

Foundation of the Society

Enrolling in the EPS :

1. G. Bernardini (Director of the Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa)
2. L. A. Artsimovich (Academy of Sciences, USSR)
3. L. Cohen (Secretary of The Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, UK)
4. B. P. Gregory (Director-General, CERN)

In the morning of 26 September, the former Steering Committee, other physicists and representatives of National Societies, gathered in the Council Chamber at CERN. The Constitution of the European Physical Society was on the table before them and they were asked as individuals and as representatives of National Societies whether they wished to join the new Society. Sixty-two individual members and twenty National Societies, Academies and Groups enrolled in the EPS.

Individual Members :

Former steering committee -

J. B. Adams, Harwell
 L. A. Artsimovich, Moscow
 G.-J. Béné, Geneva
 G. Bernardini, Pisa
 H. B. G. Casimir, Eindhoven
 L. Cohen, London
 H. Curien, Paris
 J. de Boer, Amsterdam
 A. de-Shalit, Rehovoth
 A. Eklund, Vienna
 L. Etienne-Amberg (Mrs), Geneva
 H. Filthuth, Heidelberg
 W. Gentner, Heidelberg
 K. Gottstein, Munich
 B. P. Gregory, Geneva
 F. Janouch, Prague
 L. Jansen, Geneva
 J. M. Jauch, Geneva
 P. Jauho, Helsinki
 J. Kaczér, Prague
 J. R. McConnell, Dublin
 K. P. Meyer, Bern
 F. Netter, Paris
 G. Occhialini, Milan
 J. M. Otero de Navascues, Madrid
 F. Perrin, Paris
 Ch. Peyrou, Geneva
 T. G. Pickavance, Chilton
 P. Preiswerk, Geneva
 R. Press, London
 E. Rudberg, Stockholm
 G. H. Stafford, Chilton
 G. Szigeti, Budapest
 J. Tauc, Prague
 P. C. Thonemann, Swansea
 I. Ursu, Cluj
 V. F. Weisskopf, Cambridge, USA
 A. Zichichi, Bologna

Delegates and guests -

M. Belmahi, Rabat
 A. Berthelot, Paris
 G. Boato, Genoa
 C. Braams, Jutphaas
 J. Brossel, Paris
 M. Cini, Bologna
 B. Coles, London
 W. Dekeyser, Ghent
 S. F. Edwards, Manchester
 J. Friedel, Paris
 M. R. Gavin, London
 W. Jentschke, Hamburg
 A. Kastler, Paris
 M. Kersten, Braunschweig
 E. Lüscher, Munich
 Z. Plajner, Prague
 E. Richter, Frankfurt
 K. H. Riewe, Hanau
 A. Salam, Trieste
 W. Thirring, Geneva
 T. di Francia, Bologna
 G. Turchanyi, Budapest
 Y. Yelvin, Tel Aviv
 F. J. Yndurain, Geneva

Societies, Academies and Groups :

Österreichische Physikalische Gesellschaft
 AUSTRIA (W. Thirring)
 Société Belge de Physique
 Belgische Natuurkundige Vereniging
 BELGIUM (W. Dekeyser)
 Jednota ceskoslovenských matematiků a fyziků
 CZECHOSLOVAKIA (Z. Plajner)
 Suomen Fyysikköseura
 FINLAND (J. Jauho)
 Société Française de Physique
 FRANCE (J. Brossel)
 Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft e. V.
 FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY (M. Kersten)
 Eötvös Loránd Fizikai Társulat
 HUNGARY (G. Szigeti)
 Royal Irish Academy
 IRELAND (J. R. McConnell)
 Israel Physical Society
 ISRAEL (Y. Yelvin)
 Società Italiana di Fisica
 ITALY (G. Toraldo di Francia)
 Nederlandse Natuurkundige Vereniging
 NETHERLANDS (C. Braams)
 Comitetul National de Fizica Romania
 RUMANIA (I. Ursu)
 Real Sociedad Española de Física y Química
 SPAIN (J. M. Otero de Navascues)
 Swedish Society of Physicists
 SWEDEN (E. Rudberg)
 Schweizerische Physikalische Gesellschaft
 Société suisse de Physique
 SWITZERLAND (K. P. Meyer)
 The Institute of Physics and the Physical Society
 UNITED KINGDOM (M. R. Gavin)
 Academy of Sciences of the USSR
 USSR (L. A. Artsimovich)
 Physical Section of the Yugoslav Association of Mathematicians, Physicists, and Astronomers
 YUGOSLAVIA (L. Slaus)

European Plasma Physics Group
 (P. C. Thonemann)

Groupement AMPERE
 (G.-J. Béné)

(Some of the National Societies joined subject to ratification by their own Councils.)



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Executive Committee

The enrolled members of the Society elected the following Executive Committee to guide the affairs of the EPS until the first Council is elected at the Inaugural Conference in Florence.

President : Gilberto BERNARDINI

Born 20 August 1906 in Florence (Italy).

Studied physics at Pisa, Florence and Berlin.

Former President, Italian Physical Society.

Present principal position : Rector, Scuola

Normale Superiore, Pisa.

Vice-President: Erik Gustaf RUDBERG

Born 17 November 1902 in Stockholm (Sweden).

Studied physics at Stockholm, Göttingen and

London. Chairman, Symbols units nomenclature

commission IUPAP. Member, Royal Society of

Science and Letters, Sweden. Present principal

position : Professor and Secretary, Royal Academy

of Science, Stockholm.

Secretary : Laurens JANSEN

Born 25 March 1923 in Terborg (Netherlands).

Studied physics and chemistry at Utrecht and

Leyden. Professor, University of Maryland, USA,

until 1959. Present principal position : Head,

Basic Research, Battelle Institute, Geneva.

Vice-Secretary : Frantisek JANOUC

Born 22 September 1931 in Lysa nad Labem

(Czechoslovakia). Studied physics at Leningrad.

Habilitation at Charles University Prague.

Present principal position : Head, Theoretical

Nuclear Physics Department, Nuclear Research

Institute, Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences.

Treasurer : Louis COHEN

Born 1925. Studied physics at Manchester and

London. Extensive experience in industrial

research, covering wide variety of subjects.

Present principal position : Secretary (Chief

Executive Officer), The Institute of Physics and

the Physical Society, London.

Vice-Treasurer : Georges-Jean BENE

Born 23 August 1919 in St. Jeoire (France).

Studied physics at Paris. Maître de recherches,

CNRS; Secretary-General of Groupement AMPERE.

Present principal position : Professor of

experimental physics at Universities of Grenoble

and Geneva.

Member : Jan de BOER

Born 1911. Studied at Amsterdam. Member,

Netherlands Royal Academy of Sciences;

Chairman, Foundation for Fundamental Research

of Matter of the Netherlands. Present principal

position : Professor of theoretical physics,

Municipal University of Amsterdam.

Member : Hubert CURIEN

Born 1924. Studied physics at Paris.

Member, Executive Committee, International

Union of Crystallography. Present principal

position : Scientific Director, Centre National

de la Recherche Scientifique (physical sciences),

Paris.

Member : Joseph JAUCH

Born 20 September 1914 in Lucerne (Switzerland).

Studied physics at Zürich, Princeton and

Minnesota. Professor at University of Iowa until

1958. Present principal position : Professor and

Director of Theoretical Physics, University of

Geneva.

Member : Wolfgang GENTNER

Born 23 July 1906. Studied physics at Erlangen

and Frankfurt. Present principal position: Director,

Max-Planck-Institute for Nuclear Physics,

Heidelberg and Professor of Physics, University

of Heidelberg.

Member : George SZIGETI

Born 29 January 1905 in Szentcs (Hungary).

Studied mechanical engineering and technical

physics at Budapest. Member of the Presidium

of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences until 1964.

Present principal position : Director, Research

Institute for Technical Physics of the Hungarian

Academy of Sciences, Budapest.

The Constitution

I. Name - Duration - Seat - Purpose

Article 1

1. Under the name of European Physical Society (EPS), an association has been organized and incorporated; it is governed by Article 60 and following of the Swiss Civil Code and by the present Constitution.

2. Its duration shall be perpetual.

3. Its seat is in Geneva, Switzerland.

Article 2

1. The purpose of the Society is and shall be to contribute to and promote the advancement of physics, in Europe and in neighbouring countries, by all suitable means and in particular :

a) by providing a forum for the discussion of subjects of common interest;

b) by providing means whereby action can be taken on those matters which it appears desirable to handle on the international level.

2. In order to fulfil its purpose, the Society shall act either directly or through its members or through specialized divisions created by its members or through corresponding or affiliated societies or groups.

II. Membership

Article 3

The membership of the Society shall consist of Ordinary Members, Fellows, Associate Members and Honorary Members.

Article 4

The following individuals, legal persons or bodies may become Ordinary Members of the Society :

a) individuals who have shown by their contribution to European science, by their professional activity or otherwise, to the Council's satisfaction, that they can further the cause and object of the Society;

b) societies, groups or laboratories organized or existing under the laws of the State of their incorporation

or of their seat and which, in the Council's opinion, make a significant contribution to European science;

c) individuals who are members of a society or group which has been accepted as an Ordinary Member of EPS and who fulfil the conditions laid down in the foregoing paragraph provided such individual membership in EPS is not precluded by the Constitution or by-laws of their society or group.

Article 5

The Society may elect to Fellowship only such individuals as have made a significant contribution to the advancement of physics by independent, original research, or have rendered some other special service to the cause of science.

Article 6

The Society may also admit Associate Members and Honorary Members who shall have the rights and privileges determined by the by-laws.

Article 7

The procedure for the election of members is regulated by the by-laws.

Article 8

Membership of the Society implies strict adherence to the Constitution, to the by-laws and to any lawful decision made or to be made by the organs or officers of the Society.

Article 9

Members are not personally liable for the debts and liabilities of the Society, which is only liable to the extent of its assets.

Article 10

Membership is terminated :

a) by withdrawal, if notified at least six months in advance for the end of the year;

b) by death;

c) by expulsion, which can be decided by the Council pursuant to Article 15 and to the by-laws.