## Physics Education Division of European Physical Society (EPS PED)

## **History & Aims**

The European Physical Society (EPS) was created in 1968, through the inspired leadership of Gilberto Bernardini (1906-1995). In his inaugural address, he stated that "the formation of the European Physical Society with such a wide membership is a further demonstration of the determination of scientists to collaborate as closely as possible in order to make their positive contribution to the strength of European cultural unity."

Since its creation, the European Economic Community has been transformed into the European Union and has grown from 6 members states to 42 member states. The EPS has contributed significantly to European physics in education, research and student mobility, publication and outreach.

The object of the Society is and shall be to contribute to and promote the advancement of physics, in Europe and in neighbouring countries, by all suitable means and in particular by providing a forum for the discussion of subjects of common interest and by providing means whereby action can be taken on those matters which appear desirable to handle on the international level.

## **Cooperation with GIREP**

The formal cooperation between EPS PED and GIREP was established in 2014. A detailed documentation can be found in GIREP Newsletter number 54





EPS PED - GIREP Agreement

The Physics Education Division of European Physical Society (EPS PED) and the Groupe International de Recherche sur l'Enseignement de la Physique (GIREP) agree to cooperate in any way possible, in particular, exchanging information through websites and newsletters and sending the informational posters prepared for the organizations' conferences to one another.

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