

German Physics Moves Towards Unity

It was announced in Munich on 4 March at the 54th Physikertagung by Professor Folberth and Professor Röpke, the Presidents of the German Physical Society and the Physical Society of the GDR respectively, that their Boards have, in accordance with the members' wishes, agreed to merge the two Societies. Some 97 per cent of the GDR society's members who replied to a poll (two-thirds of a total membership approaching 2500) were in agreement.

A task force has been formed and one of its two committees is charged with preparing the necessary arrangements within the legal constraints designed to protect the interests of all members.

Many from the GDR, especially young physicists, participated at the Frühjahrs-tagung 1990 which was held at the same time as the Physikertagung. It was also announced in separate, warmly received ad-

resses by the two Presidents, and in a joint communique issued following long discussions, that a similar participation would be encouraged at future conferences in Munich, Regensburg, Hamburg, Giessen and Strasbourg, which would now be organised jointly.

Prior to the announcement, Professor Folberth had met with the GDR society and had invited it to send a delegation to Munich.

The Editorial Board of *Physikalische Blätter*, the bulletin of the German Physical Society, will be expanded to include two members from the GDR's physical society. The journal is now available to the society's members at an attractive price (25.- DMDR per year) and many have taken up the offer. It is naturally hoped that all members will eventually receive copies.

The Presidents pointed out that the Ger-

man Physical Society follows on in the tradition of the Physical Society founded in Berlin in 1845. The aim of the unified society, comprising some 20000 members, would be to promote physics in the broadest possible sense, mindful that the members stand for freedom, truth and dignity and an awareness that they are responsible for promoting the highest possible human values.

The Physical Society of the GDR presently occupies the original headquarters of the Physical Society — a splendid, centrally situated villa in Berlin. One important task will be to work out its status once the society in the GDR is no longer linked directly to the Academy of Sciences.

Both Presidents acknowledged that the rapid move towards a merger — one that is being held up as the first of its kind in Germany — would not have been possible without the EPS's role in providing a forum within which both parties were able to meet over many years.

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