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Dear colleagues and friends,

Employees of the Laboratory of Nuclear Problems and the Laboratory of Information Technologies took part in the 28th international JUNO Collaboration Meeting. Participants discussed the progress and prospects of the Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory – a project at the forefront of science that saw active involvement from JINR researchers from the very beginning.

The 30th Summer Scientific School of Young Scientists and Specialists finished at Lipnya Tourist Resort. Every year, the event gathers a variety of representatives of the Institute, as well as Russian universities and scientific centres. A key part of the programme was a roundtable session with the JINR Directorate – an open dialogue with young employees on today's most important issues.

Read about registration for a fellowship programme for young researchers from the Asia-Pacific region, a recent internship for Saratov State University students at JINR, the upcoming 2026 Nuclear Festival, and much more in the latest JINR Newsletter.

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Conferences

DLNP and MLIT JINR researchers took part in JUNO Collaboration Meeting

On 20–24 July, the international collaboration discussed the progress of the Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory and plans regarding the project. At the event, the Institute's representatives delivered talks on monitoring and control system development.

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Education

Lipnya-2026: brought together by science

At the 30th Summer Scientific School, young scientists and specialists of JINR, as well as Russian universities and research centres, attended a variety of activities including lectures, a roundtable discussion with the Institute's Directorate, networking events, and sports master classes. The school was organized by AYSS JINR.

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Saratov State University master's students completed internship at JINR

As part of the internship, biophotonics students worked at two JINR laboratories. At LRB, the participants studied modern experimental radiobiology methods and the fundamental concepts of radiation physiology and medicine. The second track, held at DLNP, focused on diffusion optics methodology in the time domain.

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Summer session of START student programme underway at JINR

The participants of this year's START programme come from Belarus, China, Cuba, Egypt, India, Kazakhstan, Russia, South Africa, Uzbekistan, and Vietnam. The first group is already working on their projects at the Institute's laboratories.

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Announcements

2026 Nuclear Festival: JINR team invites applications

The event will take place on 4–6 September, at the Volga Recreation Centre. Official registration is yet to open, but if you plan to join JINR's team to compete for the Nuclear Cup, please fill out the Google form until 22 August.

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JINR to host fellowship programme

Until 31 August, young scientists from the Asia-Pacific region are invited to apply for the 2027 AONSA fellowship programme. The participants will engage in studies at major neutron facilities, including the IBR-2 Research Reactor.

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Music festival to take place in Dubna

From 28 October to 2 November, as part of the *Formula of Harmony. Season 6* project, Mir Cultural Centre will host eight concerts by Vladimir Spivakov and the Moscow Virtuosi orchestra. Tickets are available on the website, at the Mir Centre ticket office, and by +7 (496) 216-44-44.

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Performance about living in science city

A workshop is taking place for teenagers to explore Dubna's visual identity, talk to locals, and study how life in the science city influences our perception of it. On 8 August, the participants will present a theatre performance based on the results of their work at the Blokhintsev Library.

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Media

Science as creative process: new video with Mikhail Shandov

In the video filmed as part of The Faces of Science project, VBLHEP JINR senior researcher discussed accelerator physics and his work in Dubna. Portraits of Mikhail and other participants are displayed at an exhibition in Sokolniki Park, Moscow, open until 16 August.

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Sports

Institute's achievements in swimming

The sixth stage of the Onego Swimcup 2026 took place on Lake Onega. JINR Archimedes Swimming Pool coach Maria Alikina took second place overall in the 1000 m race; in addition, she and Alexey Butorin came fourth in the relay. Congratulations!

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JINR at track and field race

For the first time, Dubna hosted a night track and field race, with many JINR employees among the participants. VBLHEP economist Alexandra Vysotskaya took 2nd place in the 10 km event. Congratulations to the athletes!

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Dzhelepov Cousins Tennis Tournament results

The competition took place on 1–2 August in memory of outstanding physicists Venedikt and Boris Dzhelepov. This year, the event brought together a record number of participants. Congratulations on the successful performances!

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Upcoming Events

Education

- **2–8 August**, DIAS Summer School, Quantum Field Theory and Applications, JINR, Dubna
- **9–12 August**, IAEA Lise Meitner Programme, JINR, Dubna

Seminars

- **10 August**, 11:00, BLTP Journal Club, "Indications of new physics from the analysis of B-meson decays" by Chitta Ranjan Das

Culture

- **7 August – 6 September**, Daily from 13:00 to 19:00 (except Monday), JINR Mir Cultural Centre, Three Fingers exhibition
- **6 August**, 18:00, JINR Universal Public Library, English speaking club
- **7 August**, 18:00, JINR Universal Public Library, JINR Cinema Club
- **8 August**, 15:00, JINR Universal Public Library, Performance about living in science city
- **11 August**, 18:00, JINR Universal Public Library, Russian speaking club
- **11 August**, 19:00, JINR Universal Public Library, Genealogical club's meeting

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