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Report Commission C17 - *Laser Physics and Photonics*

C17 was established by IUPAP in 1975 (as Quantum Electronics) to promote the exchange of information and views among the members of the international scientific community in the general fields of Laser Physics, Photonics and Quantum Electronics.

During the last year we had 2 virtual meetings, on November 20th 2025 and on June 1st, to exchange ideas and to plan the Young Scientist award. We further had to discuss how to re-organize the commission due to personal changes within the election period. We decided on: Kathy Lüdge from Technische Univ. Ilmenau, Germany will serve as Chair in C17, Parinda Vasa from Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, India will serve as Vice-Chair of C17 and Philippe Balcou from U. Bordeaux, France will serve as Secretary of C17.

The prize announcement of the Early Career Scientist Prizes can be found at the website <https://iupap.org/who-we-are/internal-organization/commissions/c17-laser-physics-and-photonics/c17-news/> and was also posted on social media as well as via the scientific communities of the C17 members. The selection and decision process will start in October 2026.

We also decided to support the international conference LPAW-2027(Laser Plasma Accelerators Workshop) in Kerala, India.

Best regards



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