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GSI/FAIR receives high-ranking Georgian visitors





Reception of the delegation.

25.04.2022 | The future cooperation between Georgia and GSI/FAIR was the focus of the visit of a high-ranking delegation with the Georgian Minister of Education and Science, Professor Mikheil Chkhenkeli, to GSI and FAIR. The visitors were received by the management of GSI and FAIR and various leading scientists.

The delegation included, in addition to the minister Professor Mikheil Chkhenkeli, also Levan Diasamidze, Georgian consul general in Frankfurt, Nikoloz Chkhetiani, Chairman of the board of the international charity foundation Cartu, Vakhtang Tsagareli, Director of Project Management and Operations at the international charity foundation Cartu and Professor Alexander Tevzadze, Rector of Kutaisi International University (KIU). Participants from GSI and FAIR were Professor Paolo Giubellino,

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Scientific Managing Director, Dr. Ulrich Breuer, Administrative Managing Director, Dr. Ingo Peter, Head of Public Relations Department, Professor Marco Durante, Head of Biophysics Department, Professor Christian Graeff, Deputy Head of Biophysics Department, Dr. Christian-Joachim Schmidt, Head of Detector Lab and Dr. Irakli Keshelashvili, Staff Scientist at Detector Lab.

An important subject of the visit was the strengthening of scientific relations. This included the intensification and expansion of collaboration in the field of particle therapy using ions and protons as well as in detector and IT technologies. Possibilities for Georgian participation in the FAIR project were also discussed during the high-ranking visit. The promotion of young international scientists, for example via specific exchange and student programs such as the GET_INvolved program running very successfully at GSI/FAIR, was another important topic. The guests were impressed by GSI/FAIR's world-class research and its great potential for the future. They expressed their great wish for future cooperation.

The extensive two-day program for the Georgian visitors included an introductory presentation about the FAIR project, campus development, research successes and current experiments of the FAIR Phase 0 program. From the viewing platform, the guests were able to get an overview of the current FAIR construction activities on the 20-hectare construction field in the east of the existing GSI and FAIR campus.

The test facility where high-tech superconducting accelerator magnets (Series Test Facility, STF) for FAIR are tested, was also among the tour stops. The program also included the treatment unit for tumor therapy, the detector lab and the energy-efficient supercomputing center Green IT Cube. (BP)

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