due early January 2018
- Where academic organization/industries can participate:
 - **Training:** provide a course or a school related to the objectives of the network
 - Best fit: GPU and/or FPGA programming
 - Reimbursement is possible, in case grant is awarded
 - **Partner:** host a PhD student from one of the universities for up to 9 months
 - Needed: letter of commitment (example will be provided)
 - Agreements on intellectual property for *background* and *results*
 - **Beneficiary:** host a graduate student (ESR) for 3 years, PhD awarded by institute in network
 - Key points: employment, intellectual property

Today's meeting

- Round table to define ESR projects and secondments
 - Structure: ~5' per participant, on the following points
 - What is the expertise of the participant (+ other useful details)
 - Also: how many projects can/will it host, and of which type (ESR/secondment)
 - What skills are needed for the ESR (in view of *recruitment*)
 - Description of the projects
 - What skills will the ESR get from the project (*training value*)
- Intellectual Property (IP) discussion
- A look at this year's application
 - Deadline: January 17th
 - Plan: have a first draft by December 1st
 - Anything you'd like to help with/take responsibility for?
 - We will identify people and ask in the next week or so

