

Particle Physics in Germany

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Science Case

Since last RECFA visit in 2007

Technological break through

- LHC accident, repair, great start
- Experiments got finished and perform better than expected, computing Grid works

Scientific break through

- Theoretical tools for higher order calculations
- Discovery of a Higgs
Standard Model? Mass in SUSY range!
- Observation of Rare b-decays

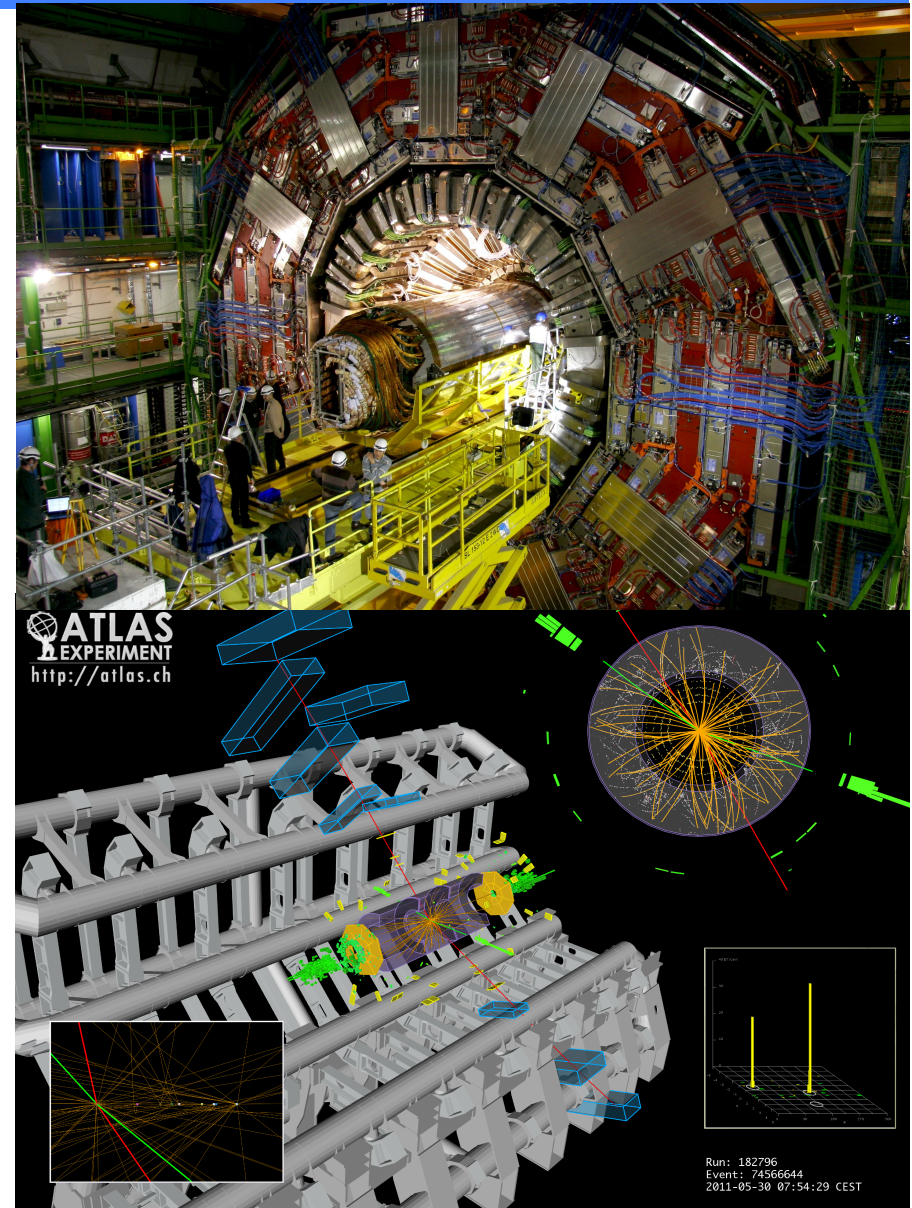
Tensions & Phase transitions

- Higgs and top mass, neutrino properties
- High precision cosmology data, LHC searches, Rare b-decays, LHC/direct/indirect DM searches
- ➔ Bridge the gap between HEP and cosmology
- ➔ Phases and phase transitions of the universe

The best is yet to come:

- LHC upgrade, BELLE-II, DM, Cosmology

Phase transition of public awareness



Organisation of Community

Astro-Particle KAT

- Dark Matter
- Neutrinos w/o accelerators
- Cosmic rays
- Gamma astronomy
- Nuclear astrophysics
- Gravitational waves

See talk by C. Weinheimer

Particle Physics KET

- LHC: ATLAS, CMS, LHCb
- Tevatron, HERA
- Belle-II
- Neutrinos @ accel, OPERA
- Fixed target experiments
- Theory, incl. math. Physics

This talk

Hadron & Nuclei KHuK

- Heavy Ion, ALICE
- FAIR experiments
- Nuclear structure

See talk by J. Wessels

Accelerators KfB

Accelerator R&D in all research areas particle, nuclear and photon science

See talk by Boine-Frankenheimer

Mandate of KET

- Elected by all scientists
- Defines research strategy and priorities
- Represents community at funding agencies
- Public outreach

Particle Physics Institutes



Particle physics with accelerators:

Universities

- 25 Universities
- Mostly both theory and experiment
- ~ 80% of scientists

Helmholtz Centres

- DESY at Hamburg and Zeuthen
- KIT, Karlsruhe
- GSI, Darmstadt

Max-Planck Society

- MPI for Physics, München
- MPI for Nuclear Physics, Heidelberg

CERN

Priorities of the German Community

Last update in December 2012

- input to European strategy process
- after LHC startup, Higgs discovery
- after proposal by the Japanese scientific community to host the ILC

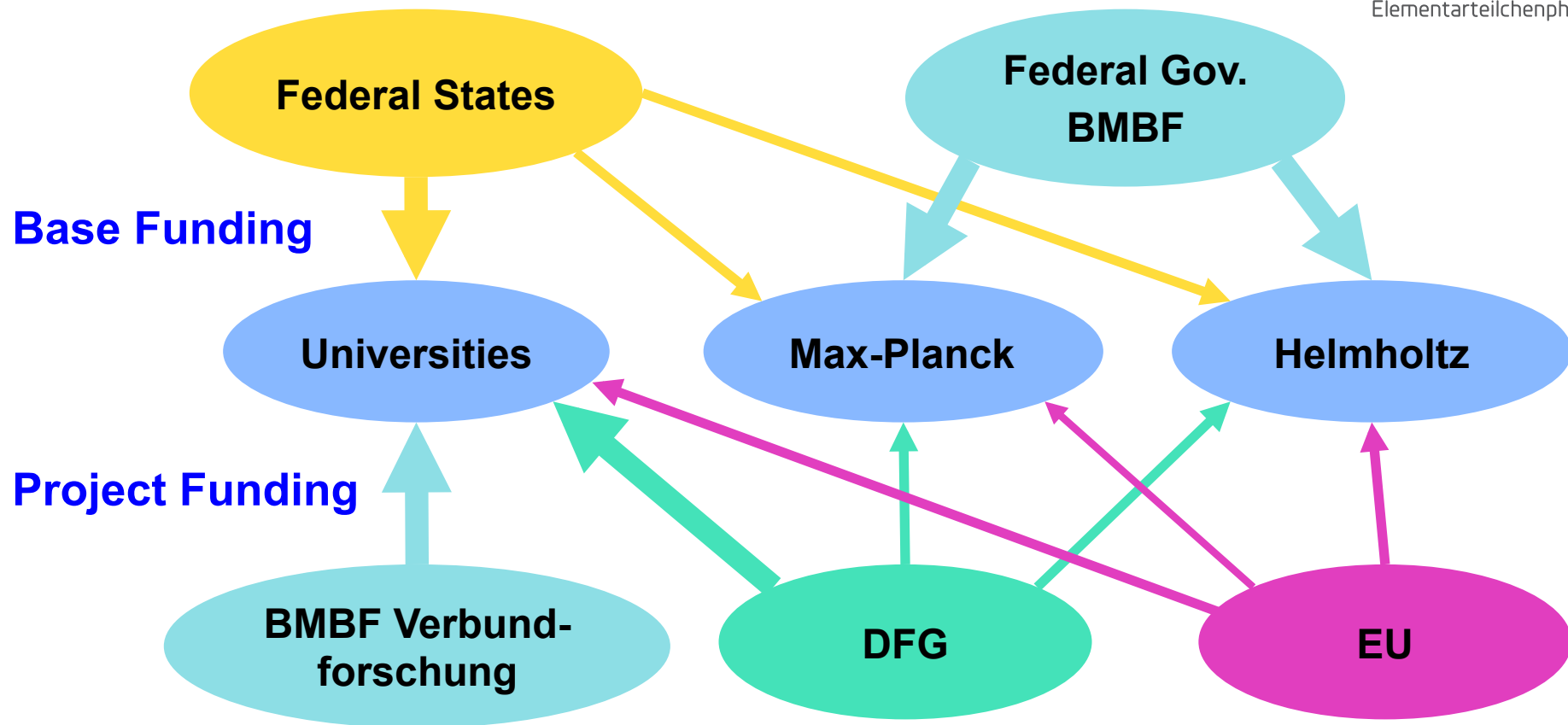


1. LHC running and optimisation are of highest priority
2. High luminosity LHC and Phase-II detector upgrade
3. Linear e⁺e⁻ collider: enthusiastic support for Japanese proposal, contribute actively to the realisation
4. Flavour physics with LHCb and Belle-II
5. Participation in further international projects, in particular neutrino physics, should be enabled
6. R&D on accelerator and detector technology
7. Theory, in particular related to experiments
8. Strong role of CERN and CERN council

Very much in line with the European Strategy for Particle Physics

- Strongly supported in Germany

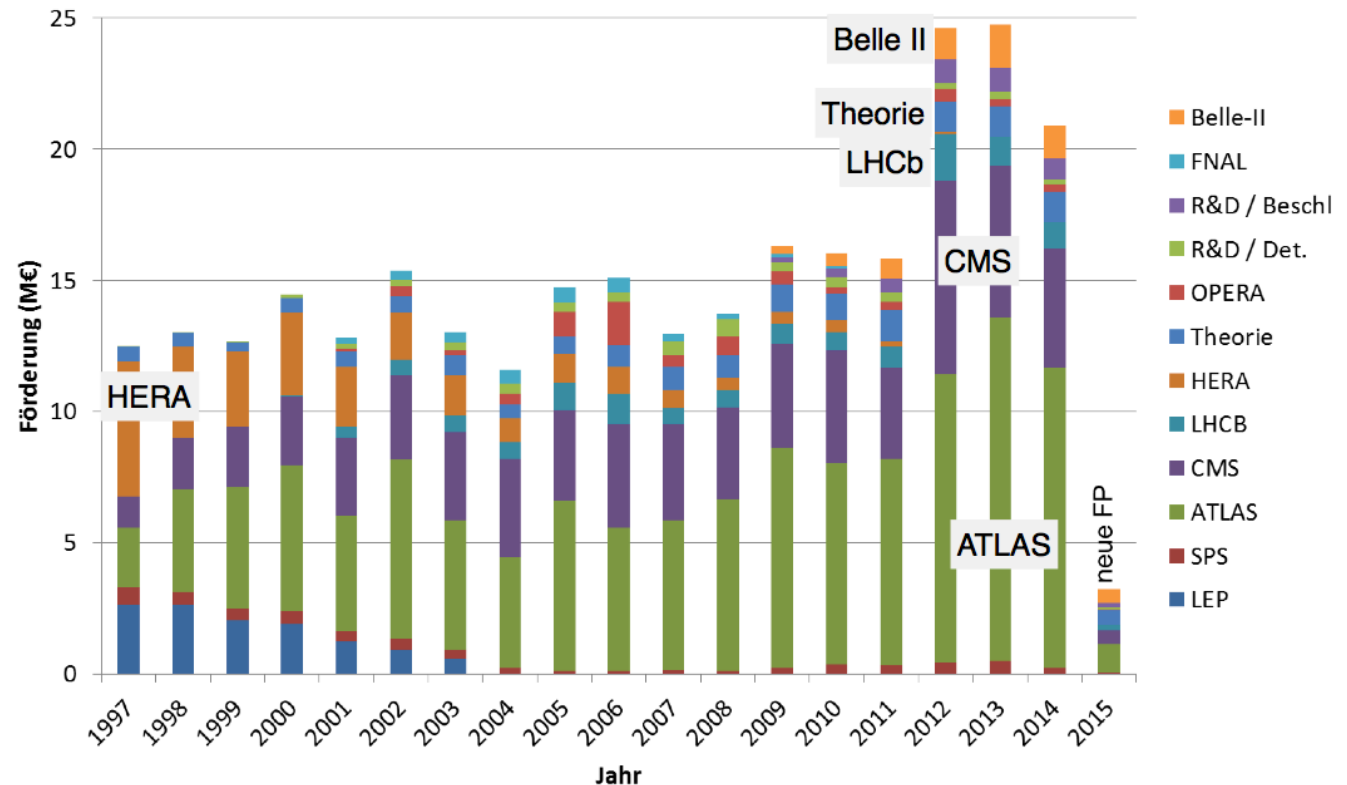
Funding



Funding by federal Government (BMBF)

Verbundforschung

- Only accelerator related part is shown



Verbundforschung

- Backbone of University participation in large infrastructure, long time scales
- Matched by University funds
- Increase visible, but less than inflation
- 20% overhead as of 2012 to cover , major effort by BMBF to add this on top is much appreciated
- Level now at 21 M€ /year to be compared to 200 M€ /year for CERN budget

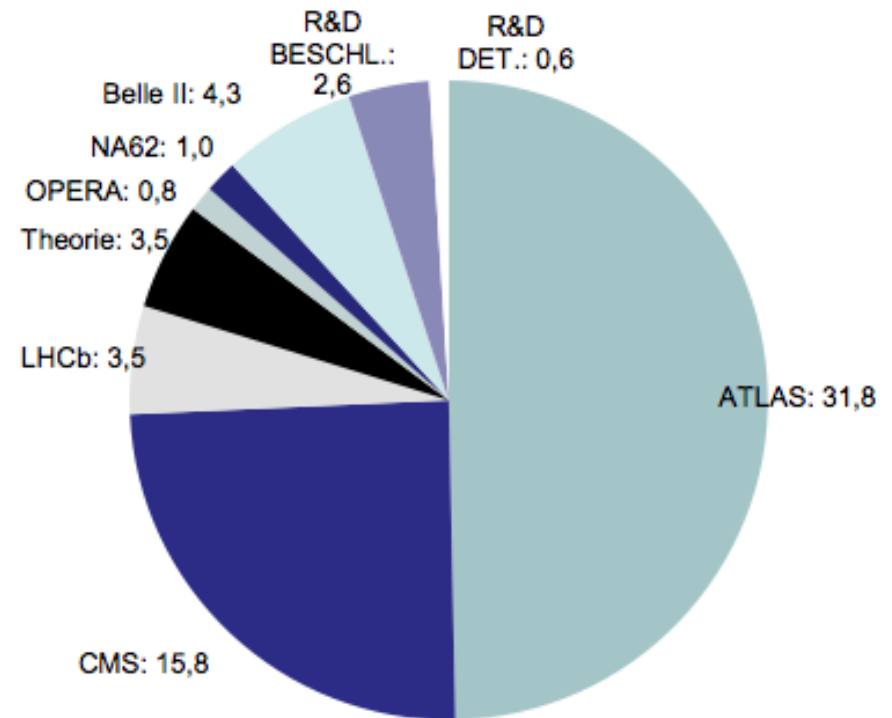
Funding

BMBF

- 20.3% of CERN budget, ~ 200 M€

BMBF Verbundforschung

- Project funding for Universities
- 3years period until 2012: 51.3 M€
- 3years period until 2015: 64.0 M€ →
- now including 20% overhead
- Research-clusters (FSP) on ATLAS, CMS
- Gentner program for technical students



Helmholtz *see talk by J. Mnich*

Alliance “Physics at the Terascale” 2 Helmholtz centres + 18 Unis + MPI

26 M€, 2007-2014 → greatly enhanced collaboration between institutes in Germany

- **Computing boards** continue to coordinate all German LHC T1,2 centres and NAF
- **Accelerator** and **detector** projects are nuclei of the new “Matter and Technology” research area in Helmholtz
- Closely entangled LHC detector projects DESY/KIT/Universities
- **Schools for students, Phds and Postdocs** on particle physics are fully continued

Funding by German Science Foundation (DFG)

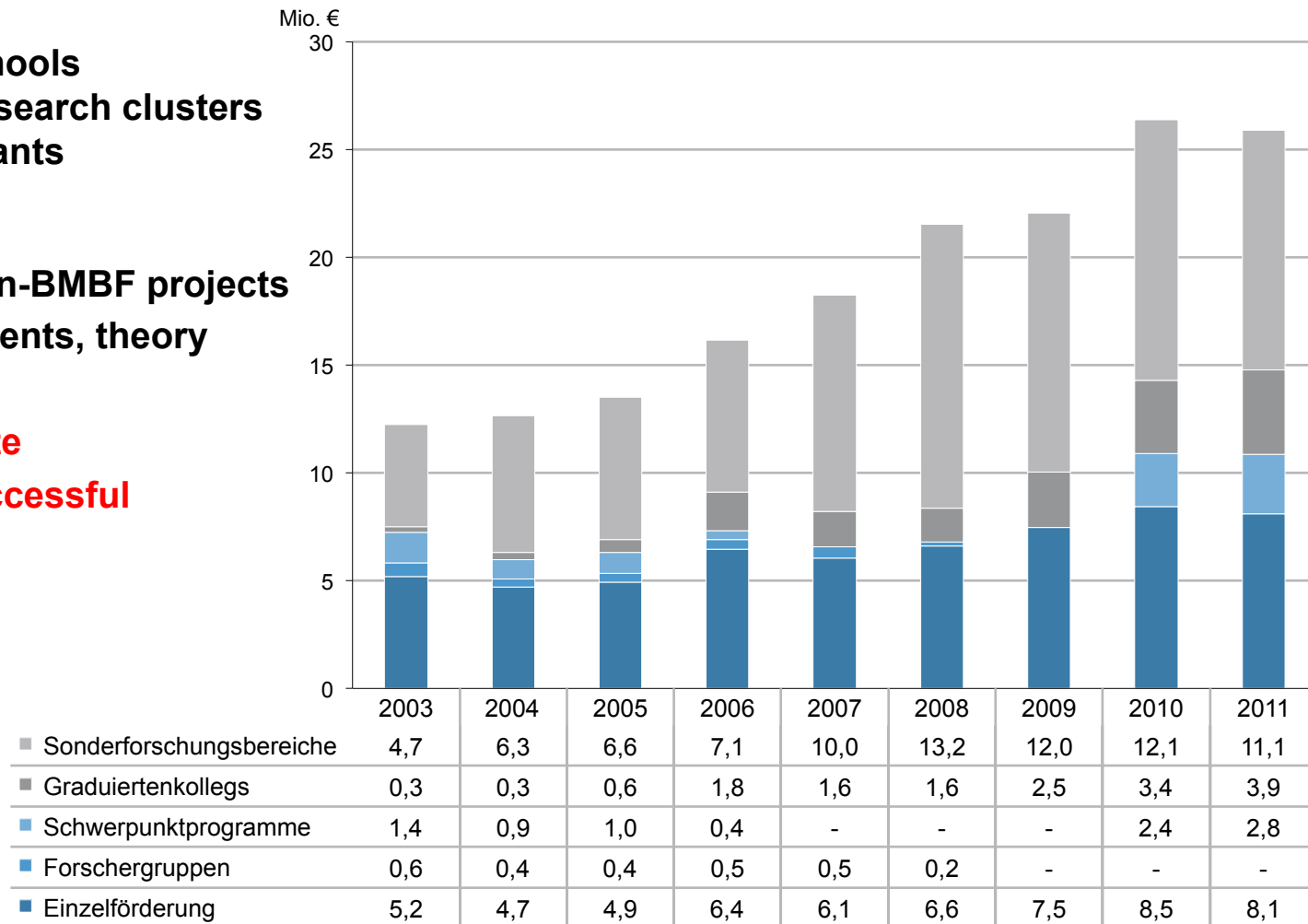


Hadron and Particle Physics

- Graduate schools
- Integrated research clusters
- Individual grants
- ...

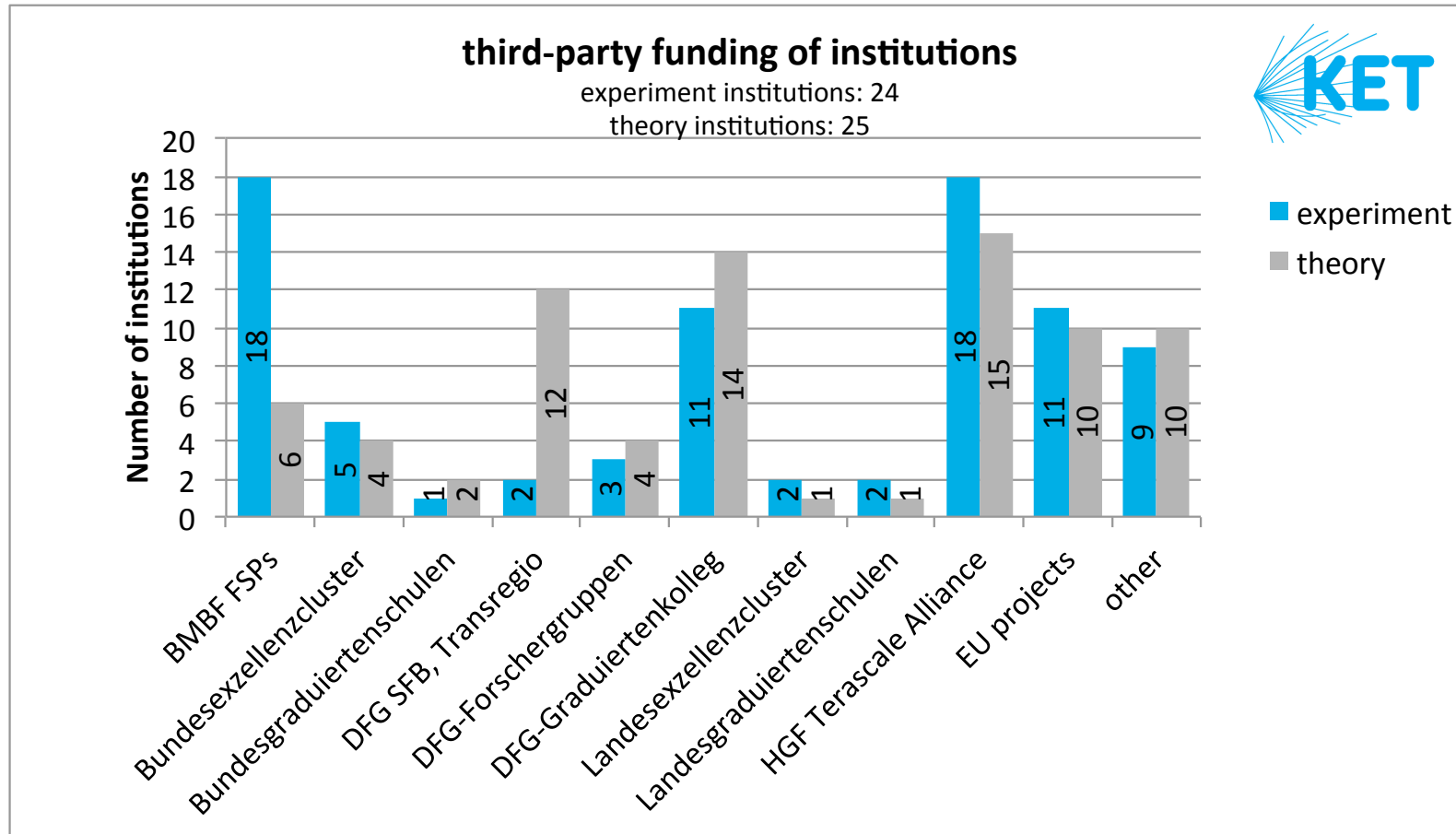
Restricted to non-BMBF projects
Smaller experiments, theory

20% success rate
Increasingly successful



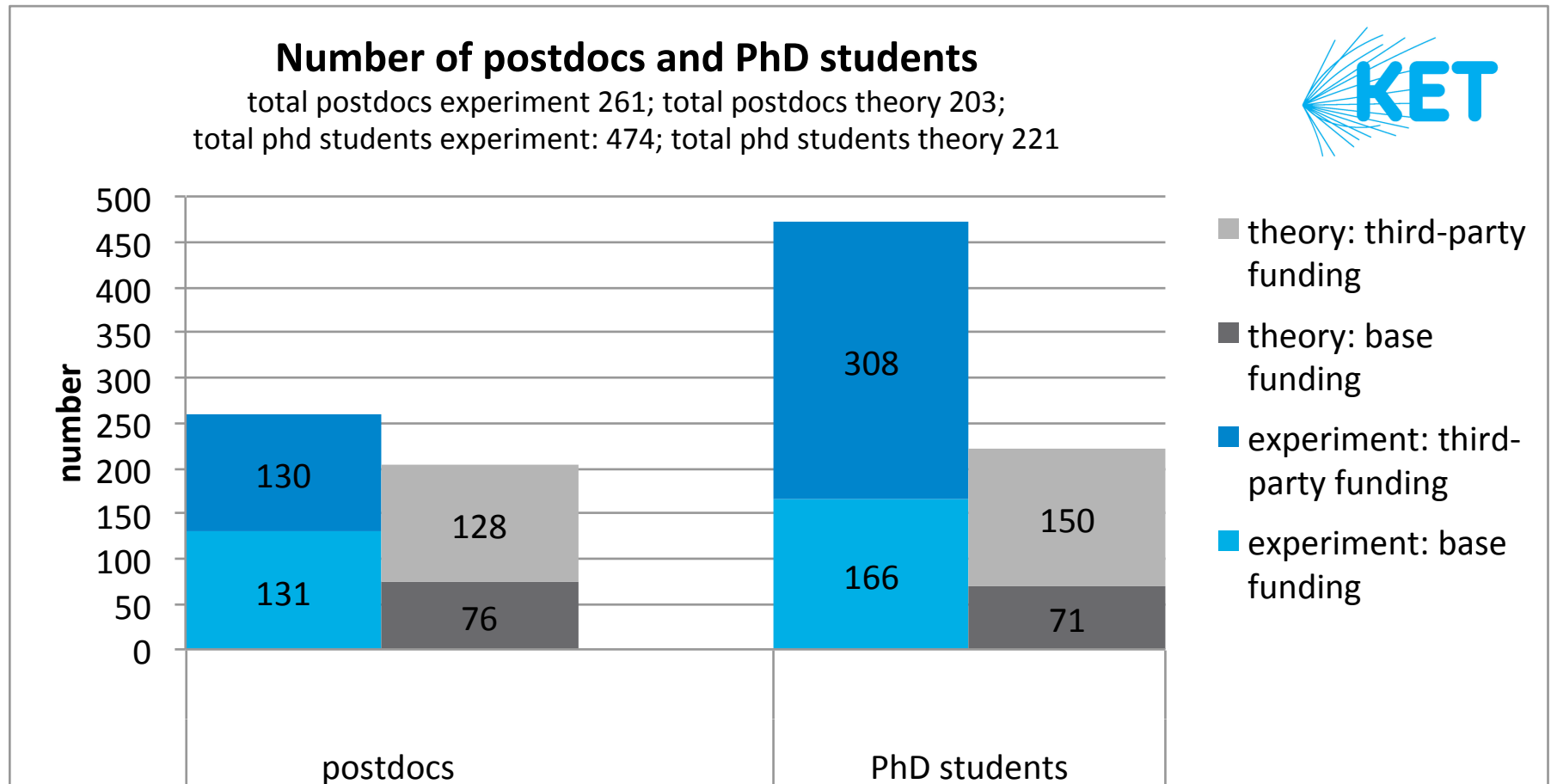
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KET Survey in 2013 includes Helmholtz, Max-Planck, Universities, CERN



- Most sites participate in BMBF research clusters (FSPs) or HGF-Alliance
- Successful in DFG and EU grants

Third party funding



Postdocs & PhD students: 50 – 70 % third party funding

Adding permant scientists: 50 % base funding, 50 % third party funding

Manpower and Projects



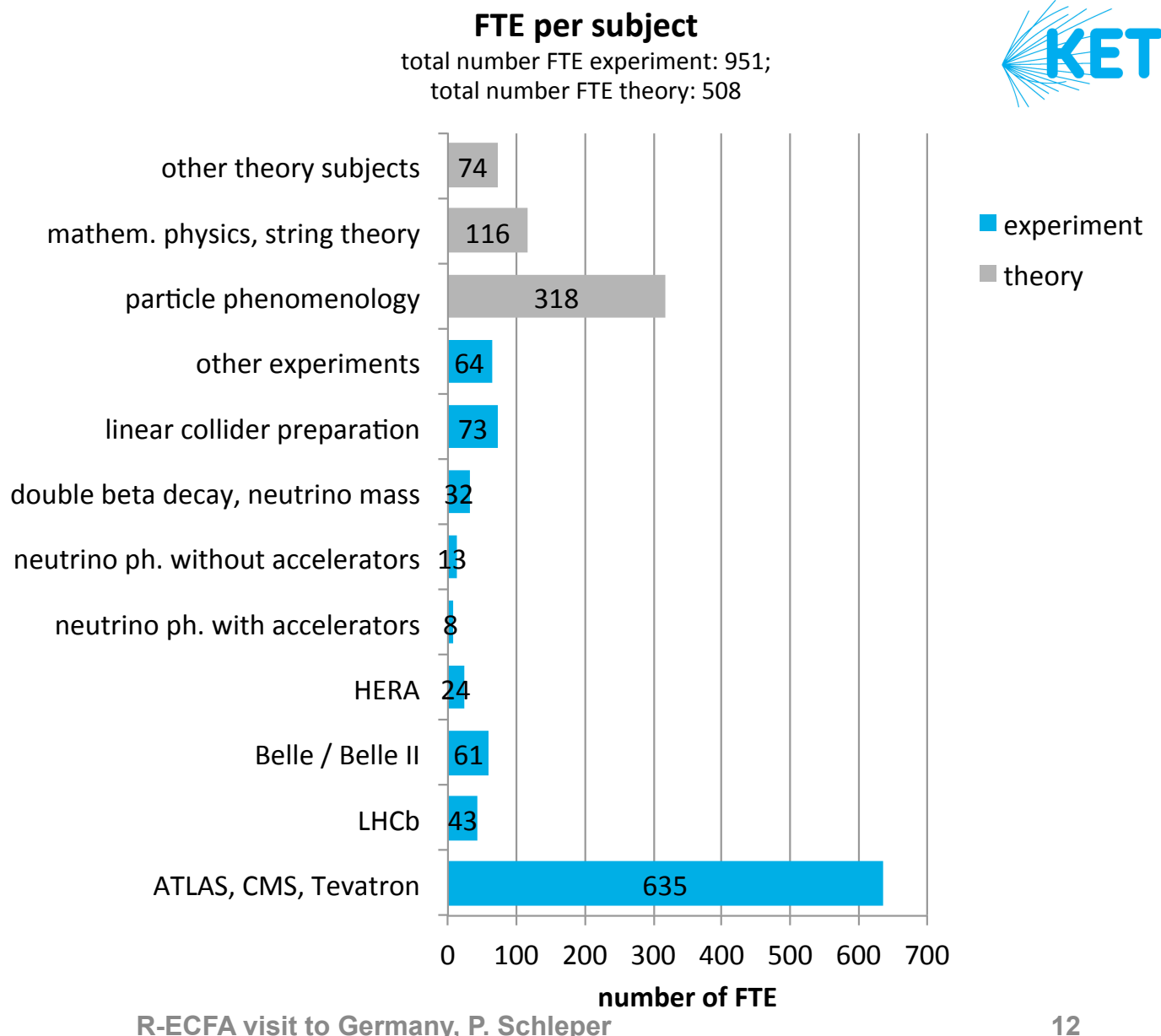
Manpower:

incl. PhD students

- **Experiment: 951**
- **Theory: 508**

Focus on

- **ATLAS & CMS (75%)**
- **b-Physics**
- **linear collider**
- **phenomenology**

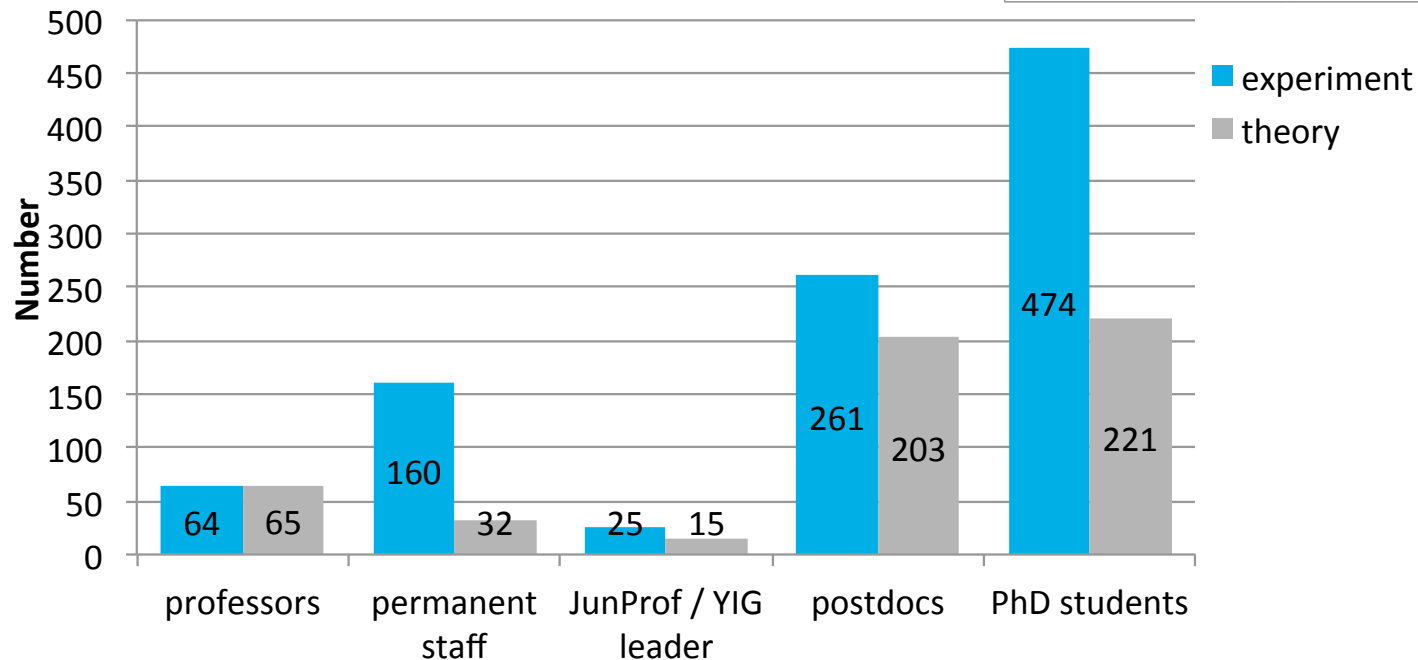


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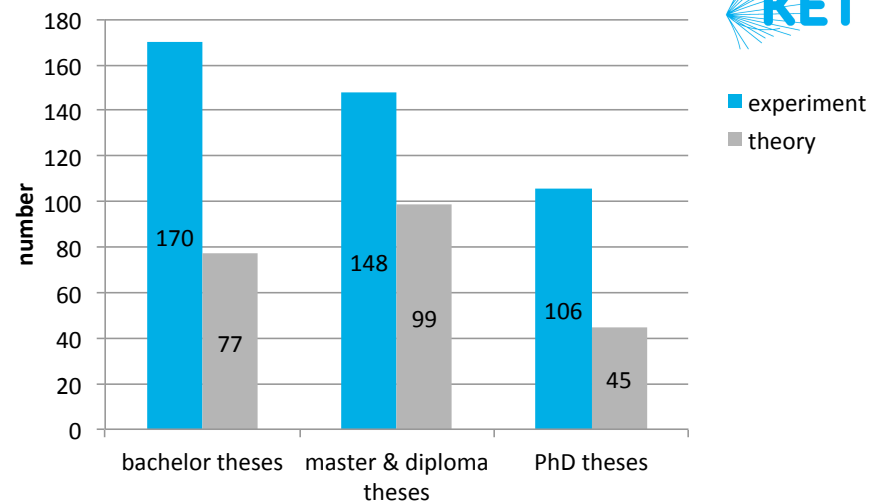
A particular strength:
Many young scientists

Employees in particle physics in Germany

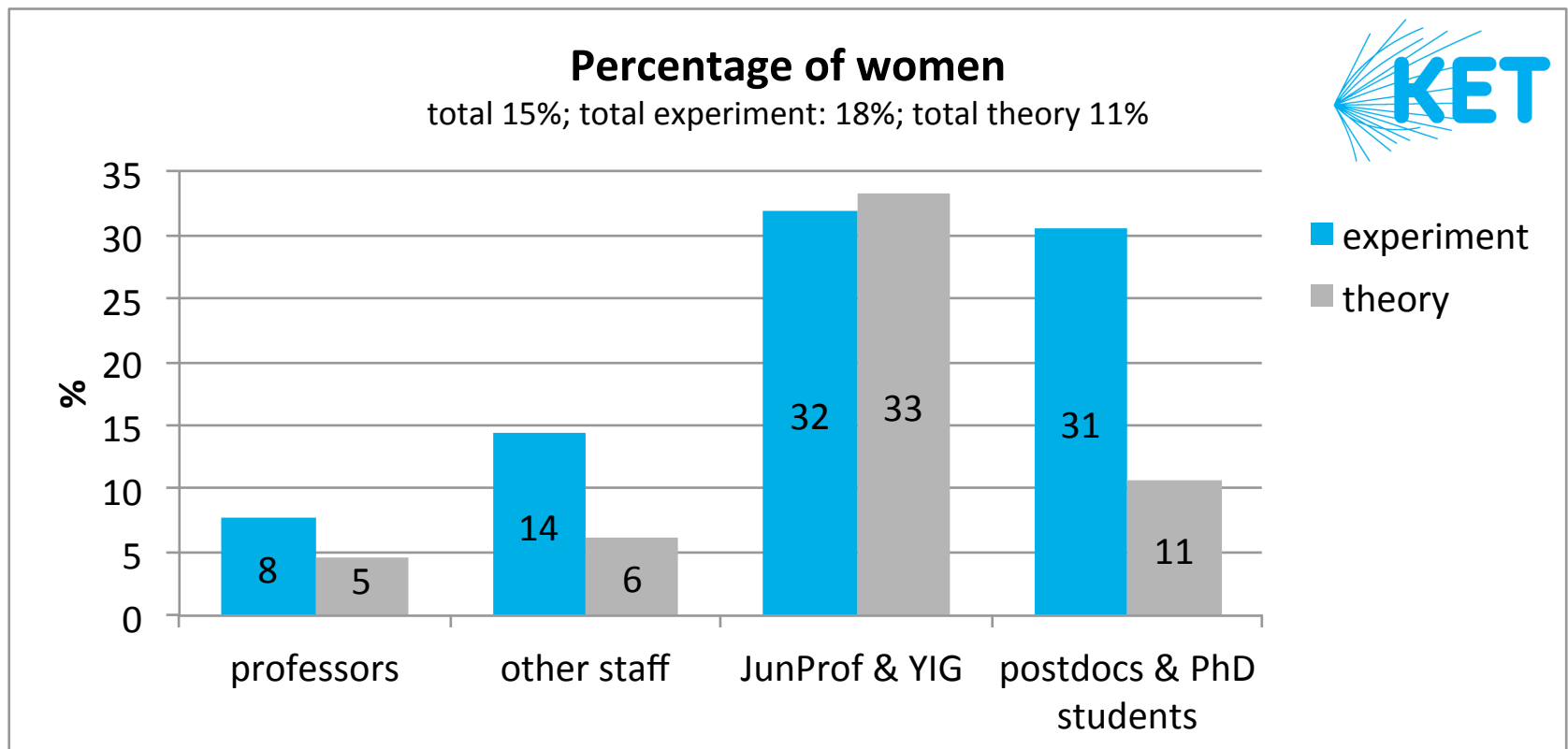
total: 1475; total experiment: 939; total theory: 536



Number of theses finished in 2012



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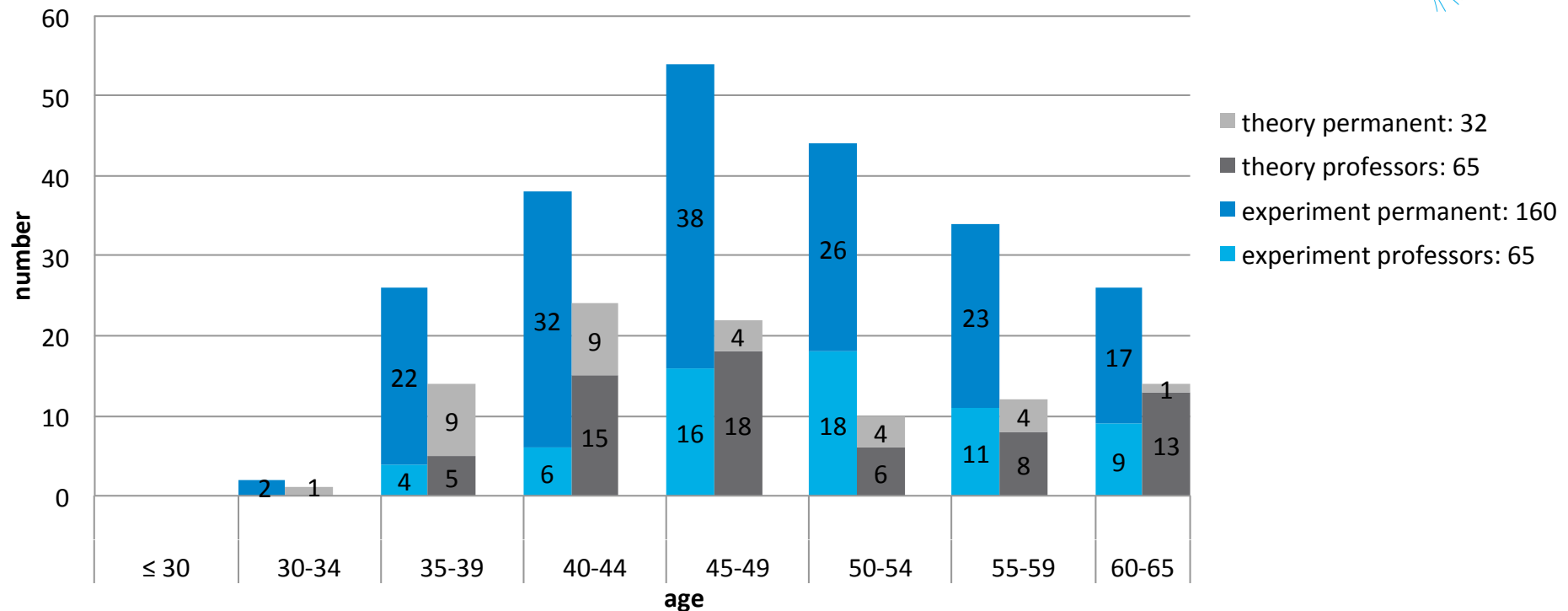
Women in science

- ~ 20 % female students (was 10%)
- ~ 30% PhD students, Junior-Profes and YIG leaders (increasing)
- ~ 10% of permanent staff (up to now)

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Permanent employees by age

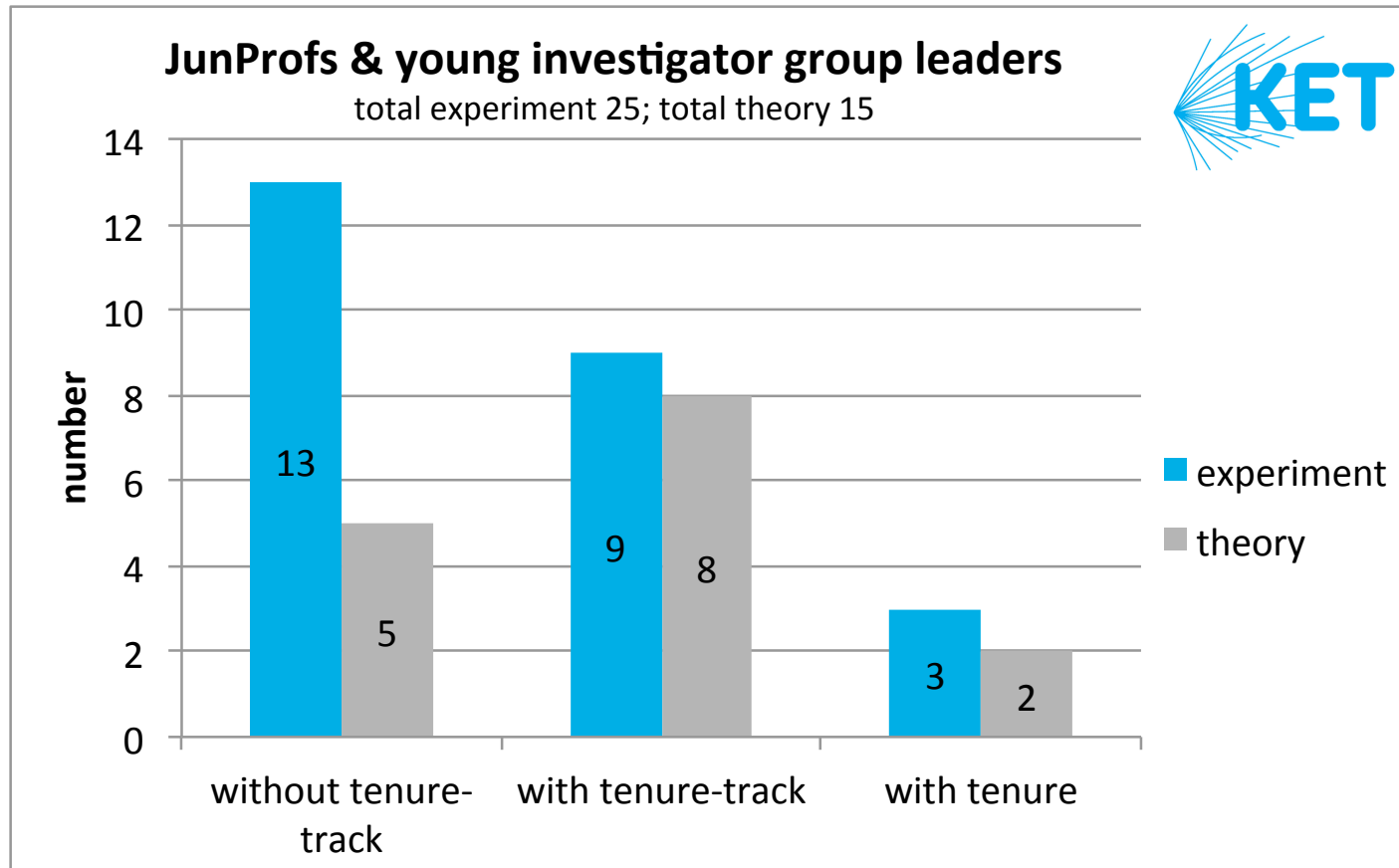


Number of permanent positions is limited

retirements within the next 5 years

- Experiment: 26
- Theory: 14

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- Tenure track mostly at Helmholtz Institutes
- Number of JProfs and YIG leaders is 10 times smaller than number of postdocs
- But similar to number of retirements within next 5 years
- Typical career path: Phd → 1.Postdoc → 2.Postdoc → JProf/Yig → permanent
- 1/3 chance to get to the next career step up to JProf/Yig or permanent

Critical items

LHC experiments → see talk by K. Desch

- **Phase-II** detector upgrades **require extra funds** on top of current BMBF / Helmholtz / MPI funding
- All 4 exp: 97 M€, + inflation + 20 % contingency: 125 M€, + 20 % overhead
- Proposal in 2013 to BMBF to **add LHC Phase-II to national Roadmap** of large infrastructure → decision process initiated by BMBF with HGF and MPG !
- BMBF/HGF funding periods require decision this year to obtain funds until 2018
- LHC on the Roadmap is essential to obtain matching funds and long term support of research field by Universities.



LHC Computing → see talk by Ch. Zeitnitz

- Investment degrading as of 2015 → critical shortage in 2016
- 75% from Helmholtz: depends on successful application
- 25% from Universities: **lack of short and long term means of application**

Support of new projects

- Allow for limited funds for preparation of new major (LC, FCC?) and outstanding smaller projects.

Support of young scientists

- Harsh selection, few open positions in next 5 years
- Should enforce visibility and individual funding for best young scientists

Summary

Particle physics in Germany

- Highly dynamic field with results of major impact
- Much increased public recognition and fascination for fundamental physics, also due to LHC, Higgs, impact on cosmology



German contribution

Cornerstone of European particle physics

- Long term vision by all funding agencies
- Importance of close interconnection of Verbundforschung + Helmholtz + MPG
- Excellent integration in international community
- LHC: Excellence in both accelerator and detector contribution
- Major impact on LHC phenomenology, analysis and discovery(ies)
- Major contribution also to Belle-II detector

Critical items

- LHC detector Phase-II upgrade costs → German Roadmap
- LHC Computing at HGF and Universities
- New projects on major and on smaller scales
- Career path of young scientists

Backup



Particle Physics Community

Percentage of foreign employees

total experiment: 24%; total theory: 40%

