

ICRANet Scientific Committee Meeting
July 31st, 2014 – Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

The following Members are present:

-) Prof. Aharonian Felix (Armenia, via Skype connection)
-) Dr. Bianco Carlo Luciano (ICRA, via Skype connection)
-) Prof. Braga João (Brazil) Acting Chairman
-) Prof. Della Valle Massimo (Italy, via Skype connection)
-) Dr. Gabriele Gionti, S. J. (Vatican, via Skype connection)
-) Prof. Mester John (University of Stanford, via Skype connection)
-) Prof. Remo Ruffini (ICRANet Director)

The following Members are absent but justified:

-) Prof. Arnett David (University of Arizona)

The Agenda:

- 1) Nomination of the representative of Brazil in the Scientific Committee.

The meeting starts on Thursday July 31st, 2014, at 9.40am at CBPF in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil).
The President is Prof. João Braga and the minutes are taken by the Director.

1) Nomination of the representative of Brazil in the Scientific Committee

After taking into account:

- 1) the Meeting of the ICRANet Scientific Committee on May 26th 2014, when Prof. João Braga presented his resignation from being a Member of the ICRANet Scientific Committee (see Enclosure 1);
- 2) the call for a new representative of Brazil in the ICRANet Scientific Committee made by Prof. Remo Ruffini, Director of ICRANet (see Enclosure 2);
- 3) the forwarding of the document made by the President of the Brazilian Physical Society (SBF) on the SBF Bulletin of June 5th, 2014 (see Enclosure 3);
- 4) the corresponding note made by the Brazilian Astronomical Society (see Enclosure 4);
- 5) the application by Prof. Kepler de Souza Oliveira Filho deposited at the ICRANet Headquarters in Pescara (Italy) on June 25th, 2014 (see Enclosure 5);
- 6) the Endorsement Letters by distinguished Members of the Scientific Community (see Enclosure 6);
- 7) the written communications by Members of the ICRANet Scientific Committee (see Enclosure 7);

and after an ample discussion, the ICRANet Scientific Committee unanimously considers the application by Prof. Kepler extremely positive and is ready to transmit all these information to the Brazilian Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation (Ministro da Ciência, Tecnologia e Inovação) to appoint, if there are no impediments, Prof. Kepler,

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distinguished Brazilian scientist, as the Representative of Brazil in the ICRANet Scientific Committee.

The Scientific Committee unanimously thanks Prof. João Braga for his 6 year service in the ICRANet Scientific Committee, and asks that all activities by Prof. João Braga as former representative of Brazil in the ICRANet Scientific Committee, including his membership to the CAPES-ICRANet Joint Committee and his role of coordinator of Brazilian Science Data Center (BSDC), are transferred to the new representative of Brazil in the ICRANet Scientific Committee, Prof. Kepler, as soon as he will be appointed by the Minister.

The meeting ends at 10.40am after reading and approval of these minutes.



The President
Prof. João Braga



The Director of ICRANet
Prof. Remo Ruffini