



PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON DECISIONS TAKEN SINCE THE LAST OPEN SESSION IN JUNE 2018

- In Restricted Session in September, the Council
 - ✓ approved an ICA with El Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología (CONACYT) of the Republic of Paraguay
 - ✓ supported implementation of the Science Gateway along the lines described by the Management - but no financial commitments for the Organization for the time being

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- On European matters in September, the Council:

- ✓ agreed on composition of PPG and ESG and thus
- ✓ launched the update of the European Strategy for Particle Physics

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- At its Closed Session in September, on geographical enlargement, the Council agreed:
 1. that the conditions and procedures for accession to Membership and Associate Membership currently in force will continue to apply to current Associate Member States in the pre-stage to Membership and to applications already submitted, as well as to any new applications or expressions of interest received from countries with which discussions have already opened;
 2. that the Management should not actively solicit new applications or enter into formal discussions with new applicant states until the new rules are in place, subject to a review of the situation by the Council in September 2019; and
 3. that the Director-General should enter discussions with any State whose application has been stalled for - the deadline for action is 15 February 2019

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- Elections and appointments in September

- ✓ Dr U. Bassler was elected President of the Council for a first term of office of one year, with effect from 1 January 2019;
- ✓ Professor P. Levai was elected Vice-President of the Council for a first term of office of one year from the same date;
- ✓ Mr E. Mersel was reappointed as expert member of the Audit Committee for a period of two years.

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- At its Restricted Session yesterday, the Council approved:
 - ✓ addition of the “Globe Public Events” as an additional project for private donor funding within the framework of the CERN & Society programme;
 - ✓ acceptance of grants from the United States’ Mission to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva in support of the COLLIDE project and the Globe Public Events programme;
 - ✓ the proposal to commence the next five-yearly review process in 2019 and to conclude it in 2021;
 - ✓ an overall Cost-Variation Index for 2019 of 1.83%, with 1.02% indexation of the personnel budget and 2.64% indexation of the materials budget. The Member State contributions for 2019 will thus be indexed by the overall CVI figure, 1.83% (“corridor principle”).

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- Elections and appointments in December

- ✓ Professor K. Ellis Chair was re-elected of the Scientific Policy Committee for a third and final period of one year, as of 1 January;
- ✓ Professor H. Aihara and Professor J. Wessels were appointed as new members of the SPC for a period of three years as of 1 January;
- ✓ Professor L. Baudis, Professor R. Brinkmann and Professor Y. Nir were reappointed as members of the SPC for second terms of office of three years as of 1 January;
- ✓ Mr O. Malmberg was re-elected Chair of the Finance Committee for a third and final period of one year as of 1 January;
- ✓ Professor U. Dosselli was re-elected Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee for a third and final period of one year as of 1 January;
- ✓ Dr V. Halloin was reappointed as member of the PFGB for a second and final period of three years with effect from 1 January;
- ✓ Professor J. Królikowski was appointed to the Council fundraising sub-group.

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- And last but not least...

At its Closed Session yesterday, the Council passed Resolutions admitting:

✓ Serbia as a Member State

and

✓ Croatia as an Associate Member State.

Both decisions subject to completion by the countries of the relevant internal procedures.

