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Subject: Hosting of 2017 General Assembly of IUPAP

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Dear All,

The next General Assembly of the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics will be held in October or November of 2017. IUPAP asks that members wishing to host the 2017 GA provide a one page expression of interest to me by 20 April.

The Executive Council and the Commission Chairs will then begin discussions with short listed potential hosts with the aim of making a decision towards the end of this year.

I remind you that the IUPAP General Assembly is a small meeting, of 100 to 150 delegates, and to allow all members to attend it does not charge a registration fee. It is preceded by a meeting of the Executive Council and the Commission Chairs (about 40 participants) at the same venue. The General Assembly lasts 3 days and is primarily a business meeting. Traditionally it has had about half a day devoted to scientific presentations, allowing delegates to become familiar with advances in physics by the host, popularising science in the host county, or both. The evening between the meeting of the Executive Council and the Commission Chairs is devoted to a reception and the evening before the final day to a dinner, providing opportunities for interactions among the delegates and between delegates and physicists in the host country.

Because of the business nature of the meeting, delegates will require power for their laptops and it is convenient if they can sit at tables rather than a lecture theatre format.

Because of the absence of a registration fee, hosting an IUPAP General Assembly is not an opportunity for the host to make money. Indeed, a successful General Assembly requires significant support from the host who provides the venue and refreshments during the meeting, and in many cases has provided the reception and the dinner. In some cases the host has provided the meeting website, and in others the IUPAP website has served that role.

Your letter of intent should specify the location of the meetings, the location and costs of accommodation for delegates, the level of support you hope to provide and your thoughts on the format of the meeting and associated publicity

Best Regards

K K Phua
Secretary General IUPAP



April 18, 2015

Dear Secretary General Dr. K. K. Phua,

The Chinese Physical Society is interested in hosting the next IUPAP general assembly meeting in 2017.

The Chinese Physical Society is trying to be more involved in IUPAP's activities. We understand that the IUPAP general assembly meeting is the most important meeting of IUPAP. We therefore feel responsible to help hosting the meetings. By doing so, we hope to stimulate the enthusiasm of local Chinese physicists participating in international activities, to strengthen the administration of the Chinese Physical Society, and also to help the international community to know the current situation of physics research and education in mainland China.

We propose that the meeting is to be held in the Zhong-Guan-Cun area of Beijing where the most important universities/institutions of physics research and education in China are located, such as the Institute of Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Peking University, Tsinghua University, etc. We will obey the tradition, arranging public lectures, laboratory tours, reception and banquet, etc. Also, we will help organizing the executive council and the commission chair meeting. No registration fee will be charged.

The accommodation for the delegates will be arranged in a four-star hotel within the walking distance to the meeting venue, with an estimated rate of RMB500 per night.

October or November is the best season in Beijing. We would welcome all the delegates of IUPAP to Beijing then in 2017!

Sincerely yours,

Li Lu, on behalf of CPS

**PROPOSAL TO HOLD THE 2017 IUPAP GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN
BRAZIL**

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Science and technology are undoubtedly vital factors for the development and progress of a country. In particular, physics is a field undergoing an exceptionally fruitful resurgence with great applications in all other areas. Brazil is a Country severely engaged with science and determined for the use of science to provide solutions for the relevant problems in modern society. With this spirit it is relevant to include Brazil in the routine activity of important Scientific Societies. In this sense, IUPAP has been an important element for the constant growing of Brazilian science and evolution of scientific community in both Applied and Pure Physics. Having the opportunity to hold the General Assembly of IUPAP in 2017 creates an unique time for better acquaintance of IUPAP with Brazilian science and scientists. Besides we are close enough to all Latin countries, expanding this opportunity to all of them. Brazilian Cities are attractive Cities. In particular, São Paulo is an attractive city with two international airports receiving daily direct international flights from the main cities around the world. From the USA, one finds direct flights to São Paulo from all the main cities in USA and Europe. The travelling costs to São Paulo are in a comfortable price. The city is considered one of the most relevant scientifically and economically in Latin America. The hotel structure in São Paulo is well organized and it has been the scenery of several international meetings.

Special EVENT during the 29 - General Assembly - 2017: Together with the event on 2017 we will put together an Workshop about "*New Challenges in pure and applied physics*" where the speakers will be the delegates participating on the General Assembly. The idea is to put the General Assembly meeting during the morning, and during the afternoon having the workshop. The main audience for the workshop will be

scientists and students from Brazil and neighboring countries. That will be an opportunity to promote beyond the administrative business meeting when a large number of experts get together in the General Assembly.

Cost to reach São Paulo:

Tickets Round Trip (Low Season) from

New York \$800 to \$1000

Los Angeles \$1100

Paris \$700 to \$1100

Miami \$700 to \$900

Berlin \$900 to \$1100

Tokyo \$1300 to \$1700

Hotels Single Occupancy

5 stars \$150 to \$250

4 stars \$80 to \$140

3 stars \$45 to \$80

POSSIBLE MEETING LOCATION

We are considering the possibility of holding the meeting in a Convention Center located at the campus of the University of São Paulo. There, a nice auditorium will allow the realization of meeting for up to 300 participants and a collection of rooms will allow parallel meetings, if necessary

SUPPORT FROM THE BRAZILIAN PHYSICS SOCIETY - The SBF will support the meeting , helping with the local organization, advertizing the workshop as well as providing conditions to make IUPAP a well known Institution within the Latin America .

Vanderlei Bagnato, chair of C2 , and Alinka Lépine Szily, chair of C12.

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Cc: IUPAP Office Secretariat <IUPAP.Admin@ntu.edu.sg>
Subject: Proposal to hold IUPAP GA 2017 in Sao Paulo
Date: 20 September 2015 4:14:36 pm GMT-4

Dear Bruce,

many thanks for finding our proposal interesting.
Vanderley has answered most of the questions, details we will look (as tables , infratructures in the meeting rooms etc)

About hotels at a walking distance close to the Campus, I think Vanderley is very optimistic.
The hotels which are relatively close (but even these not at walking distance) are not good enough in my opinion.
But we have 3 and 4 star hotels with prizes below or about 100 USD which can be used and the buses of the USP bring the participants in.
We can organize the transportation.

best regards
Alinka

Em 20/09/2015 11:33, Vanderlei Salvador Bagnato escreveu:

Dear Bruce,

Thanks for the message.
Some of the questions I can answer now.

We are planning the meeting to be on the facility of the University of São Paulo. In this way we will not need to pay the place. There is no problem for an auditorium for 40 and latter for over 150.

1)There is a few Hotels at walking distance and we may book them as soon as we have the dates. We will work with 3 and 4 stars Hotel and the price at the moment are below US100 / day. With negotiation as a pack we may get a good discount on that. If we decide by another Hotel that need pick up of people, we will organize that, preferable with the bus system of the University.

2) The workshop will be a mixture of delegates and leaders from the Brazilian community. The idea will be a mutual benefit . A public lecture will be presented. My hope is that Bill Phillips and myself will organize a public lecture for young people on science and relation to IUPAP. We shall organize a program that will fit well this extra activity without causing problems.

3) The first week of November would be the best because 2/November is a Holiday , and that would give us a more quite city in São Paulo.

4) May be Alinka will complement my responses.

Best regards,
Vanderlei

-----Mensagem original-----

De: B H J Mckellar [mailto:bhjmckellar@mac.com]
Enviada em: domingo, 20 de setembro de 2015 08:52
Para: Alinka Lépine-Szily; Vanderlei Bagnato
Cc: IUPAP Office Secretariat
Assunto: Proposal to hold IUPAP GA 2017 in Sao Paulo

Dear Alinka and Vanderlei

Thank you for the very interesting proposal you have made to hold the 2017 IUPAP General Assembly in Sao Paulo. I find I need to clarify some of IUPAP's needs and ask some questions of you, so that I can adequately describe the options before us to the upcoming C&CC meeting.

Traditionally IUPAP refers to the meeting as the General Assembly, which lasts for 3 days. However it is actually a combined meeting, in that the Executive Council and the Commission Chairs of IUPAP meet in the 2 days preceding the 3 day General Assembly. Thus we are really asking you to host a 5 day meeting. To help clarify this I attach the agendas for each of the 2014 meetings.

The first meeting is of about 40 people, and for comfort we should have a meeting room to seat 45 people. This a working meeting, and ideally the participants will be seated at tables rather than in lecture theatre style. Does one of the smaller rooms you mention have the capacity to accommodate that many people in that way?

The main General Assembly is a larger meeting, but it is normally less than 150 people. It is also a working meeting, and so the delegates should be able to work on their computers, tablets or with paper. Does the auditorium have seats which would facilitate this?

You mention the costs of the hotels. As IUPAP itself will be paying the accommodation of about 40 people, and we are not a rich organisation, we would hope to keep the hotel cost to 100 USD per night, or less. Is there a suitable hotel within walking distance of the convention center or do we need to arrange for transport? If so, what is the likely cost of the transport, and how long will it take.

Your idea of running a workshop for Latin American Physicists on "New Challenges in pure and applied physics" is very interesting. If you look at the agenda for the three days of the 2014 GA you will see that afternoons were essential devoted to non-business activities — public lectures which in part were to inform the visiting delegates about physics in the region, and visits by delegates to local research laboratories. That suggests that there will be time in a carefully structured program for the workshop, which would certainly promote the visibility of IUPAP in the region. You suggest that the presenters be drawn from delegates to the GA, but is there a possibility for having some speakers from the region, to educate the delegates about physics in Latin America, thus having the workshop serve two purposes.

The C&CC meeting before the GA is a more intense meeting, and does not have time which can be taken away for the workshop. I assume that three afternoons for the workshop will suffice.

As a final question for this note, I am aware that in parts of Brazil the wet season usually starts in late October. Are there climatic or other reasons (national holidays for example) which would prefer, or exclude, particular dates in the October-November period.

I am sorry to be bombarding you with questions, and I'm sure I will have more. But I look forward to your answers

We are grateful for your help, and for your offer to help IUPAP have a successful 2017 General Assembly

Best wishes

Bruce

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From: [IUPAP Secretary General](#)
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Subject: FW: Bid to Host the 29th IUPAP General Assembly in 2017
Date: Thursday, 2 July, 2015 2:17:32 PM
Attachments: [CCJun15CI_IIP_13x2_PROOF2-1.pdf](#)

From: Alvaro Ferraz [aferraz.iccmp@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2015 10:24 PM
To: IUPAP Secretary General; Itamar Procaccia
Subject: Fwd: Bid to Host the 29th IUPAP General Assembly in 2017

Dear IUPAP Secretary General,

On behalf of the International Institute of Physics (IIP) based at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte in Natal, Brazil, I would like to present to you our candidature to host the 2017 IUPAP General Assembly in our new building.

The IIP building has a large lecture room which easily accommodates 144 people as well as other facilities for Secretarial work, discussion and coffee rooms. If necessary a few extra offices might be made available for your meeting to run effectively and smoothly during 3 days.

Natal is a very pleasant city located in the northeast coast of Brazil. It is provided with an international airport with direct flights to Europe and in 2017 new direct flights will be made available to the USA as well.

There is a good local network of hotels and several good restaurants which are appreciated by our visitors they come to work in our institute. I am sure the same will happen with the IUPAP members who will come for your meeting.

The IIP will be happy to offer both reception and dinner to the delegates, the Executive Council and the the Comission Chairs during the event.

In conclusion the IIP will be more than pleased to host your meeting and we look forward to have a positive reply from you.

Best regards,

Alvaro Ferraz

IIP Director

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From: **Itamar Procaccia** <itamar.procaccia@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, May 5, 2015 at 12:58 AM
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From: **IUPAP Secretary General** <IUPAP.SecGen@ntu.edu.sg>

From: Alvaro aferraz.iccmp@gmail.com
Subject: Re: IUPAP GA 2017
Date: 13 September 2015 11:56 am
To: B H J Mckellar bhjmckellar@mac.com, Itamar Procaccia itamar.procaccia@gmail.com



Dear Bruce,

I enquired about hotel costs with my colleagues in Natal. A 4- star hotel (e.g. Praiamar hotel) will charge you daily ~ US\$ 73.00 for a single room and an extra US\$ 15.00 for lunch. A 5- star hotel (e.g. Ocean Palace) charges daily around US\$ 135.00 for a single room with a view to the sea. However it is possible to reduce that to US\$ 104.00 instead.
You will need daily transportation to come from the hotel to the institute and to go back to the hotel after work. This will cost an extra US\$ 250.00 per day for a group for 45 people.
Let me know if you have any other questions.

Best wishes,

Alvaro

Sent from my iPad

On Sep 11, 2015, at 2:01 PM, B H J Mckellar <bhjmckellar@mac.com> wrote:

Thanks Alvaro

I look forward to the further details

Best wishes

Bruce
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On 11 Sep 2015, at 8:56 pm, Alvaro Ferraz <aferraz.iccmp@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Bruce,

I am on way to Paris coming from Bordeaux. We have nothing scheduled yet for 2017 and we can easily adjust your preferable dates in our program. Your 45 participants fit in in our discussion rooms which can be adapted with proper chairs with desks in their front. On top of that we have two seminar rooms which can accommodate 50 people besides our main lecture hall with 144 seats. All those seats have tables attached in their fronts. I will reply to you about the hotel fares in Natal over the weekend.

Best regards,

Alvaro

On Friday, September 11, 2015, B H J Mckellar <bhjmckellar@mac.com> wrote:
Dear Professor Ferraz

I'm sorry I forgot to ask whether there are any considerations (eg other activities at the institute, climate) which may lead to preference for one date over another. The GA is likely to be between 15 October and 15 November, but if there were good reasons it could be moved a little outside that window

Best wishes

Bruce

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Resent-From: IUPAP.Admin@ntu.edu.sg

Dear Professor Ferraz

As our colleagues are emerging from their mid year commitments, we are starting the IUPAP consideration of the location of its next General Assembly, to be held in October or November 2017. We have three bids to host our meeting, and our Council will make a decision on the preferred option at its meeting in late October. We thank you for your interesting proposal.

To assist this consideration I am writing to provide you with some clarification about the meeting, and also to seek some clarification from you.

While we refer to the meeting as the General Assembly, which lasts for 3 days, it is actually a combined meeting, in that the Executive Council and the Commission Chairs of IUPAP meet in the 2 days preceding the 3 day General Assembly. Thus we are really asking you to host a 5 day meeting. To help clarify this I attach the agendas for each of the 2014 meetings.

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mention have the capacity to accommodate that many people in that way?

The main General Assembly is a larger meeting, but it is also less than 150 people. It is also a working meeting, and so the delegates should be able to work on their computers, tablets or with paper. Do the lecture theatre seats have tables attached or will the delegates have to work off their knees?

Do you have a recommended hotel, and what are the costs? Are any within walking distance or do we need to arrange for transport?

I am sorry to be bombarding you with questions, and I'm sure I will have more. But I look forward to your answers

We are grateful for your help, and for your offer to help IUPAP have a successful 2017 General Assembly

Best wishes

Bruce

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