

Meeting of Funding Agencies to discuss the status and funding prospects for a linear collider of 0.5 to 1TeV (FALC). Seventh meeting held in Fermilab on 4 November 2005

1. The seventh meeting of representatives from CERN (President of Council and DG), Canada (NRC), France (CNRS), Germany (BMBF), Italy (INFN), Japan (MEXT), Korea (MOST), UK (PPARC) and the US (DOE) was held in Fermilab on 4 November 2005.
2. The Group received a report from Professor Barish on the status of the Global Design Effort and congratulated him on progress to date.
3. The Group agreed that a Common Fund should be established to fund the administrative support required for the GDE ‘Phase-1’, with the costs to be funded equally by the three regions. The Group agreed that the use of this method of funding would not be used to prejudge the basis of any future agreements. It should only be applicable for the duration of this Common fund MOU for ‘Phase-1’. This Common Fund would be administered by Fermilab and be the subject of a MOU to be agreed by the FALC Resources Group.
4. The Group discussed the need to minimize duplication of reporting and increase communication between the current project structure and FALC. The Chairs of ICFA and ILCSC were invited to attend future meetings of the Group and the Chair of ILCSC was invited to attend future meetings of the FALC Resources Group.
5. It was agreed that a subgroup, consisting of members of FALC from all three regions, would consider the future mandate of FALC, its composition, the relationship with existing bodies required as the project moved to a more formal governance structure and mechanisms by which funds could be made available both before and after a site decision.
6. It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on 22 May 2006 in Rome.

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