



Memorandum of Understanding

between

Asia Pacific Center for Theoretical Physics (APCTP)

77 Cheongam-ro, Nam-gu, Pohang, Gyeongbuk 37673, Korea

and

The Institute for Theoretical Physics UAM-CSIC (IFT)

C. Nicolas Cabrera, 13-15, Fuencarral-El Pardo, 28049 Madrid, Spain

The Asia Pacific Center for Theoretical Physics (hereinafter referred to as "APCTP"), located at 77 Cheongam-ro, Nam-gu, Pohang, Gyeongbuk 37673, Republic of Korea, and the Institute for Theoretical Physics UAM-CSIC (hereinafter referred to as "IFT"), located at C. Nicolas Cabrera 13-15, 28049 Madrid, Spain, hereby agree to the following framework to promote academic cooperation and mutual scientific advancement, based on the principles of equality and reciprocity.

ARTICLE I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "the MOU") is to establish a framework for cooperation between APCTP and IFT. The cooperation may include:

- Joint scientific research activities;
- Exchange of researchers, postdoctoral fellows, and students;
- Co-organization of conferences, workshops, and schools;
- Any other mutually agreed activities.

ARTICLE II. IMPLEMENTATION AND LIAISON OFFICERS

Each institution shall designate a liaison officer to coordinate and promote the implementation of this MOU. All collaborative activities shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the respective countries and institutions.

Changes in the designated liaison officers shall be communicated in writing to the other Party.

ARTICLE III. VISITS AND SUPPORT

Visits under this MOU are subject to the immigration and institutional regulations of the host country. Unless otherwise agreed, the visiting Party shall bear all related expenses, including international travel, per diem, and insurance.

The host institution shall make reasonable efforts to provide visiting researchers with office space and assist in securing accommodations. Support may vary depending on funding availability and shall be discussed in advance.

ARTICLE IV. FUNDING AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

This MOU does not obligate either Party to commit specific funding. Collaborative activities are subject to the availability of funds and may be supported by external grants.

Any intellectual property arising from joint activities shall be addressed through separate agreements. Background intellectual property shall remain the property of the originating Party. Intellectual property jointly developed shall be subject to joint ownership under mutually agreed terms.

ARTICLE V. VALIDITY AND TERMINATION

This MOU shall become effective on the date of the last signature and shall remain valid for five (5) years, and will be automatically renewed for successive five-year periods unless either Party gives six (6) months' advance notice in writing to terminate the MOU.

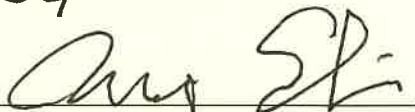
Either Party may terminate this MOU by providing six (6) months' written notice. Termination shall not affect ongoing projects already in progress, unless otherwise agreed.

ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENTS AND LEGAL STATUS

This MOU may be amended by mutual written consent of both Parties. It does not constitute a legally binding contract and does not create legal rights or obligations. Any disputes shall be resolved amicably through consultation.

ARTICLE VII. EXECUTION AND COPIES

This MOU is to be executed in duplicate copies in English with each of the copies being equally authentic.

Date: *Sep. 19. 2025*


Prof. Misao SASAKI
President
APCTP

Date: *Sep. 19. 2025*


Prof. Agustin Sabido
Director
IFT UAM-CSIC

