

# EPS 2021 – 2024 & the BPU 11 Congress

11 April 2024

# Societ

# 1/ The European Physical Society

Headquarters in Mulhouse, France

Office in Brussels, Belgium



42 Member Societies

3500 individual members

Representing more than 130,000 European Physicists

40 Associated Members research infrastructures, universities, companies

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# Facilitating physics research

11 scientific divisions

7 Interdisciplinary

thematic groups

Conferences, grants

Scientific journals

EPL, EPJ

**Prizes and Awards** 

### & addressing societal challenges

Forum Physics and Society

**Physics Division** 

**Equal Opportunities** 

**European Integration** 

**EPS Historic Sites** 

Physics for Development

### **Main objectives (2021 – 2024)**

Statement (2020): "Establish EPS as a major policy-making organisation in Europe with strong visibility and recognition"

- Consolidate Past Initiatives: Develop "Physics for Development"
  - 2022: Int'l Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development
- Enhance our partnerships with Eastern countries
  - from Balkans to Baltic States
- Enlarge EPS visibility to the industrial world
- Promote and help Young Physicists. Set up a regular Forum
  - More dense networking with MS & D/G

# 2/ The EPS Forum 2022

ROUND TABLE

K. ZACH, DPG

"ERC & Widening Participation"

E. SÁNCHEZ (moderator), EPS

Policy Officer, Brussels, Belgium.

M. SPIRO, IUPAP President and

Chair of the IYBSSD 2022, France.

G. DJORDJEVIC, University of

R. CONSTANTINESCU, EPS -

Chair of the European Integration

Nis & President of the Balkan

S. KOSTKA, National

Science Centre, Poland.

representative, Germany.

Physical Union, Serbia.

Committee, Romania.



487 registered participants
184 students
30 countries



### The EPS Forum 2024



HENRY FORD BUILDING, FREIE UNIVERSITÄT, BERLIN





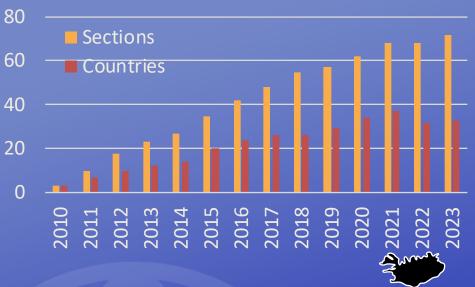








### | The Young Minds Network (2023)

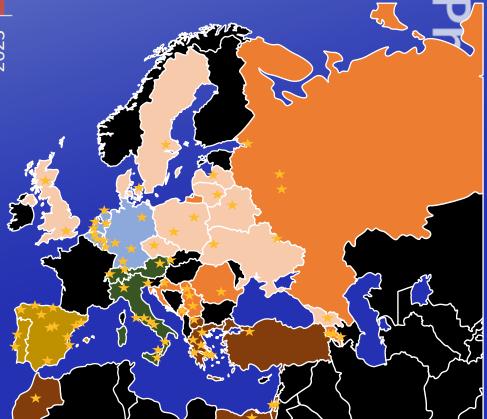


73 Sections in 33 countries divided in 6 zones for communications

Zone 1 Zone 2

Zone 3 Zone 4

Zone 5 Zone 6



## WG 3: Phys4Dev & Eastern States

APS-ICTP-EPS-FECS Travel Grants: Pilot Program for 3 years

EPS, ICTP, APS + FECS each provide \$5K annually for 4 travel grants.

2022:

11 applications received

2023:

44 applications received

- IYBSSD 2022: Participation of the EPS in
  - Opening & Closing Ceremonies + dedicated actions
  - International Decade SSD: Earth-Humanity Coalition



- BPU: A collaborating society of the EPS
  - BPU 11 Congress (28 Aug. 1 Sept. 2022)
- Several events supported by the EPS (BPO, SEENET etc.)
- FOUNDED 1985

- Actions for AFRICA supported by EPS
  - Training workshops on solar Photovoltaics + 5th UFPLP Conference

### 3/ BPU 11 Congress - SASA

EPS was co-organiser, partner and sponsor

LB was member of the international organizing committee

David Lee, (former) EPS Secretary General, addressed the audience,

on behalf of EPS

15 Scientific Sections

12 Plenary speakers

**5 Round Tables** 





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### **BPU 11 Congress**

Round table RT1 – HEP – Roadmaps to the future

Round table RT2 – Integration – Widening Participation

Round table RT3 (Young Minds) – Career in Physics

Round table RT4 (Young Minds) – Quantum and New Technologies

Round table RT5 – Models of Studying Physics in European Universities – Specificities in Balkan Countries

The closing ceremony held on September 1st with LB.

Signature of the MoA making BPU a collaborating society of EPS

### **BPU 11 Publications**

Eur. Phys. J. Plus (2024) 139:271 https://doi.org/10.1140/epjp/s13360-024-05083-5 THE EUROPEAN
PHYSICAL JOURNAL PLUS

### Editorial



### Focus point on physics in the Balkans: perspectives and challenges

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