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# Industry – Academia Collaboration

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#### Overview

- Career perspectives for physicists;
- Classic PhD training schemes;
- DITANET
  - Training program, events, secondments
  - Industry impact
  - R&D examples
- The future: oPAC, LA³NET

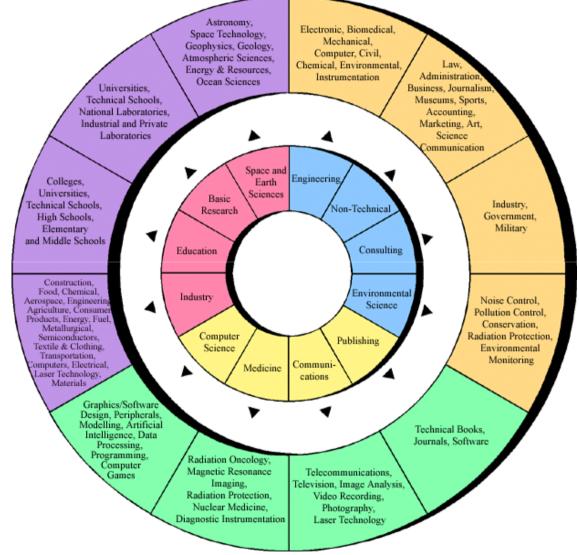






Physics – an interdisciplinary field

- MSc standard;
- PhD part of training in most countries;
- Broad skills;
- Blue sky research vs. applied physics.

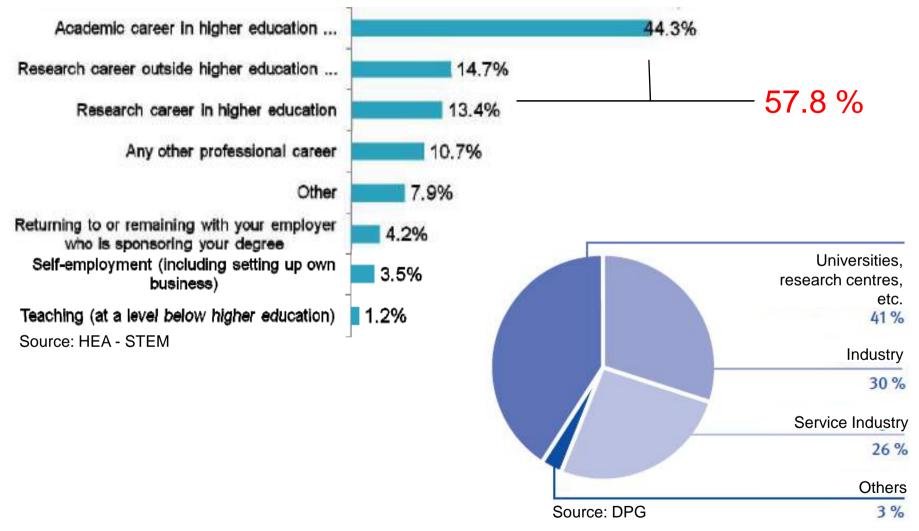








# Career – Aspirations and Reality









# Classic PhD training in Europe

- Focus on academic career path;
- Scientific papers as key quality indicator;
- Training through (often blue sky) research;
- Very little training in complementary skills –
   researchers often need to be (re)trained on the job;
- Students or researchers?

**Evolution**: Initial training networks (ITNs)







#### Marie Curie ITNs

- Introduced in EU Framework Program 7 4.8 B€!
- 1996 2010: 50,000 Marie Curie researchers;
- Provides support for early career and experienced researchers (young Postdocs);

#### Goals

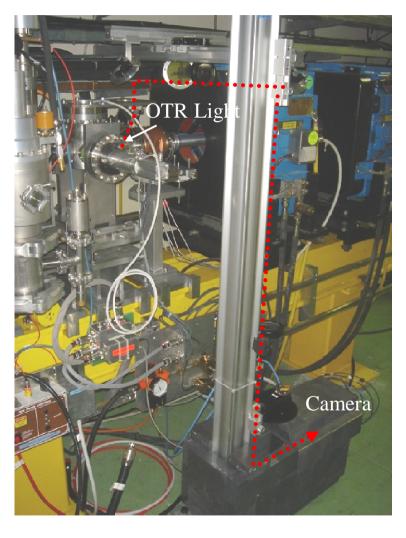
- Improve employability of researchers;
- Better training through demonstrated international mobility;
- Maintain Europe's leadership position in R&D.







# A typical Accelerator Diagnostics



- Material sciences
- Thermodynamics
- Electro-Magnetism
- Optics
- Mechanics
- Electronics
- Nuclear Physics
- ...



Multi-disciplinary field!







# Accelerator Beam Diagnostics



Novel <u>DI</u>agnostic <u>Techniques for future particle <u>A</u>ccelerators:
 A Marie Curie Initial Training <u>NET</u>work 

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#### What is DITANET?

- Largest-ever EU funded training network in beam instrumentation and diagnostics (4.2 M€);
- Aim: Training of early stage researchers (18 ESRs, 3 ERs)
- Gives industry an important role;
- Presently 32 partners (and growing...)
- Recognised importance of beam diagnostics at European level!

(only 68 from 905 selected - with 11 in physics)

C.P. Welsch, Proc. BIW, IPAC 2011







## The DITANET Consortium

#### **Beneficiary Partners**





















#### **Associated Partners**

























Universities:Research Centers:Industry = 1:1:1







# **Adjunct Partners**

Part of a long term strategy – DITANET is growing



























# Researcher Training Internationally



2 Diagnostics **School**Stockholm, Sweden – March
Indico: 112220

> 80 participants and lecturers



8 Topical Workshops

CI, France, Slovenia, Seville, Hamburg

Indico: 145063, 145066, 145070, 135829,

154172

~ 40 participants each



Diagnostics **Conference** and **Symposium** *Seville*, *Spain – CNA* 

Indico: 135831

Proceedings + PRST-AB special edition







# 2<sup>nd</sup> DITANET School, March 2010

#### Complementary Skills

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30		Project	Working Within	Time	Scientific Writing
9:30		Management I  Fistral: Paul  Lyden	an International Network Guided Discussion	Management Ruth Bass	ThinkWrite: Pete Moore
9:30 10:30		Lyden	Building the Bridge to the Industry Sector		
			Carsten Welsch + speakers		
11:00		Presentation	Project	Problem Solving	Scientific Writing
12:00		Skills II	Management II	Techniques	ThinkWrite: Pete
		Carsten Welsch	Fistral: Paul Lyden	Ruth Bass	Moore Moore
12:00				Self	Conclusion
13:00				Management Ruth Bass	Carsten Welsch
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14:00 15:00 15:00 16:00	Welcome/Introduction of participants Carsten Welsch	Small groups: Presentation Skills Individual assessment of participants	Visit to CI / Daresbury	General Patent Issues and Intellectual Property Right	
		through 5 min. short talks		Marks-Clerk: Peter Roberts	
16:30	Presentation Skills I			Work/Life	
17:30	Carsten Welsch			Balance	
				Ruth Bass	









# Supporting Cross-sector Dialogue

- Professional links across country and disciplinary borders vital for researcher careers;
- Encouraging knowledge exchange through organisation of schools, workshops and conferences;
- Important part: Industry contribution.









# Key Ingredients to Success

- Dedicated Industry sessions in training schools;
- Insight into project management, robust financial planning, scientific writing skills, time and self management etc

Important to understand differences between entrepreneurial and university key success indicators









#### Feedback

"The workshop was not only useful but exciting!"

"...[it] covered the most important topics for a phD student."







#### Secondments

- Part of every R&D projects;
- Duration: 2 weeks several months;
- Ensures cross-sector experience;
- Helps understanding different needs and success criteria;
- Gives access to important infrastructures/tools;

Adds value to training!









#### **GSI:** Tune measurements

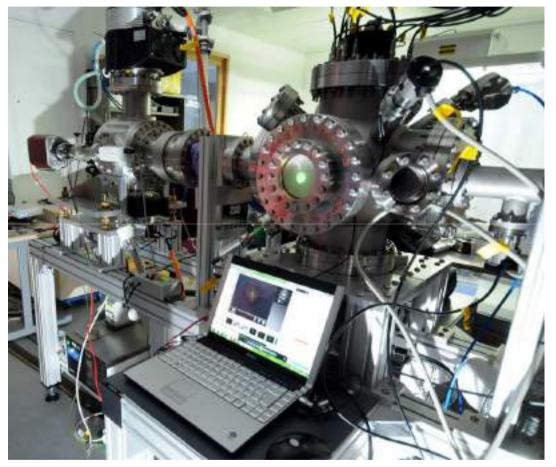
- Secondments introduced Instrumentation
   Technologies to DITANET;
- Instrumentation Technologies became involved in DITANET Topical Workshops;
- Contributed to the network's Symposium;
- Became a beneficiary partner in oPAC







#### Liverpool: Gas jet beam profile monitor



M. Putignano, et al Hyperfine Interact. (2009)

M. Putignano, et al., Nucl. Instr. Meth. A (2011), Proc. IPAC, etc.

- Proof-of-principle demonstrator was DITANET (PhD) project;
- Step into commercialization: RSE/STFC fellowship award / DITACom;
- Medical accelerators, light sources, etc.







## New initiatives – 1.10.2011



- Laser Applications for Accelerators – A Marie Curie Network
  - 17 ESRs
  - 23 PartnerInstitutions
  - 4.6 M€











## And its sister - 1.12.2011



- Optimization of Particle <u>Accelerators</u>
  - 22 ESRs
  - 22 Partner Institutions
  - 6 M€











# Bringing the community together

















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# Summary

- Close collaboration between academia and industry crucial for research and training;
- DITANET, oPAC and LA<sup>3</sup>NET projects introduced new training concepts with industry partnership as key aspect;
- Event organisation (such as this workshop) as ideal way for knowledge transfer;
- Many opportunities at the horizon join in !







#### Further information

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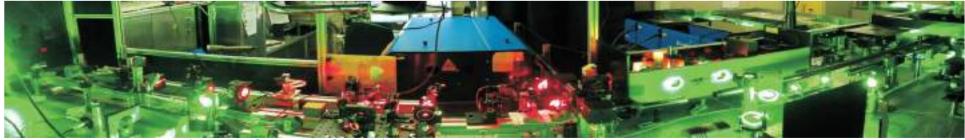
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Panorama photograph of the RILIS setup at CERN (image courtesy V. Fedosseev).



