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re. Request for Proposals for TRIUMF Commitments, 2020-2025

Dear Colleagues,

TRIUMF is starting to prepare its Five-Year Plan 2020-2025, a report that will define TRIUMF’s vision and mission, communicate the lab’s goals and priorities, and lay out an action plan for the period 2020-2025 and beyond. Covering the full breadth of activities undertaken by TRIUMF, the Five-Year Plan will underpin TRIUMF’s request for operational funding from the Government of Canada.

TRIUMF has published a webpage to serve as the primary online resource for information about the 2020-2025 Five-Year Plan development process and the various consultations with stakeholders. You can access it here, http://www.triumf.ca/FYP2020-25.

An integral part of developing TRIUMF’s Five-Year Plan 2020-25 is understanding and prioritizing any and all activities that might involve commitments of the laboratory’s resources and expertise during the period covered by the plan. This understanding will help inform allocation of resources and future project commitments.

As a multidisciplinary national centre, TRIUMF would like to ensure there is opportunity to provide input into this important part of the planning process. We are encouraging the community to put forward innovative ideas, and in particular consider initiatives that bridge across individual fields of research and take advantage of TRIUMF’s diverse capabilities. As such, TRIUMF is requesting proposals for any and all activities that might involve commitments of TRIUMF resources and expertise during the five years covered by the plan. A short template outlining the requested information is for download here and on available on the SYP webpage.

TRIUMF’s Policy and Planning Advisory Committee (PPAC) will be responsible for reviewing and analyzing all Five-Year Plan proposals. As part of this process, PPAC will prioritize the submissions and offer recommendations to the TRIUMF Director. The PPAC review will be completed by early December 2017.

For all submissions of new project commitments, the PPAC review constitutes the Gate 0 review of TRIUMF’s project governance process. In particular, all initiatives that will involve a proposal to the next round of calls by the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI), anticipated for 2018/19, and involve TRIUMF resources are expected to submit a proposal to PPAC. For initiatives that might go forward to future CFI funding rounds
before 2025 we also expect a proposal submission to PPAC now, if the resources requested from TRIUMF (cash and manpower) are near or above $1M.

We request that you complete the template and submit the information to 5YPSC@triumf.ca. The deadline for submission is **Monday, October 16, 2017**.

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