



Dear all,

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Here is your weekly update to help you prepare for your local event as part of the International Masterclasses 2026.

//////// Question time //////////

We are offering Q&A sessions with the authors of the measurements in February, before IMC starts. Simply connect to the session to get your questions answered.

LHCb: Feb 6 (Fri), 3-4 pm CET <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1642020/>

ATLAS W: Feb 9 (Mon), 2-3 pm CET <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1643566/>

ATLAS Z: Feb 9 (Mon), 2:30-3:30 pm CET <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1642695/>

Pierre Auger: Feb 10 (Tue), 3-4 pm CET <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1644822/>

CMS: Feb 11 (Wed), 4-5 pm CET <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1643947/>

MINERvA: Feb 11 (Wed), 5-6 pm CET <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1644036/>

NovA: Feb 12 (Thu), 5-6 pm CET <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1643943/>

ALICE (Strange Particles): Feb 16 (Mon), 2:30-3:30 pm CET <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1644824/>

//////// CMS Masterclasses without CIMA //////////

Reminder: Our customary data analysis tool, the CMS Instrument for Masterclass Analysis (CIMA), is not available for IMC 2026. As a result, we will use specially prepared Google Sheets for this season. For most CMS masterclass days, each CMS masterclass institute will have its own online spreadsheet, open for editing, in which students can enter their results from study of events in iSpy. A Combination spreadsheet, controlled by videoconference moderators, will have the combined results for all of the institutes in the conference for that day for discussion. All spreadsheets can be accessed from a table in the CMS WZH-path page of the CMS Masterclass Library. Here are some helpful references:

- CMS Masterclass Documentation for 2026 at <https://quarknet.org/cmsdoc2026>.
- The most current version of iSpy at <https://ispy-masterclass.web.cern.ch/>. This is the only version that will work for IMC 2026.
- The table of spreadsheets, at <https://cern.ch/cmssheets2026>.

In the next two weeks we will further update the documentation, screencasts, and other presentation materials, and add the spreadsheet links to the table. Thank you for your patience as we adjust. Please send any questions you have to Ken.

Kind regards,

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