COOPERATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE POLISH PHYSICAL SOCIETY
(POLSKIE TOWARZYSTWO FIZYCZNE)

AND

THE PHYSICAL SOCIETY
OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN)

To enhance scientific relations and improve communications between physicists in Poland and Taiwan, the Polish Physical Society (PPS) and the Physical Society of the Republic of China (PSROC) agree the following:

1. Scientific contacts

1.a. The PPS and the PSROC will facilitate contacts between physicists in Taiwan and Poland promoting direct liaison between individual scientists, laboratories and institutes, encouraging and facilitating attendance at conferences, symposia, summer schools and other scientific meetings in Taiwan and Poland.

1.b. The PPS and the PSROC will provide advice and information to assist physicists from both countries to carry out visits to the other country.

2. Information exchange

2.a. The PPS and the PSROC will exchange information concerning scientific projects, which may be of interest to the other side.

2.b. The PPS and the PSROC will, on a regular basis, exchange information about planned conferences, symposia, specialized seminars, summer schools and other meetings, which may be of interest to physicists of the other country.

2.c. The PPS and the PSROC will provide assistance to each other in making available scientific literature, which is not available or difficult to obtain in the other country.

2.d. The PPS and the PSROC will exchange information concerning teaching physics at secondary and tertiary level.

2.e. The PPS and the PSROC will provide one free subscription of its journals to an institution nominated by the receiving side, during the time of the agreement duration.

3. Exchange of physicists

3.a. The PPS and the PSROC will arrange for financial support to enable the participation of physicists from the other country, in particular young physicists under the age of 30, in conferences, symposia, specialized seminars, summer schools and other meetings in their own country.
3.b. The sending side will meet the round trip fares of its own physicists. The receiving side will arrange and defray the costs of accommodation and living expenses of incoming visitors as well as travel within the country necessitated by the scientific program.

3.c. The sending side will supply the host side with essential details of its nominated physicists not later than two months before the proposed date of arrival in the host country. Essential details needed are:
   --Full name and title;                    --Languages spoken;
   --Date of birth;                        --Desired dates of visit and length of stay;
   --Area of specialization;              --Proposed itinerary;
   --Principal publications                --Any other requirements
The receiving side is to inform the sending side, as soon as possible after receipt of visit request, of any difficulties in realization of the proposed visit and consequential changes of the program.

4. Procedures

4.a. On the PPS side, contacts between the two partners will be managed by the General Secretary. On the PSROC side, contacts between the two partners will be managed by the Chairperson of the International Affairs Committee.

4.b. The PPS and the PSROC will provide to each other information about changes of their statutory authorities as soon as possible.

4.c. No provisions of this agreement should be deemed to preclude the possibility of the two sides entering into short-term arrangements and agreements pertaining to specific issues (e.g., subscription of physical journals, number of person-days provided for under exchange arrangements, etc.).

5. Duration

5.a. This agreement shall come into force on the 1st of September 2009 and shall continue for five years thereafter.

5.b. Amendments to the document shall be by mutual agreement.

5.c. The agreement shall be extended by further five years period unless one partner notifies the other, at least six months before the date of the agreement’s expire, of its intentions to the contrary.

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Signed, for the PPS

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