

## **Matters approved by the Executive Council by Email Post General Assembly in October 2017**

**9 September 2019**

### **Bulgaria to be readmitted as a member of IUPAP**

An email was received from the President of the Union of Physicists in Bulgaria, dated 30<sup>th</sup> August 2019, expressing interest to be readmitted as a member of IUPAP. The council approved that Bulgaria be readmitted as a member of IUPAP, with the Union of the Physicists in Bulgaria as the adhering body, and that it be granted a reduced fee for an initial period of up to three years, subject to ratification at the 2020 General Assembly.

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**3 September 2019**

### **IUPAP to become a partner of the International Day of Light (IDL)**

On the request of the Chair of C17 and the proposal of the Chair of the Steering Committee of IDL, Prof. John Dudley, approval of the council, was sought and approved.

IUPAP will become a partner of the International Day of Light (IDL). IUPAP will be a Gold Sponsor, without any need for financial contributions, but with a commitment to promote IDL amongst its members. The IUPAP logo will be on all the IDL materials.

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**8 August 2019**

### **Appointment of Prof. K S Narayan, as Chair, for Working Group on Physics in Industry (WG16)**

The General Assembly in Sao Paulo approved a resolution to establish a Working Group on Physics in Industry (WG16). We received nominations of a number of individuals for a position in this Working Group. Prof. K.S. Narayan is one of the nominees who has been considered for the position of Chair of the Working Group. He has agreed to serve as Chair. I have attached his CV and the nomination that we received for him. I am asking the Council to approve the appointment of Prof. Narayan as Chair of the IUPAP Working Group on Physics in Industry.

If his appointment is approved and accepted, I also ask that you authorize me and Professor Narayan to appoint the initial members of the Working Group and advise you of its membership.

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**21 June 2019**

### **Takkaki Kajita to be Associate Member for C4**

On the request of the Chair of C4 and approval of the Council, the resolution was approved:

- to appoint Takaaki Kajita, winner of the Nobel Prize in 2015 and the Breakthrough Prize in Physics in 2016, be appointed as an Associate Member of Commission C4, the Commission on Astroparticle Physics, effective from 1 July 2019
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**18 March 2019**

**Egypt to be readmitted as a member of IUPAP**

A letter of interest was received from Egypt dated 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019 to be restored as a member of IUPAP. After seeking approval from the Council it was approved that Egypt be readmitted as a member of IUPAP, with the Egyptian Academy of Scientific Research and Technology as the adhering body, from 1 January 2020. The previous unpaid dues be waived and that readmission be confirmed, conditionally on the fees being paid in full for the period 2020-2022 inclusive. The readmission is subject to ratification at the 2020 General Assembly.

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**18 March 2019**

**Uruguay to be member of IUPAP**

A letter of interest was received from Uruguay dated 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019 to become a member of IUPAP. After seeking approval from the Council it was approved to grant a reduced fee for an initial period of up to three years and become effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020, subject to ratification by the 29<sup>th</sup> General Assembly. The MoU was signed on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April 2019.

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**28 June 2018**

**Jordan to be member of IUPAP**

A letter of interest was received from Jordan on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June 2018 to become a member of IUPAP with 2 shares. After seeking approval from the Council it was unanimously approved to be effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018, subject to ratification by the 29<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

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**10 April 2018**

**Proposal for the enlargement of C1: The Commission on Policy and Finance**

The President, President Designate and Past President requested that Council approve the addition of the Vice President elected at Large with responsibility for Finance and the Vice President elected at Large with responsibility for the Centenary to the membership of C1, the Commission on Policy and Finance, so that the membership of C1 becomes:

- President (Chair)
- Past President
- President Designate
- Secretary General
- Associate Secretary General
- Vice President elected at Large with responsibility for Finance
- Vice President elected at Large with responsibility for the Centenary

The addition of the Vice President elected at Large with responsibility for Finance is proposed, because it would be anomalous to have a Commission on Policy and Finance without that Vice President as a member.

The addition of the Vice President elected at Large with responsibility for the Centenary is proposed because the developing the plans for the celebration of the centenary of IUPAP in 2022 will have a major effect on the decisions about the policies and the income and expenditure of IUPAP during

the period from today to the end of 2022. It is highly desirable for this Vice President at Large to be a member of C1.

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**29 March 2018**

**Letter to the African Union as per Resolution 18 of the IUPAP 29<sup>th</sup> GA.**

At our 29<sup>th</sup> General Assembly recently held in Sao Paolo, Brazil, representatives reflected on the state of Physics and of Science in Africa. The General Assembly appreciated the African Union's acknowledgement, and was unanimous in its understanding that the implementation of the 1% GDP allocation to science budgets, holds the key to long-term sustainability of scientific activity as well as empowerment of women in science across the African continent, with the positive implications for development and meeting the sustainable development goals which depend on local advances in Science and Technology. The African Union is in this respect acknowledged as the only legitimate and representative continental body to urge the African states to implement 1% of their GDP's for science budgets.

P.S: No response or acknowledgment was received and hence no publication on the website has been made.

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**5 March 2018**

**Nominations made to ICSU - World Data System Scientific Committee**

1. Dr. Gang Chen from Institute of High Energy Physics (IHEP), Chinese Academy of Sciences
  2. Dr. Andreas Haungs from KIT, Karlsruhe, Germany
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**19 February 2018**

**Endorsement of C13: XIV Hadron Physics Conference**

formal correspondence communicating the decision of the IUPAP Council regarding your conference application for IUPAP support of the XIV Hadron Physics Workshop which is scheduled to be held on 18 – 23 March 2018 in Brazil.

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**3 February 2018**

**C13 2018 IUPAP Conference Application for the Entrepreneurship Workshop for Scientists and Engineers (EWSE)**

Request for the previously approved funding be spent on a slightly different program - to use this funding to finance the entrepreneurship training, run in Tanzania with secondary schools, rather than university students, which is what the original application requested.

Following a consultative process within council, and in close interaction with Commission 13, we have resolved to grant permission to the organizers of the Entrepreneurship Workshop for Scientists and Engineers (EWSE) to host the workshop under a slightly reconfigured targeted audience. We understand, as requested, that the activities of the workshop will now focus on secondary school students as opposed to university graduate students. We furthermore understand that all the original objectives of the workshop remain as they were stated on the application form upon which the decision to grant approval was based.

