

## **Proposal Regarding Preliminary Support of Conferences**

Currently IUPAP in general decides its sponsorship of a conference/workshop just a few months before the year in which it is held. By that time, however, in many cases a Commission of IUPAP has decided on the location of the meeting several years in advance, and it has been advertised on the web.

Because IUPAP deserves to be better known in the physics community than it is now it would be appropriate that these conferences and workshops be given preliminary support to the extent that the organisers are allowed to put the IUPAP logo on their website as soon as it is constructed. Under the present circumstances, by the time IUPAP approves such a meeting and permits the use of its logo, the website has been so long in existence that the addition to it of the involvement of IUPAP is hardly noticeable, in spite of the fact that the relevant Commission may have been heavily involved in its initiation.

Due to lack of knowledge about our budget situation we propose that the preliminary support be given on an unclassified basis and the meeting not be ranked A, B or C until the year before it takes place. At this time the level of financial support for the conference or workshop will be determined by the Council.

Naturally, for the final approval the conference has to satisfy the normal IUPAP requirements as stipulated in

<http://iupap.org/sponsored-conferences/conference-policies/> .