



## **RESEARCH POLICY**

### **BAD HONNEF: THE 2020 EUROPEAN PARTICLE PHYSICS STRATEGY**

The working session on the 2020 European Strategy for Particle Physics, which took place in Bad Honnef, Germany, from 21 to 25 January, has concluded. It was a week of crucial discussion for the current process of defining the future of particle physics after the LHC. The meeting was convened by the European Strategy Group (ESG), which comprises a scientific delegate from each of the CERN member States and associated member States, directors and representatives of the main European laboratories and organisations involved in particle physics or related fields, and other international experts. At present, Europe, through CERN and the community engaged in this field, holds worldwide leadership, both in science and technology, which can be maintained by focusing on new ambitious projects. The process, which began in September 2017, will conclude in May of this year with a conference in Budapest, Hungary. During this conference, the priorities and recommendations, which will be identified and formalized in a document by the scientific community after having been discussed by the CERN Council, will be officially accepted. ■