



## **APCTP Membership Agreement**

This Agreement is entered into and effective as of the date of signature by the Asia Pacific Center for Theoretical Physics, Pohang, Korea (hereinafter referred to as “APCTP”) and the Royal University of Phnom Penh, Phnom Penh, Cambodia (hereinafter referred to as “RUPP”).

### **Article 1. Purpose**

The purpose of this Agreement is to promote the cooperation between two involved parties in leading research in theoretical physics, facilitating international collaboration, and contributing to the advancement of physics in the Asia Pacific region.

### **Article 2. Objectives**

The Agreement shall engage in the following objectives in order to achieve the purpose under Article 1 hereof:

- (1) To cooperate in joint research and academic activities in theoretical physics;
- (2) To educate and train physicists, in particular young scientists;
- (3) To support all related research activities in theoretical physics.

### **Article 3. Member Entity and Obligation**

The RUPP agrees to become a Member Entity of the APCTP on behalf of Cambodia and its physics community.

- (1) By the decision of the Board of Trustees, the RUPP is exempt from the membership fee for 3 years (2024-2026).
- (2) The RUPP shall nominate a member for the General Council to represent the member country upon request.

### **Article 4. Benefit**

- (1) Scientists in member countries shall receive the benefits of APCTP activities with a higher priority within the limit of APCTP budget.
- (2) The RUPP can advise the APCTP on the coordination of its cooperative activities with member countries.

- (3) If the RUPP fails to satisfy its obligation as a Member Entity for more than three years, the corresponding member country shall not be provided the benefit.

#### **Article 5. Guidelines for Cooperation**

The following general guidelines for cooperation will be observed under this Agreement.

- (1) Both parties reserve the inclusive right of the outcome of any performed research such as data, theses, reports, and any kind of material, and publishing, translating, or reprinting them in scientific or related journals.
- (2) Each party agrees that it will not make use of disseminate, or in any way disclose any important information of the other party to any person, institute, firm or business without mutual consent.
- (3) Any claims on the Intellectual Property Right under this Agreement shall be settled by amicable negotiation between both parties.

#### **Article 6. Effect of Signature**

- (1) Each party signing this Agreement intends that it shall take effect as an instrument under seal.
- (2) This Agreement is valid for three years. Upon the expiry of the term of the agreement, the parties can extend the agreement for the next three-year period.

#### **Article 7. Revision**


This Agreement may be modified by mutual consent, and the revised Agreement will be in effect from the date of signature.

#### **Article 8. Termination**


The RUPP can secede by notifying its intention to the Executive Director, or by a decision by the Board of Trustees, with 2/3 or more of all Trustees voting in favour.

In witness whereof, two parties hereto have executed this Agreement in duplicate as of the date and the year written below.

Date: May 16, 2024

  
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Prof. Chan Oeurn Chey  
Dean, Graduate School of Science  
Royal University of Phnom Penh

Date: Apr. 23. 2024

  
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