# **Commission C6 – Biological Physics**

## **C6 Report to the IUPAP Executive Council and Commission Chair Meeting**

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Aihua Xie, IUPAP C6 Commission Chair

#### 1. Membership

C6 membership (2014-2017)

Name	Country	Roles	Terms
Aihua Xie	USA	Chair	(2014) (2011)
Helmut Grubmuller	Germany	Vice Chair	(2014) (2011)(2008)
Rita Maria Cunha de Almeida	Brazil	Secretary	(2014) (2011)
Melanie Campbell	Canada	Member	(2014)
Imre Derenyi	Hungary	Member	(2014) (2011)
Ramin Golestanian	UK	Member	(2014) (2011)
Ming Li	China	Member	(2014)
Silvia Morante	Italy	Member	(2014) (2011)
Madan Rao	India	Member	(2014)
Paolo de los Rios	Switzerland	Member	(2014) (2011)
Galina Riznichenko	Russia	Member	(2014) (2011)
Masaki Sasai	Japan	Member	(2014)
Bryan Trevor Sewell	South Africa	Member	(2014)
Francoise Brochard Wyart	France	Member	(2014)
Fridtjof Nusslin	Germany	Associate Member AC4 Medical Physics	2013-2015

#### 2. C6 Activities since April 2015

The main focus of C6 activities since April 2015 has been on organizing the 9<sup>th</sup> IUPAP International Conference on Biological Physics (ICBP2017), a type B conference, which will be held in Brazil 2017.

The C6 secretary, Dr. Rita MC de Almeida from Brazil, is in charge of organizing ICBP2017. She has the experience of organizing a large national conference program in Brazil. Almeida is also very active in applying for financial supports to ICBP2017.

The C6 Chair, Aihua Xie from the United States, has been working with Almeida through skypes and emails. Dr. Xie was the co-chair of the 8<sup>th</sup> IUPAP international Conference on Biological Physics (ICBP2014) which was held in June 2014 in Beijing. In addition, Xie was the chair of the program committee of the ICBP2014.

Initially, the location of ICBP2017 was proposed to be in a large southern city, Port Alegre, where Dr Almeida works. Since many may not heard of this city, we were concerned it

may hurt the attendance. After the C6 Chair consulted C6 members and other colleagues in biological physics, we finally decided to move the ICBP2017 to Rio de Janeiro.

### **Current status of the ICBP2017 preparation:**

- Two co-chairs of the conference
- Location of ICBP2017 and the conference hotel
- Formation of the local organizing committee
- Formation of the International Scientific Program Committee (70% completed)
- Selection of symposium topics (80% completed)
- Application of pre-IBCP2017 financial support from Brazil government