Science and technology pact with Abdus Salam Centre

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission (PAEC) and Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ASICTP) of Italy have entered into an agreement for enhanced cooperation in science and technology.

The protocol was signed by Chairman PAEC Parvez Butt and Director ASICTP, K R Sreenivasan last week at Trieste on the eve of 40th anniversary of the centre, says a press release.

"Realizing the importance of strengthening the longstanding and fruitful cooperation between ASICTP and PAEC which has immensely benefited a number of Pakistani scientists over the years, ASICTP shall support 25 fellowships from PAEC every year" the agreement document stipulates.

This agreement is sequel to the mandate of ASICTP to foster advanced scientific research in the developing countries, especially mathematics and physics, by providing world class research facilities at ASICTP by means of comprehensive research programmes and by creating forums for exchange of scientific information. Pakistan has long history of mutually beneficial relationship with ASICTP since its inception in early 60s and this cooperation has been growing all along.