JENNIFER proto-Council meeting

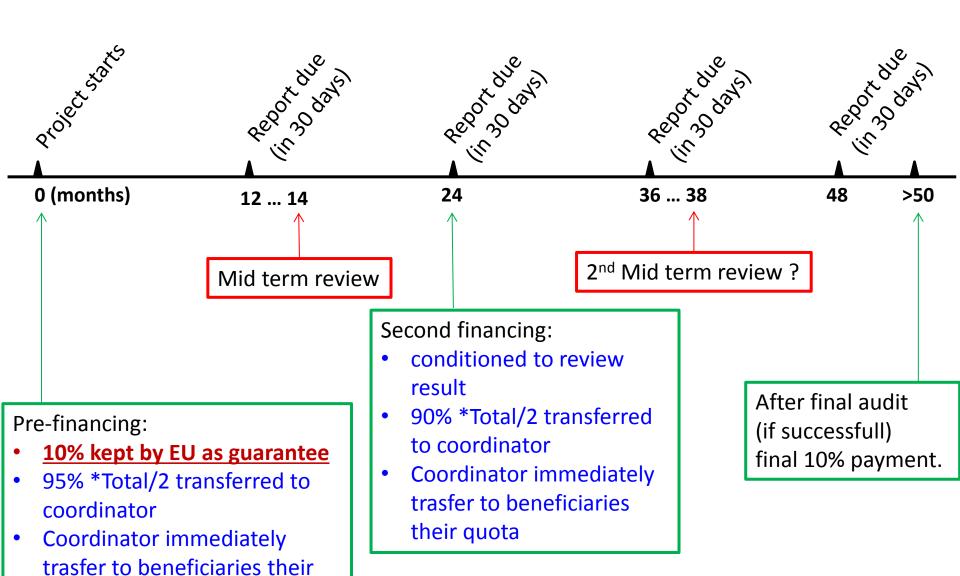
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Japan and Europe Network for Neutrino and
Intensity Frontier Experimental Research

Timeline of the project



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Networking costs

A preliminary evaluation has been circulated:

1. Assuming all 4 yearly general meetings to be held in Europe:

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total networking: 183400 € (8% of total budget)

118400 € (leaving up to groups participation to GM)
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2. Assuming 2 GM in Europe and 2 in Japan:

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total networking: 139300 € (6% of total budget)

106800 € (leaving up to groups participation to GM)
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Networking costs details

Yearly Consortium Workshop

a) In Europe

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Participation: 20 beneficiaries representatives + 5 EC members assume 3 days (2 nights): 300 flight+200 hotel+150 meals = 650 € * 25= 16250 € May decide to leave this cost up to single institutions!
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Invitation of 4 japanese collegues (4 days+ 4 nights)
1000 flight+ 400 hotel + 300 meals = 1700 x 4 = 6800 €
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Organization: 6 coffee breaks 1800 € + 2000 € other costs.

May put a fee and move this cost on the individual groups
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b) In Japan: all european should participate during a secondment period. assume no participation cost? minimal support for japanese moving to KEK? organization cost assumed similar

Networking costs details

Outreach event and Industries event

(joined to GMs when is Europe, otherwise organized independently)

Assume 3000 € for outreach and 4000 € for industries

Graduate Student school (assume only 1 every 2 years):
Giessen castle cost 100 €/day at full board (all included)
Assume 20 students + 5 lecturers for 6 days: 15000 €!
Opening to external groups would require to ask them to pay at least 50% more then required (2 external students cover the cost of 1 internal)?

B2TIP workshops at KEK will be organized anyway (no cost!)
But we should invite some theorists (who would not sum up to 1 month secondment in 4 year, or just are external to JENNIFER):
assume 5 people: 1000 flight + 500 stay= 1500€ x 5= 7500 €

<u>Website and DB:</u> I am trying to find people to take care of it inside INFN groups. Otherwise need to buy somethinf on the market.

cost sharing proposal

We have to make some key choices:

- Hold 2 GMs in Japan or not ?
- Participation costs up to groups or via common fund?
- Open student school to outside-JENNIFER groups ?

Then we can define the size of a Common Fund, to be managed by the EC:

Common Fund is subtracted from overall budget and person-month cost is re-

defined accordingly: $PM_{eff} = PM - CF/N_{PM}$

May be wise to overestimate CF, and maybe re-distribute it between us on a yearly basis if we do not spend it.

First order corrections:

- Smaller groups (we must define a budget threshold) are allowed to reduce participation to yearly workshops (2 our of 4?)
- Reduced CF contribution can be agreed for smaller groups
- Industrial partners should be treated differently and contribute in kind more than in budget

Secondments' management

Accurate control and monitoring requires 2 levels:

Work Program level

The WP coordinator (helped by task managers) manages the WP secondments:

- Keeps up to date an internal secnmdts DB on protected Google Spreadsheet
- Contacts sending institution leader 1 month before each secondmt starts and asks confirmation. Require submission of the authorization online form by the person who is going to be seconded (including staff-proving document scan).
- Require reporting documentation at secndmts end.
- Keeps in contact with JENNIFER coordinator to agree about any plan change.

Project level

The JENNIFER coordinator and the administrative staff:

- Keep up to date the official secondment DB on EU web platform
- Provide an internal «secondments manual» and appropriate web tools for easy communication and reporting
- > Formally authorize the start of each secondment
- Collects both digitalized and paper copy of all secondments documentation for use in EU audit procedures
- discuss and agrees with PO any change in secondment plan

New Secondments plan

Need to be defined as soon as possible!

We have to appoint WP coordinators now.

I will meet with our project officer on january 21° and will discuss also about secondments changes implementation

Consortium Agreement

It is expected (even though not explicitly required) that beneficiaries and partners do sign an internal regulation document.

All management and budget issues discussed here should be agreed and written in such a document.

Also other issues are important and may cause problems if not properly addressed (Intellectual property rights, publications, use of JENNIFER name and logo....)

A very useful Consortium Agreement prototype is available at DESCA web site http://www.desca-2020.eu/ Please have a look: I want to start from there.

The role of japanese partners

It is important to involve them, as far as possible in all consortium activities:

- They host secondments and collaborate with activity of the seconded personnel
- They provide administrative and technical support to seconded personnel
- They certify the stay of the personnel in their laboratories and joined experimental sites during the secondment
- They participate to each JENNIFER annual workshop, invited and payed by the consortium
- They collaborate with the international Masterclasses extension to Bellell and T2K physics, exploring a possible involvement of japanese schools
- They have to sign the Consortium Agreement, i.e. their role must be well defined and written down.

Actions to be taken

Appoint WP coordinators

Define Common Fund

I will circulate a Consortium Agreement draft before end of january, aiming to sign it before and of february

Define in details the new secondment plan

Start working to first JENNIFER Consortium general meeting in Cracow: april 30th - May 2nd 2015

..... Including outreach and industries event