

Minutes of the IOCB Board meeting No. 8/2017 on August 1st, 2017.

Present: Ullrich Jahn, Pavel Jungwirth, Pavlína Maloy Řezáčová, Radim Nencka, Petr Slavíček, Petr Svoboda,

Excused: Tomáš Obšil, Radek Pohl, Pavel Šácha

Guests: Zdeněk Hostomský, Iva Pichová

Secretary: Irena Valterová

1. *Evaluation of group leaders.* Several group leaders were evaluated on July 14-15, 2017 by the International Advisory Board (3 junior groups, 3 senior group leaders who reached the age 65 or more, and 6 junior groups – interim evaluation). The director informed about the event and its results. The recommendation of the IAB was a) to promote 2 junior groups to senior ones (E. Bouřa, P. Cígler), b) to extend the junior group of K. Stříšovský by 2 years followed by evaluation in 2019, c) to extend the term of J. Michl by 3 years, d) to terminate the group of I. Rosenberg, and e) to terminate the group of V. Kašička, with the recommendation to keep the technology, if interest at IOCB exists. The director will enable I. Rosenberg and V. Kašička to finish their grant projects (end 2019).

2. *Interview of a new junior group leader.* The director informed that Zuzana Kečkéšová, the applicant for a junior group leader position, was interviewed. She succeeded in getting a 5-year grant from a private company for her projected independent research. She was recommended by IAB for the position.

3. *Evaluation rules.* Next evaluation will take place in 2018 (all senior groups + one junior group will apply for promotion – R. Nencka). The Board intends to discuss and together with the director define evaluation rules more precisely.

4. *New member of the Supervisory Board of IOCB TTO and i&i Prague.* The board suggested candidates for members of two supervisory boards, for IOCB TTO and i&i Prague.

IOCB TTO – candidates (votes):

Pavlína Maloy Řezáčová (4), Radim Nencka (1)

i&i Prague - candidates (votes):

Petr Slavíček (3), Radim Nencka (2), Petr Svoboda (1)

Result: Pavlína Maloy Řezáčová is nominated for the Supervisory Board IOCB TTO, Petr Slavíček is nominated for the Supervisory Board i&i Prague.

5. *OPVVV Mobility Grants.* Iva Pichová informed about a call for projects in the program OPVVV Mobility. The projects are meant for 12 months and more, it covers stays of Czech

scientists abroad and accepting of foreign scientists in CR. The Board recommends that IOCB should apply. Also, the Academy of Sciences calls for topics for Framework 9 – topics should be suggested not later than August 31. U. Jahn will organize per rollam discussion about it.

6. *Interdisciplinary Grants IOCB*. L. Rulišek prepared draft/suggestions for the rules. Radim Nencka agreed to get in contact with him and prepare material for the IOCB Board for further discussion. In this connection, a possibility of renewing the Bridging Grant Program at IOCB was discussed and will be on the program of some of the future meetings.

7. *IOCB Strategy of Basic Research*. Pavel Jungwirth informed about discussions and finalizing the material. A document “IOCB Strategy for Development in Basic Research 2017-2021” has been prepared.

8. *Women in Science*. P. Maloy Řezáčová informed about a workshop that took place at IOCB on July 13 and hosted by Cindy Burrows, a member of IAB IOCB. About 50 women from IOCB attended the workshop. Many topics such as the position of women in science, women in leading positions, and balance between scientific and family duties were brought up and the participants attempted to find solutions to these issues. IOCB administration is supportive in finding solutions to reach gender equality at IOCB and supports organizing similar events in the future.

The next board meeting will take place on September 13th, 2017.

August 18, 2017.