

MINUTES
LRPC Meeting ECM 118
Trento, Italy
March 28, 2014

LRPC meeting was opened by the chair at 5.45 pm. The attendance was circulated.

The agenda was the following:

1. Opening
2. Attendance
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Minutes of Long Range Planning Committee (ECM-117)
5. Chairman's Report
6. Discussion on future actions
7. Any Other Competent Business
8. Closing Remarks
9. Adjourn

There were no suggestions to change the agenda and the minutes of the last LRPC Paris meeting, posted on the web, were approved.

In opening the meeting the chair summarized some items that have been proposed already in the previous triennium. These points are: give visibility and structures to new scientific topics and communities; focus needs and return solutions to emerging countries; improve the scientific and educational offer; and dedicate more attention and consideration to IUVSTA website. Here one can state that the last triennium brought many of these aspects forward, like the start of the IUVSTA Bio-interface Division and with the establishment of Working Group on Future Directions on Science and Technology managed by Ulf Karlsson.

The second part of the meeting was dedicated to the importance of articulation. Especially in the context of "Improving our offer" and to improve our ability to articulate our "Reason for being", both being of large concern for a sustainable development of IUVSTA. Here a discussion followed about values.

LRPC meeting was closed at 6 pm.