

Minutes of the IB Meeting in Cracow, April 13, 2010

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The following Issues have been discussed and concluded:

- Presence at Conferences: FCAL talks should be offered to major conferences and workshops. Clearly, this also means that more people should visit conferences. For the moment it was agreed to send abstracts to ICHEP in Paris, July 22-28. Deadline for abstracts is May 15. possible topics are: 'highlights of forward calorimeter R&D' and 'FCAL ASIC prototype performance'. first gives an overview on the design optimisation for forward calorimeters, and the second the results from the prototype ASIC measurements. possible candidates to talk: Iftach and Szymon.
- AIDA: The improvement is a great success for us, and in the next weeks the groups involved should specify a work- and budget plan to make sure the necessary support will be given by the home labs. Then we may discuss and agree on a more specific work plan in the next meeting. Possible sources and prices of tungsten will be investigated.
- Engineering and Software Support: There is a lack of support in mechanics design at DESY, and the Mokka maintenance for BeamCal is not covered by somebody who will stay longer with us. In case a mechanics engineer from one of the labs would work at DESY for some time support could be given. For Mokka maintenance a person permanent in one of the labs should be found.
- Test-beam: For the moment the date of the test-beam, July 2010, will be kept. To learn how to operate the ZEUS telescope several students should visit Hamburg before, possibly in May. Ingrid Gregor will be asked for an appropriate time-slot to introduce people to the hardware and software.

- Publication: Cornelia emphasized the importance to submit the publication soon. A prerequisite is to finish the figures still missing or to be updated.
- Dates The next FCAL workshop will be together with the polarisation people in Tel Aviv, Oct. 3-6, the next linear collider workshop will be at CERN, Oct 18-22.

The excellent organisation of the Meeting in Cracow was acknowledged.

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