

# Round-table topics (90')

1. What is **Research Cooperation** all about ? (20')
  - Aggregation of financial supports
  - Benefiting from wider expertise
  - Innovation arising from cultural diversity
  - Advantages/disadvantages using different funding systems
  - Cooperation and competition
  - Research as a pilot project for political cooperation endeavors
2. ASEPS: On the importance of **Asia-Europe Cooperation** (20')
  - Building a balanced America-Asia-Europe triangle for Research
  - Involving developing countries, a case study
  - First attempt to building multi-lateral research structures (region to region)
  - Common history induces ties and duties,
  - Wide cultural diversity: in science development, political and economical systems, religions
3. ASEPS Main Missions (20') see next page
4. ASEPS implementation: (30')
  - Statements to trigger future steps
  - Possible organisations ?

# ASEPS Main Purposes

- ASEPS is a **framework to forge Asia-Europe** physics program/infrastructure **strategies**:
  - A unique forum for: *Scientists, Decision makers, Industry rep., the Society*
  - Decision maker meetings
    - Funding Agency executive meetings (EuroHorcs-AsiaHorcs)
    - Ministry level meetings in coordination with ASEM
  - Integrated with the other existing bodies (*like IUPAP, ICFA, ICUIL, IUA, FALC, NuPECC...*), meetings at Int. Conferences
- To develop **bi-regional cooperation**:
  - Supporting bi-regional physics actions/structures for education and research: Asia-Europe Schools, Asia-Europe Joint Lab. with the involvement of the dev. countries. *Beyond bi-lateral initiatives (France-Japan, UK-China, ...)*
  - Focusing on specific projects initiated by Europe or Asia: *ESFRI, SuperB, ...*
  - Building Asia-Europe Human Networks supported by International Workshop Centers
  - Supporting efforts for building regional organizations (ERA, ARA ??)
- To promote **synergies** between different fields of physics and between physics and **other research fields**: *biology and health, environment, energy.*

# Statements Draft (1)

Definitions Acronyms:

**ASEPS: ASia-Europe Physics Summit**

Regions:

**In the following Asia stands for Asia-Oceania and Europe includes Russia and the former USSR states**

The Participating Parties:

**Participating Parties means the representatives at ASEPS from national governments, funding agencies and national and international organisations (private and public)**

Physics Research:

**In the following Physics or Physics Research stands for all research related to physics – from basic and knowledge research to applications of physics to other fields of research including energy, environment, biology and health sciences.**

# Statements Draft (2)

## Statement I: Objective

**The Participating Parties call for strengthening existing cooperation and implementing new programmes in physics research between Asia and Europe to reach a balanced cooperation at the world level.**

## Statement II: Task Force

**To meet the objective in Statement I, the Participating Parties ask the organisers of ASEPS, notably the Association of Asia Pacific Physical Societies (AAPPS) and the European Physical Society (EPS) to form a task force whose main objective will be to examine: roadblocks to Physics research cooperation and actions to overcome them and an appropriate structure to develop and coordinate the Asia-Europe cooperation.**

# Statements Draft (3)

Statement III: Scope

**The Participating Parties encourage the task force to address as a priority the policy and structure needed to create and manage international research platforms, the participation of developing countries, the education and training of young researchers, the outreach and dissemination of physics to society.**

Statement IV: Best practices

**The Participating Parties encourage the task force to discuss and gather comments and advice from other countries on the above issues.**

Statement V: New participants

**The Participating Parties encourage other similar organisations to support the work of the task force.**