INTERNATIONAL RADIATION PHYSICS SOCIETY

The International Radiation Physics Society (IRPS) was founded on 29 September 1985 at the Third International Symposium on Radiation Physics and is enrolling individual members.

The constitution of the IRPS defines Radiation Physics as "the branch of science which deals with the physical aspects of interactions of ionizing radiations (both electromagnetic and particulate) with matter". "The primary objective of the Society is to promote the global exchange and integration of scientific information pertaining to the interdisciplinary subject of radiation physics", including "the promotion of (i) theoretical and experimental research in radiation physics, (ii) investigation of physical aspects of interactions of radiations with living systems, (iii) education in radiation physics, (iv) utilization of radiations for peaceful purposes". The Society, is publishing a Newsletter and will continue to sponsor the series of International Symposia on Radiation Physics.

The first President of the IRPS is Dr. P.K. Iyengar, Director of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Bombay, India. Information regarding individual membership in the Society may be obtained from its Secretary:

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Europhysics Letters

As subscribers to Europhysics Letters will already have remarked, the 64-page issue is now regularly established, and an extra large issue has even been published to avoid creating a back-log. Contributions while still less even geographically and subject than is planned in the long-term are arriving at a highly satisfactory rate, and it has been necessary to build up more rapidly than expected the panel of referees. Some teething troubles in follow-up procedures which introduced undesirable delays in a few cases have now been largely resolved and the Journal can be said to be running smoothly.

Because of the increase in the number of pages to be published this year (vols. I and II over and above those foreseen — 1696 as against 1536 and in the expectancy that the level will be maintained next year in vols. III and IV, the subscription rates for 1987 are:

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Invitation from Japan

Members of the European Physical Society are invited to present their original papers at the 1987 Annual Meeting of the Physical Society of Japan which will be held at the Nagoya Institute of Technology from 27 to 30 March 1987. In accordance with the agreement made with EPS by the Physical Society of Japan when it became a Collaborating Society, EPS Individual Members are accorded the same status at the Annual Meeting (this is the 42nd) as members of the home society. Closing date for applications to present papers is 12 December 1986.

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