We are an international non-profit organization, consisting of physics students, with the goal of promoting global peaceful collaboration amongst physics students.
In 1986, Hungarian physics students organized the International Conference for Students of Physics (ICSP) in Budapest, which led to the formation of the International Association of Physics Students (IAPS). The first Charter was signed in 1987, establishing IAPS as an international, non-profit organization run by students worldwide.

Since 1987, IAPS has supported friendly relations and collaboration between physics students, supporting their academic and professional work, and discussing scientific, social, and cultural issues. IAPS runs an annual International Conference for Physics Students, a competition, visits to global research institutions, summer schools, exchange programs, outreach activities, and multinational meetings worldwide.
Each year, at our Annual General Meeting, through a transparent and democratic voting procedure, we elect our Executive Committee’s members.

For the term 2023/24, you can see the EC Members on the right.
IAPS counts on its members to collaborate and coordinate national and international projects related to Physics. Our current member societies are categorized into National Committees (NC Germany, NC Greece, etc.) and Local Committees (LC Ankara, LC Isfahan, etc.).
Currently, IAPS represents over **90,000 physics students** worldwide.

Through its network of **33 National Committees** and **15 Local Committees**.

*Additionally in locations where there aren’t any NCs or LCs, students can become Individual Members.*
You might be asking...

what do we do?
We connect physics students
We empower & support physics students
We advocate for physics students
Through numerous **activities & projects**

**By engaging with them**

**By representing them in our network of partners**
ICPS

ICPS is the International Conference of Physics Students and is IAPS’ founding event. Each year, a different IAPS Local or National Committee organises the ICPS in their country. The purpose of this conference is to create opportunities for physics students from all around the world to come together, benefit from lectures in various areas of physics, exchange about science and cultures, practice presenting their research and to have a great time!
The Physics League Across Numerous Countries for Kick-ass Students (PLANCKS), is a theoretical physics competition, held and hosted annually by a different IAPS Local or National Committee. PLANCKS was first held in the Netherlands by Studenten Physica in Nederland (SPIN). Currently, this IAPS major event hosts up to 50 teams of 3-4 bachelor and master students and 20-50 observers each year, from all around the world, to challenge their theoretical physics knowledge in a cutting edge experience.
iaps2CERN

IAPS organises a trip to CERN annually. The visit includes the LHC (Large Hadron Collider), ATLAS (A Toroidal LHC ApparatuS), CMS (Compact Muon Solenoid), ALICE (A Large Ion Collider Experiment) and LHCb as well as other particle physics experiment.
The IAPS Member Action Programme (IMAP) is an IAPS grant scheme designed to strengthen the network and collaboration between IAPS members from different countries. To accomplish this objective, IAPS provides grants to its member committees, namely Local and National Committees (indicated as LC and NC respectively) for their projects under the circumstances that they include the broader IAPS student community.

Balaton Summer School 2023 (NC Hungary)

Lights of Tuscany 2023 (NC Italy)

TIQIT 2023 (NC Italy)
School Day 2023
Astronomy and Astrophysics

Organized by:
LC Kathmandu (Nepal)
NC India
NC Italy
NC Morocco
NC Georgia
The IAU’s Office of Astronomy for Development (OAD) and IAPS conducted a pair of virtual workshops tailored for physics students. These sessions were dedicated to exploring the potential of astronomy as a tool for enhancing mental well-being.

The workshop used a well-established psychotherapeutic technique, Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT). Participants were guided through one activity themed around planets titled “Planetary Self-Care Activities”
jIAPS

jIAPS is the journal of IAPS, which features physics related articles written by students, for students.

It is usually published once a year and distributed during ICPS, with an online edition available on this website.

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Our Partnership Progress
Our effort to create an equal environment

Promoting and encouraging a culture of gender equality and diversity, implied in the compositions of our:

- Executive Committee
- Organizing Committees of our events & activities
- Invited guest and keynote speakers at our events
- Participants
Our effort to create a safe environment

Regulation of policies outlining the proper conduct in engagement of any kind in IAPS, including but not limited to:

- IAPS Code of Conduct
- Anti-Harassment policies and Awareness Team in all events & activities
- Availability of the EC for all members at any time, encouraging an open and safe space for communication and addressing issues
Our effort to promote Equality, Diversity, Inclusion

Coordinating effective actions to promote EDI through arranging online panel discussions and events focused on underrepresented groups in our IAPS community and beyond, highlighting their contributions in science, as well as in the growth of IAPS as an association. In addition, an accessibility guideline is aimed to be finalized and implemented in IAPS events and activities.

These objectives are practiced through:

- IAPS Members and Advocacy WG, EDI subgroup
- IAPS AC5 Council, Inclusion subgroup
Thank you!

FOR PHYSICS STUDENTS,
BY PHYSICS STUDENTS