

Minutes of the IOCB Board Meeting No. 11/2017 on November 29, 2017.

Present: Ullrich Jahn, Pavel Jungwirth, Radim Nencka, Radek Pohl, Tomáš Obšil,
Petr Slavíček, Petr Svoboda, Pavel Šácha

Excused: Pavlína Maloy Řezáčová

Guest: Zdeněk Hostomský

Secretary: Irena Valterová

1. *Preparations of Senior Group Evaluation.* In 2018, all senior groups and one junior group will be evaluated. The Board members ask the director to provide them with all necessary deadlines and materials.

2. *IOCB Off Site Retreat.* The IOCB retreat will take place in May (28.5.-31.5.2018) in hotel Zámek Valeč, Českomoravská vrchovina. The group leaders will have freedom to select the form and speakers presenting their groups. The external Board members are welcome to participate in the retreat.

3. *Dream Chemistry Award.* Five applicants were selected for on-site presentations of their projects. The lectures (30 min each) will take place on December 4, presentations will be public. The IOCB Board members will evaluate the talks and select the best project. The winner will be announced on Dec. 5 and he/she will also have a presentation on his/her own research. The award is 10,000 Euro.

4. *IOCB Strategy.* Some parts of the prepared document, especially concerning the strategy in applied and translational research, are not yet completed. The Board will invite M. Fusek for the January meeting to clarify some issues. Also, the director was asked to specify “core facilities” in the strategical document. After finalizing the document, it will be posted on the IOCB website.

5. *Invited lectures and Tony Holý lecture.* The Board members considered 37 suggestions for the “IOCB Invited Lecture Series” and newly introduced “Tony Holý Lecture”. Two speakers were selected for the “Tony Holý Lecture” 2018, Gerhard Klebe (University of Marburg) and Kevan Shokat (University of California San Francisco). Ten speakers were selected for the “IOCB Invited Lecture Series”: Zhenan Bao (Stanford University), Frances H. Arnold (Rosen Bioengineering Center, California), Chad A. Mirkin (International Institute for Nano-technology and Center for Nanofabrication and Molecular Self-Assembly at Northwestern University), Martin Jinek (University of Zurich), Frank Neese (MPI Chemical Energy Conversion, Muellheim), Fabiola Gianotti (European Organization for Nuclear Research, CERN), Varinder Aggarwal (University of Bristol), Stephen K. Hashmi (Heidelberg University), Benjamin F. Cravatt (The Scripps Research Institute, Scripps, California), and Huw M. L. Davies (Emory University).

6. *Interdisciplinary Grants*. The director's office obtained five applications for the IOCB Interdisciplinary Grants. The selection committee will consist of the director, external members of the IOCB Board (T. Obšil, P. Slavíček, P. Svoboda) and J. Moravcová (ICT Prague). The committee will meet on December 19, 2017.

7. *Legal Issues*. The director informed the board members on pending lawsuits and expected legal proceedings involving IOCB.

8. *Detlef Schröder Seminars*. As discussed on the previous Board meeting, the Board should actively search for candidates for future group leaders (especially talented juniors). To this end and also to bring in distinguished speakers from the Czech Republic, a new series of lectures ("Detlef Schröder Seminars") is being introduced, organized by Luboš Rulíšek. In this context, 3 names of suggested invited speakers were already selected: Martin Jínek (University of Zurich), Corinna S. Schindler (Department of Chemistry, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor), and Maya Schuldiner (Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel).

The next board meeting will take place in the director's meeting room on January 17, 2018, at 10 am.

November 30, 2017.