

International Union for Pure and Applied Biophysics (IUPAB)

Activities' Report - Year 2017

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1. Introduction

CNR is a long-term member of the International Union of Pure and Applied Biophysics. The structure of IUPAB and its importance for Italian Biophysics is unaltered and is documented in the previous activities report (<https://www.cnr.it/en/international-scientific-organizations/report/132/reportiupab2016-eng-signed.pdf>).

2. Main activities carried on by (Union name) during 2017 relevant for Italy and for CNR

The major activity of IUPAB in 2017 was the IUPAB congress, which was held in Edinburgh jointly with the European Biophysical Societies' Association (EBSA). The congress was attended by Drs. Mauro Dalla Serra, Italian IUPAB representative (Istituto di Biofisica, CNR, division of Trento) and Giuseppe Zucchelli, elected member of IUPAB council (Istituto di Biofisica, CNR, division of Milan).

Further, IUPAB promoted the "Biophysics Week", an activity initiated by the American Biophysical Society, and which took place from March 6 to 10 with events all over Italy coordinated by the Biophysics Institute and the Italian Society of Pure and Applied Biophysics (Sibpa) (<https://www.cnr.it/it/biophysics-week-2017>).

The General Assembly of IUPAB elected Prof. Manuel Prieto (Universidade de Lisboa) as new president. The next IUPAB conference will be held in Rio de Janeiro in 2020.

3. Activities carried on by (Italian Delegate name) within the Union during 2017 and impact on the Italian scientific community

Dr. Giuseppe Zucchelli, from the Biophysics Institute (Milan division) presented his candidature as member of council during the general IUPAB assembly at the congress in Edinburgh in July 2017, where he was reelected as member of council IUPAB for the term ending in 2020. Dr. Zucchelli, together with substitute delegate Mauro Dalla Serra represented the Italian Biophysics community at the congress in Edinburgh at the general assembly, contributing to a significant visibility of the Italian Biophysics community.

4. Conclusions

Iupab's role continues to be important for Italian Biophysics together with the European Biophysics Association (EBSA). The organization of regional meetings that could obtain support from IUPAB should be fostered in the future.

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