

AGREEMENT FOR EDUCATIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

BETWEEN

**THE ABDUS SALAM INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR THEORETICAL
PHYSICS**

AND

**THE STATE COMMITTEE OF SCIENCE OF THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
AND SCIENCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA**

The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP) and the State Committee of Science of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia (SCS), recognizing the importance of collaboration for enhancing research in the physical and mathematical sciences in Armenia, have agreed on the following points:

On the part of the SCS:

- (A) A one-time contribution of Euro 50,000 to the ICTP endowment fund
- (B) A yearly contribution of not less than Euro 10,000 to the ICTP.

On the part of ICTP:

In light of (A) and (B) above the Commissioner of Science of the Republic of Armenia or their appointee will have the right to sit on the International Activities Board of the ICTP. This board overlooks and advises the ICTP on its international activities giving particular attention to all levels of intervention, be it by country, region or globally.

Furthermore, the ICTP agrees to devote funds of no less than that specified in (B) above to the:

I. Organization of regional schools, workshops and conferences in Armenia, subject to the terms of ICTP's Office of External Activities and provided that the activities are compatible with ICTP's mission vis-à-vis developing countries.

II. Support of Armenian students and active scientists who are not more than 45 years old to visit ICTP for periods to be determined jointly by ICTP and the State Committee. The visits will coincide with ongoing and relevant activities at ICTP. The selection of researchers for such visits shall be made by ICTP on the basis of advice of the State Committee.

III. Support of regional research networks between Armenia and neighbouring countries.

For the future:

The parties will consider the possible creation of a co-funded ICTP Affiliated Centre in Armenia. The aim of this Affiliated Centre is to foster the growth of advanced studies and research in physics and related sciences in the region, to provide an international forum for the exchange of information, ideas and scientists between the two signatories of this document.

This Agreement shall enter into force after the signature of both parties and will cover the subsequent 5-year (five-year) duration. The Agreement may be terminated by either party by giving three months' written notice to that effect.

Done in 2 (two) original copies in English and Armenian, both of them being equally valid. In case of any disagreements within the interpretation of this Agreement the preference will be given to the English text.

For ICTP

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Prof. S. Haroutiunian

Chairman



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