

European Spallation Source ERIC
28th Meeting of Council
Extra-Ordinary Meeting
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Approved Minutes

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Meeting participants

Beatrix Vierkorn-Rudolph Chair of Council
Kurt Clausen Vice Chair of Council

Delegates

Petr Lukáš	Nuclear Physics Institute of the CAS	Czech Republic
Bo Smith	Danish Ministry of Higher Education and Research	Denmark
Toivo Rääm	Ministry of Education and Research	Estonia
Marie-Hélène Mathon	French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission	France
Sylvain Ravy	National Centre for Scientific Research	France
Andrea Fischer	Federal Ministry of Education and Research	Germany
Martin Müller	Helmholtz-Zentrum Hereon	Germany
Balázs Kápli	Development and Innovation Office	Hungary
Ákos Horváth	Centre for Energy Research	Hungary
Aldo Covello	Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research	Italy
Odd Ivar Eriksen	The Research Council of Norway	Norway
Mateusz Gaczyński	Ministry of Science and Higher Education	Poland
Marek Jeżabek	The Henryk Niewodniczanski Institute of Nuclear Physics	Poland
Inmaculada F. Rojas	Ministry of Science and Innovation	Spain
Adolfo Morais Ezquerro	Basque Department for Education	Spain
Lars Börjesson	The Swedish Research Council	Sweden
Kevin Raymond	State Secretariat for Education, Research, and Innovation	Switzerland
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James Partington	Dpt. for Business, Energy, and Industrial Strategy	United Kingdom

Experts

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Helmut Schober	Director General
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Martin Sjöstrand	Head of Communications
Karin Hélène	Senior Executive Assistant
Maria Herbst	Assistant to the Governance Office
Michela Dell'Anno Boulton	Governance Officer
Florian Weissbach	Group Leader Governance Office – Council Secretary

Excused

Lukáš Levák	Ministry of Research and Development	Czech Republic
Jane Hvolbæk Nielsen	Technical University of Denmark, Dpt. of Physics	Denmark
Priit Tamm	Research Council of Estonia	Estonia
Pierluigi Campana	National Institute of Nuclear Physics (INFN)	Italy
David Edvardsson	Ministry of Education and Research	Sweden
Mark Thomson	Science and Technology Facilities Council	United Kingdom

1. Welcome and Opening of the Meeting

The Chair called the meeting to order on 16 March at 17:30 CET and welcomed the participants. The Chair noted that this 28th meeting of Council had been duly convened and was quorate.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The Chair presented the agenda.

Council unanimously

- **approved the agenda for its 28th meeting.**

3. Council Resolution Concerning Russia

The proposed resolution concerning Russia was discussed. Upon motion duly made,

Council unanimously approved the below resolution:

ESS position on Russian invasion of Ukraine

The European Spallation Source condemns the Russian aggression against Ukraine. The war has tragic consequences for the Ukrainian population and will have a serious global impact. We hope for a swift end of the war.

Russia's assault on Ukraine is an unprovoked, premediated attack against a sovereign democratic state. ESS and its Member States stand united in condemning the Russian government's reprehensible actions, which are an egregious violation of international law and the UN Charter.

ESS is committed to the essential values of freedom, human rights, democracy, equality and diversity.

In solidarity with Ukraine, ESS has therefore decided to freeze any present or future collaboration with institutions of the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus until further notice.

In particular, ESS suspends:

- Participation of ESS staff in committees and boards of Russian and Belarussian institutions and companies.
- All visits to Russian and Belarussian institutions and companies by ESS staff and vice versa.
- Participation of members of Russian and Belarussian institutions and companies in any of ESS's committees.
- Participation in workshops by members from Russian and Belarussian institutions and companies.
- Exchange of scientists with Russian and Belarussian institutions.

ESS applauds and respects scientists around the world who are protesting and speaking out against the invasion of Ukraine.

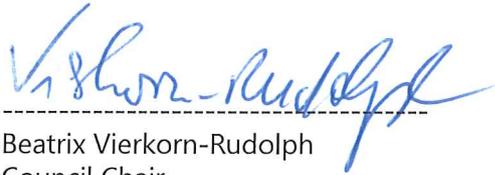
ESS, acting in the framework of openness and support of research excellence, will be supportive to Ukrainian researchers willing to develop science in the process of rebuilding independent and democratic Ukraine.

The Director General confirmed that the work on scientific papers with scientists affiliated with Russian and Belarussian institutions would be stopped, unless the research had already been finalised. In that case, the paper could still be submitted for publication.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chair brought the meeting to an end at 18:30.

Closure of the Meeting

Verified and approved by Council at its 29th meeting on 9-10 June 2022.



Beatrix Vierkorn-Rudolph
Council Chair



Michela Dell'Anno Boulton
Council Secretary