Annex 1

Proposal for the Summer Event

2015

SISSA Club would like to propose the following event for this summer, that consists in three main parts:

- last part of SISSIADI
- students exhibitions
- summer party

The main idea is to create an event, that will take place in SISSA garden at the beginning of July, that will bring together many SISSA people as it’s possible (professor and administrative staffs included!) in order to reinforce the sense of our community.

For we think it is a good idea to organize an event that is more than a simple party, but that comprise the active participation of SISSA people and will hopefully become a regular social event on your year schedule!

In this perspective we propose to join the Summer Party with two novelties: the SISSIADI and the students exhibitions.

The first ones are tournaments of different sports (volleyball, basket, ‘calcetto’, cricket(?), ping pong, ‘garden games’) among areas organized by SISSA Club that will take place in the month on June and will have their last part (ping pong, ‘garden games’ and award ceremony) in the first part of the event.

Students exhibitions are, what we really like to call and consider as, gifts that some SISSA persons decide to donate to the community: theater, dance and music exhibition.

The last part of the event will consist on the summer party, i.e. music (dj and live), dance with food and drinks.
We propose as theme: Prom dance party! (dress code not mandatory!)
**Tentative program**

**Day:** Friday (mandatory!), July the 3rd  

**Starting time:** around 5pm  

**Ending time:** around midnight

A possible schedule would be the following:

- 5pm – 7pm: ping pong final matches  
  garden games
- 7pm-7.30pm: theater exhibition
- 7:30pm-8pm: dance exhibition
- 8pm-9pm: music exhibition
- 9pm-11pm: music (live and dj) and dance
- 11pm-midnight: soft music and closure

**Food and drink**

- finger food (like chips) - always present  
- pasta, rise - from around 8pm  
- spritz, beer, wine - always present  
- some super alcolic and cocktails - from around 10pm
Costs

**Warning:** these are estimated costs!

Estimated persons: 200/250

**SIAE:** 400 € (not confirmed!)

**Music:** material (equipments, lights) - mixing: 100 €
DJ: 100 €

**Food:** pasta/rise: 650 € (200g between pasta/rise per person)
chips and other finger food: 100 €

**Drinks:**
- spritz: 50 liter -> 200 €
- beer: 100 liter -> 250 €
- wine: 50 liter -> 100 €
- non alcolic drinks: 100 €

the costs of the super alcolic and cocktails will be covered by the payment we wil ask for them (for cocktail we mean that ones that are simple to do, like rum&cola, vodka-lemon,...)

**Other:** material for the ‘gardern games’ + : 100 €

**TOTAL:** 2100 €

**Funds:** 1400 € - usual SISSA funds for the party
500 € - SISSA Club
? ask to SISSA for an additional contribution
? cover some of the costs with the payment we ask for the super alcolics
Progress Report evaluation

Date: ...........................................
PhD Course: ...........................................
Supervisor: ...........................................
Student: ...........................................

Please circle one: PASSED / NOT PASSED

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Annex 3

Il Consiglio degli Studenti

Trieste, .. Marzo 2015

Alla cortese attenzione ………………

Oggetto: Introduzione scheda di valutazione Progress report

Gentili,

in seguito alle equivoci valutazioni dei Progress report avvenute negli scorsi anni, vi proponiamo di adottare una scheda di giudizio unica tra tutte le Aree. Nella scheda (in allegato) si richiede di evidenziare se l’allievo ha superato l’esame e un commento sulla prova sostenuta. Vi consigliamo inoltre, di consegnarla agli studenti entro una settimana dallo svolgimento del Progress report. L’aggiunta di ulteriori documenti valutativi, anche preesistenti, sarà benvenuta.

Cordiali saluti,

Il Consiglio degli Studenti
QUESTION 1

Have you taken some other PhD entrance exams beside the one you have been admitted into?

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- **AP**: None
- **APP**: None
- **CM**: None
- **SBP**: None
- **SP**: None
- **TPP**: None
- **MAMA**: None
- **GMP**: None
- **CNS**: None
- **FSG**: None
- **NB**: None

# of answers collected from each course

![Pie chart showing the distribution of responses from each course.](chart.png)
QUESTION 2

What drove you to SISSA?

Fig 2a – Total

1 - Institution
2 - Professors
3 - PhD course

Fig 2b - Physics

Fig 2c - Mathematics

Fig 2d - Neuroscience

QUESTION 3

Are you interested in a greater interaction with other PhD courses/scientific areas?

72%

AP 5 APP 8 CM 12 SBP 13 SP 12

TPP 8 MAMA 10 GMP 10 CNS 19 FSG 13

NB 16

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QUESTIONS 4-5

Is your supervisor a faculty of a different PhD course than yours?

Do you collaborate with someone (professor, researchers, postdoc or student) from a different PhD course than yours?
Do you think that merging some PhD course could be an improvement for your education and training?

**Fig. 3a – Total**
- **YES**: 42%
- **NO**: 50%
- **Maybe**: 8%

**Fig 3b - Physics**
- **YES**: 31%
- **NO**: 57%
- **Maybe**: 12%

**Fig 3c - Mathematics**
- **YES**: 41%
- **NO**: 54%
- **Maybe**: 5%

**Fig 3d - Neuroscience**
- **YES**: 57%
- **NO**: 38%
- **Maybe**: 5%

**Selected courses:**
External supervisors and/or collaborators > 25%

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**SOME COMMENTS ON THE LAST QUESTION**

- In Mathematics it has already been done and it worked. Possibly it will work also elsewhere
- It is better to collaborate rather than merging
- If one wants to improve its education, he/she already can attend other lectures.
- Attendance of lectures from other PhD courses should be encouraged
- We need a unified calendar of lectures throughout the different PhDs and to be put in condition of attending them
- Merging should lead to a better administration of the courses
- Merging should be done only where there are few students
- Neurobiology and genomics should be merged
- The sectors need to expand, not to merge
- Astroparticle is already a *de facto* merging of AP and TPP
- Merging the courses is not advisable, but the collaboration between them should be improved
- One should be able to pick exams from other PhD courses for his/her plan of study
- Some merging should be done, but carefully
- A wider offer of lecture courses and more flexibility in choosing them should be achieved
- The topics studied in different PhD courses are too different to merge them
- “Merging courses” sounds like a forced action, and such things are seldom well planned and conducted. If it is a well-informed and discussed decision, yes. In any case, areas of collaborations should be instituted and 'experimented' before actually merging the courses.