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MEETING WITH THE NEW DIRECTOR OF ICTP

The ceremony of award of the ICTP prize to the Indian researcher M. Randeria, who in the past collaborated with the Paraguayan physicist Juan Carlos Campuzano, was the occasion for the new director Katepalli Sreenivasan to describe the present activity of this centre created in 1964 and its future plans. The ICTP has received since its foundation 80,000 scientific visits, more than 50% of which from developing countries and had more than 2,000 associated researchers of which almost 20% were South Americans. For the future the ICTP must face the new challenges in research, collaborate with UNESCO for the access to scientific information and promote a program of teaching of science.

There was also a presentation of the head of the Office of External Activities, created in 1986, Faheem Hussain who quoted the Institute of Mathematics of Lima and the CECS of Valdivia among the affiliated centers, as well as the collaboration withn CLAF currently based on the support to less developed countries, the program of cooperative PhD and the Diploma/Master of Bariloche, apart from a direct contribution to the CLAF Mexican delegation.

In a private audience, details of the CLAF activity and of the Latin American reality were communicated to prof. Sreenivasan who expressed great interest in knowing directly our region.