

Executive Summary of the 71st Board Meeting of the EPS Nuclear Physics Division, IPN Orsay, Paris, France 18-19 April 2016

The 71st board Meeting of the EPS Nuclear Physics Division (EPS NPD) was held at IPN Orsay in Paris, France on 18th and 19th April 2016. The board offered its thanks to Faïçal Azaiez (IPN Orsay) for arranging and hosting the meeting.

An open session with a mini-workshop was held during the first morning of the meeting. The workshop was interesting both in giving a flavor of what are the highlights and future prospects of the French nuclear physics community and in giving the opportunity to hear about the initiatives and activities of the French Physical society and its Nuclear physics division. In this respect the board appreciated the effort of the French nuclear physics division in trying to improve the style and content of communication of the community with funding agencies and other scientific communities. The board would like to generalize such initiative at the European level. At the end of the first day of the meeting the board visited the SUPRATECH technological platform and ALTO facility at IPN Orsay.

The board endorsed the recommendation of the Lise Meitner Prize Committee that Prof. Dr. Ulf-G. Meißner, Universität Bonn/Forschungszentrum Jülich is awarded the 2016 Lise Meitner Prize for his developments and applications of effective field theories in hadron and nuclear physics.

Concerning the board membership, the board decided to extend by 3 years Lola Cortina's membership and elected two new members Burcu Çakırlı who is an Associate Professor at Istanbul University and Guy Ron who is an associate professor at Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

The board was very happy to announce that the 2016 EPS Achievement award was attributed to I.J. Douglas MacGregor, for his outstanding leadership skills and his active promotion of the activities of the Nuclear Physics Division, increasing the visibility, significance and impact of the EPS.

The discussion on the organization and advances made by NuPECC for the Long Range Plan lead again the board to manifest its interest for being a proactive body that could help setting the bottom-up process of the Long Range Plan between The community and NuPECC.

The issues related to prizes and distinctions has been extensively covered with various conclusions and actions such as i) The Lise Meitner medal has been solved with the procurement of 10 of them, ii) The next round of IBA and the PhD prizes should start being prepared before the end of summer, iii) the sponsorship of the prizes should continue being identified and encouraged and finally iv) the board should proceed with the future EPS Fellows and Emmy Noether distinction nominations.