

1 Introduction

When I got the email saying I had been nominated I reflexively answered no, as I have since the system of directly electing spokespersons has been in place. A follow-up call from the Nomination Committee produced the same reaction - I have always preferred to work on the hardware and the physics, possibly because I spent a lot of time in the past on politics and committees (see my CV below).

However, somewhat later I was in Washington at a meeting of the Board of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists and the Carnegie Endowment for Peace, and the imposing government surroundings triggered a reaction that to have an effect on the future of CDF will require having 'a seat at the table'. I called the Committee back and asked if I could still run.

I would be onsite at CDF most of my time. I have no LHC commitments. I am not on any other experiment. The only other commitment I have (beyond family, sailing and skiing) is a project working on the development of picosecond-resolution Time-of-Flight for particle identification and photon vertex localization.