Cern ties up with NTU to launch physics course

STUDENTS from Singapore and the region are now able to learn about scientific breakthroughs in physics from the renowned European Organization for Nuclear Research (Cern) based in Geneva, Switzerland, right on their doorstep.

This is thanks to a link-up between Nanyang Technological University’s Institute of Advanced Studies and Cern. They launched their first “winter school”, which focuses on particle physics and cosmology, here yesterday.

The first long-term programme tie-up between Cern and an educational institution in Asia will make it more accessible for academics in the region to keep abreast of scientific knowledge.

The three-week programme will be held every two years.

Some 120 graduate students, academics and researchers have been selected for the pioneer programme this year. They will have the chance to help with data analysis of the Higgs Boson particle, an ultra-small particle believed to give all matter its mass.

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