

# American Physical Society (APS)

## History & Aims

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The American Physical Society was founded on May 20, 1899, when 36 physicists gathered at Columbia University for that purpose. They proclaimed the mission of the new Society to be "to advance and diffuse the knowledge of physics", and in one way or another the APS has been at that task ever since.

The American Physical Society strives to:

- Be the leading voice for physics and an authoritative source of physics information for the advancement of physics and the benefit of humanity;
- Provide effective programs in support of the physics community and the conduct of physics;
- Collaborate with national scientific societies for the advancement of science, science education and the science community;
- Cooperate with international physics societies to promote physics, to support physicists worldwide and to foster international collaboration;
- Promote an active, engaged and diverse membership, and support the activities of its units and members.

APS is a leading voice for physics education and supports physics educators at all levels through its programs, publications, and resources.

## Cooperation with GIREP

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The formal cooperation between APS and GIREP was established in July, 2015.

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