Particle Physics Masterclass Workshop Plans and goals: today and beyond

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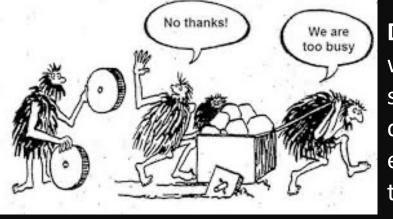
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- Best practice examples,
- New activities,
- New graphics,
- New tools (computing or otherwise)...

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No simple/fast solution and today is just the start:

Initial discussion today of current state/need/experience as input to future events with education/communications professionals to realise specific, measurable, and achievable outcomes.



Examples of existing masterclass contributions

What works well / what we learnt / how to do it / where things could be improved?

Current resources and future wishes/opportunities

What is out there we could be deploying into masterclasses, or what is missing? How can we as a community work together on developing or applying new resources (what are priorities?).

Best practice in designing for specific audiences

What is current experience? What are considerations? Are there audiences we should be connecting with but are not / are underserved – how to develop a strategy to provide high quality engagement.

Best practice in evaluation and monitoring

Current experience and future wishes.

Next steps following this initial workshop

Working towards short-term outcomes

Share experience/best-practice examples

Learn about different approaches and experiences in engaging with different audiences and via different means, what works well, what doesn't, and where there is a need for further information / desire for experience.

Report existing activities + community needs

Today's activities will feed into a short report to highlight key findings, that will be the seed for a followon targeted workshop with external partners.



Working towards mid/long-term outcomes



Creation of repository of shared resources

Development of repository of useful resources people are willing to share:

organisation plans for a masterclass; how-to guides; best practice guidance; audience needs analysis; feedback forms and impact assessment examples; plans/guides for construction and operation of some activities/equipment; slide decks...

Could keep this to a simple Google Drive solution be sufficient in the first instance?

Informal working groups for content development

Creation of focused task-and-finish volunteer groups working on the coordinated development of specific, prioritised, new resources + reporting results.