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 Neutrons and Photons
 Elevating Worldwide Science

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Afternoon session – Tuesday August 25th, ESRF Auditorium

11:30-12:00	Welcome and registration – ESRF lobby		
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12:00-13:00	🍴 Lunch – ESRF canteen		
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Session 1 – ESRF and ESUO – the present and the future

13:00-14:50	Title / Topic	Chair: T. Hase (UK)	
13:00	Welcome to the ESRF – ESRF Director; Welcome from ESUO President;	5 mins 5 mins	Jean Daillant (ESRF); C.McGuinness (ESUO/IE)
13:15	ESUO in 2026: status and overview	15 mins + Qs	C.McGuinness (IE)
13:35	ESRF – EBS	15 mins	J.Daillant/M.Krisch (ESRF)
13:50	ESRF Future Strategy	15 mins	M.Krisch (ESRF)
14:05	- Questions and discussion	15 mins	
14:20	Progress for Open Data in Science: FAIR Data, AI at ESRF and beyond	20 mins	A. Goetz (ESRF)
14:40	- Questions and discussion	10 mins	
14:50-15:10	☕ Coffee break		

Session 2 – Users of ESRF: France & ESRF user countries and European user access

15:10-16:20	Title / Topic	Chair: B. Murphy (UK)	
15:10	<i>Association Française des Utilisateurs de Rayonnement Synchrotron (AFURS)</i>	10 mins + Qs	R. Le Hir (FR)
15:20	<i>Austrian Synchrotron Research with a focus on the ESRF</i>	10 mins + Qs	R. Lechner (AT)
15:30	<i>Italian synchrotron users community</i>	10 mins + Qs	M. Grazia Ortore (IT)
15:40	<i>GrSUN and the pursuit of Greek membership of the ESRF</i>	10 mins + Qs	M. Katsikini (GR)
15:50	User access across Europe	15 mins + Qs	C. McGuinness (IE)
16:15	📷 Group photo		
16:20-16:40	☕ Coffee break		

Session 3 – LEAPS, European Consortia and Commission initiatives

16:40-18:10	Title / Topic	Chair: L. Renault (FR)	
16:40	LEAPS AISBL - The League of European Accelerator-based Photon Sources	20 mins + Qs	B. Rech (LEAPS/HZB)
17:05	Future European access – ESUO's role?	15 mins	C.McGuinness (IE)
17:15-18:05	"Users participation in European collaborations – European and national perspectives" Moderator Bridget Murphy • Bernd Rech (Vice Chair LEAPS & HZB) • Giovanni Lamanna (CERN, CNRS-LAPP and PSENTRIC project) • Astrid Schneidewind (ENSA, DAPHNE4NFDI, ESFRI WG PS&E, Julich) • Ed Mitchell (Access2Access WP3 co-lead, ESRF) • P. Piwowarczyk (NEPHEWS coordinator, SOLARIS)		
18:05	Summary and thanks to participants	5 mins	

Evening

19:00	Departure to Dinner Downtown	35-45 min travel time
20:00	Dinner Downtown at "La Brasserie Chavant"	


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Session 4 – NEPHEWS [available online]

08:45-10:50	Title / Topic	Chair: R. Lechner (UK)	
08:45	NEPHEWS Timeline to end of Project Project extension, amendments, etc.	10 mins	P. Piwowarczyk (NEPHEWS/ SOLARIS)
08:55	NEPHEWS Updates ◦ Outreach to Africa, Virtual Training & NEPHEWS Hands ◦ Success stories, NEPHEWS TNA, Twinning, ESRs, European usage data ◦ User mapping - participations data from LINXS ◦ Discussion on impact and usage of user statistics, usage statistics and data	50 mins 10 mins 20 mins 10 mins 10 mins	P. Piwowarczyk R. Georgiev (NEPHEWS /TCD) C. McGuinness (IE)
09:45	TillerAlpha support of NEPHEWS Policy White Paper	15 mins	C. McGuinness (IE)
10:00	NEPHEWS Policy output discussions ◦ Introduction to White paper ◦ Aims, roles and responsibilities ◦ Structure of white paper - multiple audiences ◦ White paper working group - scheduling of meetings ◦ Launch event in Brussels Spring 2027 ◦ Discussion	5 mins	C. McGuinness (IE)
10:50-11:10	☕ Coffee break		

Session 5 – ESUO matters and national delegate reports

11:10-16:20	Title / Topic	Chair: A.Silva (PT)	
11:10	ESUO Statutes updates	10 mins	C. McGuinness (IE)
11:20	Future of ESUO, sustainability, European projects and other activities + discussion/ brainstorming	10 mins 10 mins	T. Hase (UK)
11:40	ESUO prize update	10 mins + Qs	B. Murphy (DE)
12:00	National Delegate Reports : Belgium – Ireland – see schedule	40 mins; (12 x 2 min)	
12:40	ESUO SIG - Industry, Business and Intermediary Companies	20 mins	U. Sassenberg (SaSaS)
13:00-14:10	🍽️ Lunch – ESRF canteen		

Afternoon session begins at 14:10

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Session 6 – : ESUO matters and national delegate reports

14:10-15:55	Title / Topic	Chair: M. Katsikini (GR)	
14:10	ESUO Survey of Access needs (independent of A2A)	15 mins	C. McGuinness (IE)
14:25	LEAPS interactions – reporting on RDB, SG1, SG2, WG3, WG5, WG6	15 mins	Various, R. Lechner, B. Murphy, C.McGuinness
14:40	ESUO SIG - Education - commitments to LEAPS in 2027 - Virtual Training event	10 mins	C. McGuinness (IE)
14:50	National Delegate Reports: Ireland to United Kingdom – see schedule	40 mins; (12 x 2 min)	
15:35	Future TNA opportunities landscape analysis of 2027-INFRA-SERV calls	15 mins	P. Piwowarczyck (SOLARIS)
15:55-16:20	☕ Coffee break		

Session 7 – Education: Gap analysis of education, hands on training providing new skilled users

16:20-18:00	Title / Topic	Chair: C.McGuinness (IE)	
16:20	HERCULES school 35 years	25 mins + Qs	Hubert Renevier (U. Alpes Grenoble)
16:45	National and regional schools:		
	◦ NESY School – Austria	10 mins	R. Lechner (AT)
	◦ SILS School – Italy	10 mins	P. Luches (IT)
	◦ RAC/Matrac/DAPHNE Schools (tbc)	10 mins	B. Murphy (DE)
	◦ SESAME + Sunstone Training	10 mins	K. Lorentz (CY)
17:25	Panel discussion: “Future initiatives for skilled expert users satisfying European and global needs” Moderator: C. McGuinness		
	• Hubert Renevier (HERCULES)		
	• Rainer Lechner (NESY, AT)		
	• Paola Luches (SILS, IT)		
	• Bridget Murphy (RAC/Matrac/Daphne, DE)		
	• Kirsi Lorentz (SESAME, CY)		
18:05	Summary and thanks to participants		

Evening

19:00	Departure to Dinner nearby
20:00	Dinner nearby at “Bombay Talkies”



23rd ESUO General Assembly

📅 25th -27th August 2025 (from 13:00 CET Tuesday to 10:30 CEST Thursday)

📍 European Synchrotron Radiation Facility, Grenoble, France



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Session 8 – NEPHEWS brainstorming with delegates from targeted countries

08:45-10:20	Title / Topic	Chair: E. Georgiev (NEPHEWS/TCD)
08:45	Follow up discussions on policy paper initiatives - Desired impact within targeted countries for national user communities - DanScatt type model for funding and managing access; Twinning funding; ESR funding; virtual training and access to hands on training; annual meetings; investment in facilities; membership of international organisations - Benefit of investment by national funders in such a scheme. - Date of next meetings in targeted countries and of writing group - Summary of meeting and next steps	
10:10	End of General Assembly	
DEPARTURE		


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National delegate reporting draft schedules for Wednesday

Schedule depends upon known availability of remote presenters where swaps may be needed.

* indicates either new ESUO delegate, first time in person, first time reporting or substitute delegate.

Wednesday	Session 5 - Chair: A. Silva (PT)		Notes
From 12:00	National delegate reports – 12-13 nations x 3 mins each	45 mins	
Austria	Rainer Lechner -previously presented	In-person	
Belgium	Carla Bittencourt	Remote	Tbc
Bulgaria	Peter Georgiev	Remote	Tbc
Croatia	Krunoslav Jurać	In-person	
Cyprus	Kirsi O. Lorentz	In-person	
Czechia	Mojmir Meduna *	In-person	
Spain	Inmaculada Ramos Lerate *	Remote	Changed session
Denmark	Henrik Birkedal *	Remote	Tbc
Estonia	Marco Kirm	Remote	Tbc
Finland	Ryan Trevorah	In-person	
France	Rozenn Le Hir – previously presented	In-person	
Germany	Bridget Murphy	In-person	
Greece	Maria Katsikini – previously presented	In-person	
Hungary	György Albert Vankó	Tbc	By chair?
Israel	Meytal Landau	In-person	
Switzerland	Daniela Rupp	In-person	Changed session
Italy	M. Grazia Ortore – previously presented	In-person	
16-4?			
Wednesday	Session 6 – Chair M. Katsikini (GR)		Notes
From 1450	National reports 12-15 nations x 3 mins	45 mins	
Ireland	Cormac McGuinness	In-person	Changed session
Latvia	Alexei Kuzmin	Tbc	By chair?
Norway	Basab Chattopadhyay	Tbc	By chair?
Poland	Anna Wach *	In-person	
Portugal	Ana Silva	In-person	
Romania	Claudiu Locovei *	In-person	
Serbia	Bratislav Marinkovic	Not available	Present by chair
Slovakia	Nada Mrkyvkova	Remote	Tbc
Slovenia	Ava Rajh *	In-person	
Spain			Changed session
Sweden	Ute Cappel *	In-person	
Switzerland			Changed session
Turkiye	Özlem Karsli	Remote	Tbc
Ukraine	Oksana Chukova	In-person	
United King- dom	Thomas Hase	In-person	
15-3?			