

## **EPS YM committee meeting report #6**

May 5, 2012, 09h00-16h30

European Physical Society Headquarters

### **Committee members:** [all present]

Armand Niederberger, Giovanni Volpe, Antigone Marino, Maciej Kolwas, David Lee, Ophelia Fornari, Luisa Cifarelli

**Guests:** Luisa Cifarelli (EPS President), Anna Bakenecker (jDPG), Ralph Lenssen (IAPS)

### **Decisions:**

1. EPS Young Minds and jDPG are considering joint grants for collaborative activities between jDPG/EPSYM local sections from Germany and other European countries. For this, both societies would set aside 1000 euros. Awarded money will only be paid as reimbursements for actual costs, based on receipts. Anna Bakenecker will discuss the proposal to (j)DPG and let us know if (j)DPG supports this proposal.
2. EPS Young Minds, Optics & Photonics Focus (OPFocus), and IAPS are considering to establish a joint grant to support outstanding outreach activities. Both EPSYM and OPFocus are willing to match the IAPS grant of 400 euros for such a project.
3. EPS Young Minds invites jDPG, IAPS, and young members associated with member societies to use the EPSYM facebook group as a platform for communications.
4. EPS Young Minds has a budget of 15000 Euros per year.
5. EPS Young Minds reaches out to its member sections once every three months to follow up on their activities, and to advertise them in an EPSYM-internal newsletter. Furthermore, we will submit interesting activities to the e-EPS newsletter.
6. EPS will award the best outreach project with a "Young Minds Outreach Award". This will be given to the sections instead of individual members to avoid tensions within a section.
7. Since this year Young Minds will take care of the EPS Poster Calendar.
8. Luisa Cifarelli encourages members of the YM action committee to join the boards (as member or observer) of EPS divisions and groups to integrate YM project with other EPS activities:
  - Educational Division
  - Physics for Development
  - Equal Opportunities
  - Asia-Europe Summit
  - Historical Sites
  - Forum on Physics and Society
9. Luisa Cifarelli investigates the possibility of lowering the EPS membership fee to 5 euros for EPSYM members of national societies.
10. David will write down a list of benefits for EPS students member (fellowship, travel grants, etc) to promote EPS membership.
11. Antigone and Ophelia will prepare advertisement to promote YM at the next EPS conferences.
12. Next grants deadline is 30 June 2012.
13. Dudley will be invited at the next committee meeting.