

19 October 2017

Letter sent to the President of the Federative Republic of Brazil, M. Temer, about science funding in Brazil. Signed by *Kennedy Reed*, President IUPAP (the decision about sending this letter had been taken at the 2017 GA: should we include it here?)

20 December 2018

Letter sent to the president of Argentina, M. Macri and to the authorities in science and technology about science in Argentina. Signed by *Kennedy Reed*, President IUPAP. The decision to send this letter was made by the Executive Council and Commission and Affiliated Commission Chairs during the EC and CC meeting that took place in Vilnius, Lithuania, from 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018 to 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018.

2 October 2019

Resolution to accept resignation of President, Kennedy Reed, and acceptance of President Designate, Michel Spiro, to become President.

2 October 2019

Approval by EC & Commission and Affiliated Commission Chairs of slight changes in the IUPAP structure due to the resignation submitted by Kennedy Reed. Namely, it was decided that Bruce McKellar continued to be the past-president. It was also decided that Silvina Ponce Dawson (then Vice-President at large for Gender champion) be nominated President Designate and be appointed as Acting President Designate until the next General Assembly which would make the appointments.

20 November 2019

IUPAP Statement on Collaborative Access to Facilities and Data

A statement on the collaborative access to facilities and data, was proposed and approved by the Executive council and commission chairs, reads as follows:

Physics increasingly involves international collaborations that share in the planning, construction and operation of common apparatus and in the analysis of the resulting data. Such collaboration is most successful when all collaborating scientists have unimpeded access to both physical facilities and to the data that results from their common efforts. We observe a disturbing international trend of restriction of access to facilities, shared data and methods of communication. While nations have legitimate needs to protect their critical facilities and computing systems, they also have a responsibility to find ways to maintain and facilitate access for all international scientific collaborators.

2-5 December 2019

Memorandum of Understanding the IUPAP and the International Commission for Optics on their relation and cooperation to prepare a future International Union of Optics and Photonics signed by *Michel Spiro* (on 2 December) and *Roberta Ramponi* (on 5 December). Approved by EC members and Commission and Affiliated Commission Chairs in October 2019 by e-mail

19 December 2019

Memorandum of Understanding between IUPAP and IUPAC on their Cooperation to Promote Science. Signed by *Michel Spiro*, President of IUPAP, and *Qi-Feng Zhou*, President of IUPAC.

14 January 2020

As per the decision of the C&CC meeting held in October 2019, the office approached Gillian Butcher (then Chair of Working Group 5: Women in Physics) to serve as Acting Vice-

President and Gender Champion until formally ratified at the upcoming General Assembly. The acceptance of Gillian was communicated to the EC.

22 May 2020

Memorandum of Understanding to create the Standing Committee on Gender Equality in Science, SCGES. Signed by the IUPAP and the following partners: International Astronomical Union, International Council of Industrial and Applied Mathematics, International Mathematical Union, International Union of Biological Sciences, International Union of History and Philosophy of Science and Technology, International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry, Association for Computing Machinery, Gender in Science, Innovation, Technology and Engineering. The agreement to create SCGES was approved by EC members through e-mail.

28 May 2020

Decision to postpone the 30<sup>th</sup> IUPAP General Assembly originally scheduled to take place in Beijing, China, in October 2020. Given the COVID19 pandemic and the worldwide lockdowns, the Executive Council made this decision and requested that the Members of IUPAP be asked to confirm the Resolution by email. The process concluded on 28th May 2020 and the Executive Council Resolution was confirmed.

25 June 2020

IUPAP Statement Against Racism and in Favour of Inclusiveness and Diversity. Approval of this statement was given by Executive Council members through e-mail. On July 5<sup>th</sup> the reflection was sent to all IUPAP members for comments. It was also sent to the ISC for the Council to add it to their collection of such statements issued by other unions and by the ISC itself.

26 June 2020

IUPAP Reflection on the Impact of COVID-19, Relating to Women, Meetings and Carbon Footprint. Approval of this statement was given by Executive Council members through e-mail. On July 5<sup>th</sup> the reflection was sent to all IUPAP members for comments and was subsequently published as a news item.

21 October 2020

IUPAP Statement on Virtual Conferences and Worldwide Accessibility. Approved during the EC and CC meeting that was held virtually in October 2020.

21 October 2020

Members of the EC and Commission and Affiliated Commission chairs approve that Silvina Ponce Dawson continues to act as President Designate and Gillian Butcher as Vice President at Large and Gender Champion.

21 October 2020

Members of the EC and Commission and Affiliated Commission chairs approve that Laura Greene be appointed by the EC as Acting Designate Vice President at Large for Outreach and Ethics

21 October 2020

Members of the EC and Commission and Affiliated Commission chairs approve that Boris Sharkov be appointed by the EC as Acting Designate Treasurer.

21 October 2020

Members of the EC and Commission and Affiliated Commission chairs approve that Jens Vigen be appointed by the EC as Acting Deputy Secretary General for one year in charge of the transfer of the IUPAP Headquarters in Geneva

21 October 2020 First Distinguished Long Service Award to IUPAP awarded to: Jackie Beamon-Kiene, Luis Viña, Willem van Oers and Terrance J. Kessler

21 October 2020

Decision to remodel the IUPAP's website and to have it hosted on cloud services.

21 October 2020

Decision to issue a call to host the IUPAP's Administrative Office

21 October 2020

IAPS (International Association of Physics Students) becomes an acting affiliated commission until it becomes an affiliated commission at the next GA

14 December 2020

The EC agrees that the long service award to IUPAP be named after Henri Abraham, the first and longest serving Secretary General (1922-1943) of the Union. It is also decided that the certificate to be sent to the awardees will bear his name.

15 December 2020

Participation in the extraordinary, virtual CODATA General Assembly

3 March 2021

Choice of the proposal submitted by Fondazione Internazionale Trieste of Trieste, Italy, to host the IUPAP Administrative Office.

25 March 2021

Letter of support for the African Strategy for Fundamental and Applied Physics (ASFAP). Signed by *Michel Spiro*.

10 April 2021

Comments on the new IUPAP's Strategic and Action Plan are received by the EC. Based on these comments, the final version of the plan is produced to be approved at the General Assembly.

May 2021

Nomination of Igle Gledhill for ISC Board as Ordinary Member

1 July 2021

MOU between IUPAP and the Trieste International Foundation for Progress and Freedom of Sciences

13 July 2021

Gilian Butcher and Rudzani Nemutudi are nominated to be IUPAP's representative and deputy representative, respectively, at the Standing Committee for Gender Equality in Science.

21 July 2021

MOU between IUPAP and IUHPST/DHPST to create a Inter-Union Commission on the History and Philosophy of Physics with representatives of both unions that will act as Affiliated Commission of the IUPAP. Signed by *M. Spiro* and *M. Osborne*.

