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The Xplora Science Teachers Conference took place on 15-18 June 2006 at CERN, the world's largest particle physics laboratory in Switzerland.

The conference focused on open source and ICT in science education, science teaching approaches, the role of science centres in education and more.

The event was organised within the Pencil project; more than 80 teachers and educators from all around Europe attended the conference, which combined high level presentations with workshops and practical science activities.

Results and activities from the Pencil pilot projects have been presented, such as international science teaching approaches and projects involving the use of ICT in Science Education.



The SkyWatch 2006 award ceremony, organised within the D-Space project, concluded the Conference with a video broadcasting to the Skinakas Observatory in Crete, Greece and a demonstration of a real-time observation using the observatory's robotic telescope.



Exploring the Large Hadron Collider – LHC project at CERN

Participants have also had the possibility of visiting and exploring the ATLAS detector at CERN (<http://atlas.ch>), 100 meters under-earth, in which 1800 scientists from 150 universities and laboratories from all around the world are working together, within the Large Hadron Collider – LHC project.

[Go here to the Conference proceedings](#), which are also contained on our [Xplora-Knoppix DVD](#).

You can download the [full agenda](#) of the Conference (pdf).

You can also read and download some [comments from the participants](#) (pdf).

You can have a look at the pictures in the photogallery ([high-resolution](#) and [low-resolution](#)).

You can see a general [evaluation](#) of the presentations and the workshops.

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