

Report from the Linear Collider Board

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Since LCWS2018 Arlington (I)

- **LCB Phone meeting in November**

“..., the LCB members reach the following conclusion. In order to adhere to the plan, it would be crucial to have a statement from the Japanese government in time for the March 2019 LCB/ICFA meeting, expressing its strong interest to host the ILC in Japan and intention to initiate international discussion, together with an indication of possible Japanese contribution along the lines suggested in the LCB conclusion endorsed by the ICFA in Ottawa in November 2017.”

- **FALC/LCB/ICFA meeting in Tokyo, 7 March 2019**

- MEXT made [the first statement](#) on the ILC

- Show an interest for the ILC (but no explicit mentioning of hosting)

- Continue to follow the international discussion

- Continue to exchange of information with international partners (FR, DE)

- Need of support from the wider academia in Japan (SCJ process)

Since LCWS2018 Arlington (II)

- The LC town meeting in Lausanne, 8-9 April 2019
 - LC community discussion toward the European Strategy Community symposium in Granada in May
 - Community statement expressing the strong points of LC
 - solid physics programme
 - “lower” initial cost
 - “flexibility” for the future
 - “more” interesting accelerator R&D items

Granada Symposium: a general consensus for “an” e^+e^- “Higgs” collider (plus Z, W, t etc. options) as the next collider project, but not for the implementation.

Since LCWS2018 Arlington (III)

- LCB/ICFA meeting in Toronto, 7 August 2018
 - Idea of holding a face-to-face LCB meeting in Tokyo before the end of this year and inviting people from the Japanese government to hear the evolution in Japan since the March meeting, before the European Strategy drafting meeting on 20-24 January 2020: both from
 - MEXT side
 - Political side
- ⇒ Information arrived later from the KEK DG: MEXT will not be in the position to make a statement before the end of this year, since the Master Plan discussion by the Science Council of Japan will not be concluded, but will attend the February FALC/ILC/LCB meeting. (no LCB f-t-f meeting planned this year)

Look forward

- It would be still **desirable to have a “report”** of Japanese government stating **their activities since March 2018**; e.g. their meetings with DE and FR government, receiving the KEK working group report on the cost sharing, prospect of having the SCJ Master Plan, their working plan, etc.
before the end of this year.
- FALC/ICFA/LCB meetings at SLAC, 20-21 February 2020
 - Would MEXT state their interest in “hosting the ILC in Japan”?
 - An indication of time plan for a formation of pre-lab?