## Further information for meetings in Singapore, November 2014

### • Earlier reports

The General Report 2012-2014 and earlier reports from Commissions, Affiliated Commissions and working Groups are found on our website

http://iupap.org/publications/

## • Letters exchanged concerning the move of IUPAP secretariat

- 1. Letters from Professors Hardaker and Palmer to IUPAP president
- 2. Letter from IUPAP president to Professors Hardaker and Palmer



Professor Cecilia Jarlskog President of the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics (IUPAP)

6 August 2014

Dear Professor Jarlskog

#### **Transfer of the IUPAP Secretariat**

IUPAP UK, on behalf of the Institute of Physics (IOP), has provided the IUPAP secretariat for the past six years. Noting that the secretariat has moved from one host to another on roughly this timescale, the IOP, IUPAP UK and IUPAP have agreed that it would be timely to move the secretariat once again after the 2014 General Assembly in November.

There has been a growth in physics research in the Asian region in the past two decades in particular. In recognition of this, and in what we believe to be a very positive step forward, IUPAP is negotiating with our Singaporean colleagues to have the secretariat located in Singapore. In support of this, we would expect that a Singaporean Secretary-General will be nominated to the General Assembly to complete and formalise the outcome of these negotiations.

We very much hope that IUPAP has found IUPAP UK and the secretariat helpful and supportive to work with and we look forward to working with our colleagues in Singapore to ensure a smooth transition in due course.

Yours sincerely

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# To Professors Hardaker and Palmer

Institute of Physics (IOP) London, UK

13 August 2014

Dear Professors Hardaker and Palmer,

Thank you for your letter of 6 August 2014, addressed to me.

I am especially grateful to you for your understanding and agree with your analysis of the current status of physics in the world.

By now many years ago I served on the Board of your Journal "Reports on Progress in Physics". This gave me an opportunity to have regular contact with your Institute. I was impressed by your activities and by the enthusiasm of the members of IOP that I met. Now, I am glad to have fond memories of those days and I applaud your motto and goal:

## "Physics is central to our society. The Institute of Physics aims to advance physics for the benefit of all."

Therefore, I wish you great success with your work.

Please allow me to take this opportunity to also thank you, on behalf of IUPAP, for having hosted us during the past six years. Thank you also for offering us your help in order to ensure a smooth transition to Singapore. We greatly appreciate your offer as we would like this process to be indisputably clean and realise that we may encounter unforeseen difficulties that may arise, for example due to our lack of familiarity with the British legislation. Your expertise and collaborative spirit will be precious to us.

Thank you again and best regards,

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