

## **Minutes of the Physik-Institut Institute Assembly, 06.12.21 (hybrid meeting)**

**Present:** Aegerter, Chang, Crivellin, Gehrmann (minutes), Grazzini, Jetzer, Kilminster, Natterer, Neupert, Osterwalder, Saha, Signer, Vollhart, Käser, De Simone, Stefanek, Fischer, Müller, Büchi, Kanagalingan, Röllin (Gast)

### **1. Minutes of the 05.07.21 meeting**

### **2. Institute regulations and Standing Committees**

The new institute regulations were approved by the University Board on 23.11.21. The assembly takes note of these new regulations and of the decision structure as explained in the five slides that were shown at the preceding institute plenary assembly. The “Professors’ meeting” (consisting of all independent group leaders at the institute, and advising the institute directors) and the “Management Board” (consisting of all tenured professors at the institute, and preparing the strategic decision making process for the institute assembly) are approved unanimously with 18 votes as standing committees.

### **3. Strategic planning and EFP input**

The strategic five-year planning of the institute, which is submitted to the EFP (Entwicklungs- und Finanzplan) process, is presented. In the current round, four new professorships are planned (their one-page descriptions were distributed ahead of the meeting): experimental condensed matter physics (quantum matter by-design) (priority 1), joint position with PSI on muon spin rotation spectroscopy (priority 1), theory of complex systems (priority 2), theoretical condensed matter physics (priority 2). The EFP input is approved without changes with 19 votes in favour and 1 abstention.

### **4. Support of SNSF Starting grant applications**

The review of applications for hosting career grant applications has been delegated to a subcommittee by the last institute assembly. This subcommittee (consisting of Johan Chang and Gino Isidori) has reviewed the 10 expressions of interest, and recommends to support 6 candidates: Marco Perruzzi, Max Zoller, Tomasz Smolenski, Siham Benhabib, Tomas Bzdusek, Kyril Pakrouski. The recommendation is based on a set of guiding principles for hosting career grant applications has been issued by the management board, which are explained briefly. The recommended list of candidates is approved unanimously with 20 votes.

### **5. Varia**

The timing of the institute assembly meeting in the late afternoon is deemed to be not ideal. Future meetings will still be held in conjunction with the general institute assembly, but will aim for an earlier time-slot.