Visitors Exchange Agreement between the International Centre for Theoretical Physics – South American Institute for Fundamental Research (ICTP-SAIFR) and the Institut de Physique Théorique (IPhT) CEA-Saclay, Paris

The purpose of this agreement is to encourage scientific exchange visits and collaborations between researchers at ICTP-SAIFR and IPhT CEA-Saclay (hereinafter referred collectively to as “Parties“ and individually to as “Party”) in order to promote progress in all research areas of common interest, to build academic ties between the two Parties and to collaborate on their programmes for the promotion of science at the international level.

It is agreed that:

1. Postdocs, advanced PhD students and faculty researchers at both institutions will be encouraged to spend extended visits of two to four weeks at the other Party.

In order to qualify for such a visit, a candidate must submit a request at least two months prior to the visit. The request should explain the benefit of the proposed visit and contain a brief description of the research to be undertaken during the visit.

IPhT CEA-Saclay will support the economy class travel costs of IPhT CEA-Saclay researchers coming to ICTP-SAIFR, and ICTP-SAIFR will support the economy class travel costs of ICTP-SAIFR researchers coming to IPhT CEA-Saclay.

The host Party will provide office space and computing facilities, and will cover local costs in the form of accommodation and living expenses. The allotted contribution for living expenses will be at the discretion of the host Party.

During the period of visit, such visiting researcher shall be subject to the rules and regulations (including security regulations) in force at the premises of the host Party and shall comply with all the instructions given by the directors or their nominated representatives of the host Party’s premises. All such rules and regulations shall be drawn to the attention of such visiting researcher prior to or during their visits to the premises of the host Party.

Upon completion of the visit, a short report will be provided by the visiting researcher to the host Party explaining the research outcomes of the visit. It will be the responsibility of each Party to ensure that satisfactory reports from its own members are submitted.

Where the research visit results in one or more publications, the Parties shall give their written approval prior to such publication. The host Party shall be acknowledged in the paper, and notified prior to the submission of the publications and when they are published.
Normally, a maximum of one such visit will be supported for each PhD student, postdoctoral or faculty researcher per year.

A maximum total of twelve (12) weeks of exchange will be supported by each Party each year.

2. Both institutions will collaborate on the organization of joint research programs, workshops and schools on subjects of common interest. Scientists of both Parties are encouraged to propose such activities.

The Parties may enter into a specific written agreement for each such activities (hereinafter referred to as “the Specific Agreement”) which shall contain suitable provisions, in particular on contributions of each Party to the activity, technical scope and total costs as well as the terms and conditions that shall apply to the activity.

3. Each Party takes charge of the insurance coverage for its own Postdocs, advanced PhD students and faculty researchers in accordance with applicable legal requirements for occupational injuries and occupational diseases. Consequently, each Party must fulfil the required formalities and sustain all the costs, if any, involved in the insurance underwritten to cover its own staff against the risks.

Each Party undertakes to inform the other Party of any incident or damage occurring to the Postdocs, advanced PhD students and faculty researchers of the latter while visiting the former under this agreement in order to allow such other Party to make the necessary declarations required by the applicable laws within the prescribed time.

Each Party is liable, in accordance with the applicable law, for damages caused by its Postdocs, advanced PhD students and faculty researchers to the staff of the other Party.

Each Party will designate a coordinator who will receive requests for visits and organization of programs/workshops/schools under this agreement and ensure that they are dealt with in a timely manner.

This agreement shall become effective as of the last date in time adjacent the signatures of all the Parties and shall continue in full force for a period of two (2) years. Three (3) months before the date of expiry, the Parties shall consult each other in order to decide whether this agreement shall be extended for a further two years period according to an amendment signed by both Parties or not.

This agreement is drawn up and executed in English, in two (2) original counterparts, one for each Party.

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