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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Director's Absence

The Director will be away from the University from 2 - 12 October incl, attending conferences in India and Portugal. Dr Ken Baldwin will be Acting Director until Friday 5 October, followed by Professor Neil Manson until Friday 12 October.

Promotion Successes

Congratulations to the following School Staff on their well deserved promotion to Level B:

Dr Susan Bellm (AMPL), Dr Michael Gao (EME), Dr Chaohong Li (NLPC), Dr Andrey Miroshnichenko (NLPC), Dr Simon Ruffell (EME) and Dr Michael Went (AMPL).

Congratulations

Congratulations to the LINAC Team from the Department of Nuclear Physics for winning the ACT Government New Technology & Innovation Award and also the Canberra Division 2007 Engineering Excellence Awards for "Superconducting LINAC-booster for Heavy Ion Accelerator Facility".

Welcome Back

Please join Professors Jim Williams and Brenton Lewis in a warm welcome back to Professor Erich Weigold. Professor Weigold, formerly a Director of the School and a Professor in the Atomic and Molecular Physics Laboratories, is returning after his term as Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research) of La Trobe University. Professor Weigold will now be located in Room L1.11, phone 59549.

Founder's Day

Just a reminder that Founder's Day will be held on Friday 19 October.

SCHOOL SEMINARS

School Seminar Program

Thursday 4 October 2007

4.00pm

"Analysis of Nanoparticles Using Synchrotron Based Techniques"

by Dr Patrick Kluth, EME, RSPHYSSE

HUXLEY LECTURE THEATRE

Drinks and light refreshments will be provided in the RSPSE Link Tea Room after the Seminar

ALL WELCOME

ACQAO SEMINAR

Friday 5 October 2007

11.00am

"Quantum Ratchets in Bose-Einstein Condensates"

by Mr Dario Poletti, PhD Student, from NLPC Department.

Link Building Seminar Room

STAFF MOVEMENTS

The Nonlinear Physics Centre would like to welcome Dr Vladlen Shvedov from The Taurida National University (Crimea, Ukraine) and Mr Bernd Terhalle from Muenster University (Germany). They will be working with Dr Anton Desyatnikov, Professor Yuri Kivshar, and the experimental team of Professor Wieslaw Krolikowski on diverse projects involving singular photonics and optical vortices. This activity is supported by the ARC Discovery Project.

Professor Robert Robson and Professor Steve Buckman CAMS/AMPL will attend the 60th Gaseous Electronics Conference in Crystal City, Virginia from 2-5 October. The Chief Operations Officer, Prof Robert Robson will give an invited talk "Current issues in electron and positron transport theory" at the Conference, and The Research Director, Professor Buckman will also visit and present a Colloquium to the Division of Electron and Optical Physics at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Gaithersburg, Maryland.