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Free shuttle buses every 10 minutes from the railway station in Brugg to PSI in Villigen and back again.



One finger on the pulse of research

Switzerland's largest research centre is to open its doors on Sunday, 18 October 2015. The general public will have an exclusive opportunity to feel the pulse of top-flight research at PSI's large research facilities and labs at first hand.

Why do tiny dust particles have a global impact? Which molecules are responsible for vision? How do archaeologists stand to benefit from the spallation neutron source (SINQ)? Why is treating tumours with protons so unique? Used for energy storage, can hydrogen help satisfy our growing energy demand? What does particle physics research entail? Why is our planet too curved for the new Swiss X-ray free-electron laser SwissFEL, where you can visit the tunnel at the open day? And why is a 2,000-HP Maybach diesel generator on permanent standby?

PSI's dedicated scientists will be on hand to answer these questions and many more on 18 October.

The physicist duo "Stella Nova" will also dazzle you with an extraordinary physics show on the open air stage. And discover the physics behind the James Bond films in our large lecture theatre. Visitors will also have the opportunity to immerse themselves in the experimental world of fire, smoke and light at an experimental lecture.

Talks in the auditorium

11 a.m. Fire, sound and smoke: an experimentation show Midday Mysterious elementary particles – PSI hot on the

trail of the Big Bang

1 p.m. Fire, sound and smoke: an experimentation show

2 p.m. "Shaken, not stirred" – James Bond in the

crosshairs of physics

3 p.m. Energy Strategy 2050 and the importance of energy

storage

4 p.m. What PSI's microscopes can teach us about living

cells: an introduction for children and adults