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Supporting mathematics research in Africa

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Outline of sandwich model, 1967

Plan of action			
Year	Africa	Int. Seminar in Uppsala	Actions
1968		Come to International Seminar	
1969		Theoretical and administrative preparations	
1970		Experimental preparations	
1971		Research and equipment construction	
1972		Research training	
1973		Swedish expert joins the group in Africa and research can start.	
		Research and degree studies under way in Africa. No. 1 back to Uppsala for development studies	

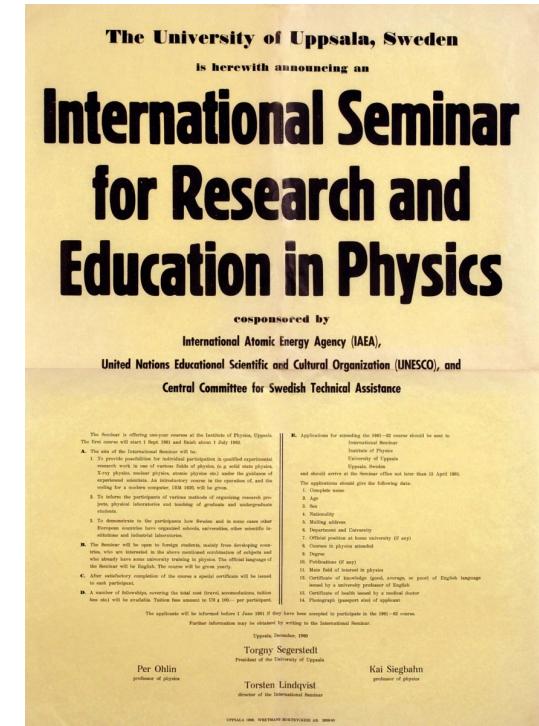
ISP 1961-2001

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Short description of ISP:

- Started with Physics in 1961
- Chemistry in 1970
- Mathematics in 2002
- 40 research groups, 20 scientific networks supported in 2017 (1 + 3 in Mathematics), most of them in Sub-Saharan Africa.
- Total budget for “core” activities in 2017: 33,5 MSEK (same for 2018), *5,8 MSEK for Mathematics* (all from Sida)
- Other activities: Coordination of bilateral programmes in Uganda, Tanzania, Mozambique, Ethiopia, and next year also Cambodia.
- Funding from Uppsala University and Stockholm University: 3,5 and 1 MSEK per year, respectively
- Total budget, everything included, about 112 MSEK in 2017.
Previously also supported by: IAEA, UNESCO, Norway, and others.



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Short description of ISP (cont'd)

- Unit at Uppsala University (UU) under the VC



- Governed by a Board – meets at least once a year – chaired by vice rector for S&T (presently Johan Tysk), members from UU; other Swedish/Nordic universities; external members representing international organisations (at the moment AdB), developing countries (at the moment ex-vice president of Tanzania), and more...
- Three programme directors, two deputy, plus administrative staff (14 staff members, not all full time).



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Short description of ISP (cont'd)

The Board also appoints a reference group for each programme, for a period of five years. The reference groups evaluate applications submitted to ISP at their meetings. The granting period is usually for three years (sometimes shorter).



*Reference group meeting 2014
was held in Seoul before ICM2014.*

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Short description of ISP (cont'd)

“ISP countries” – many only members of networks



Red = Chemistry

Yellow = Physics

Green = Mathematics



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Networks:

- EAUMP (UDSM, UoN, Makerere, UR and UNZA); since 2002; *2.9 MSEK in 2018*
- PDE, Modeling and Control (mainly Ouagadougou, Saint Louis and Bamako); since 2003; *1 MSEK in 2018*.

Research groups:

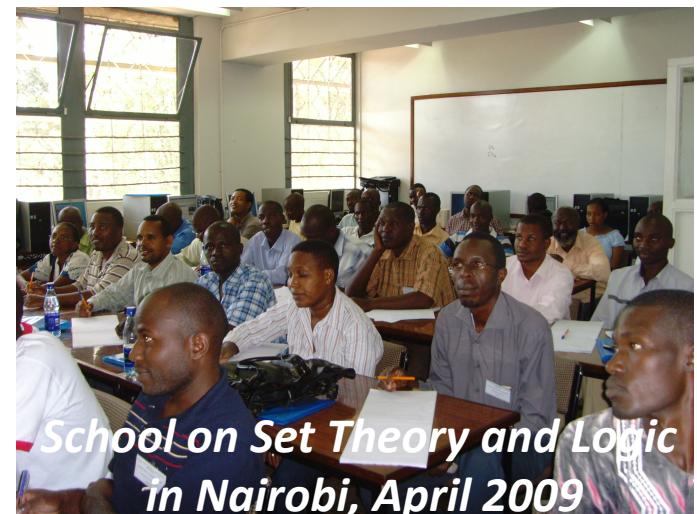
- Addis Ababa University; since 2005; *0.85 MSEK in 2018*.

New invitations from 2020, and onwards: UZ (Zimbabwe), Université Abdou Moumouni (Niger), UMSA (Bolivia) – so far only reply from Niger.

Activities:

- PhD-training (sandwich and local/regional), and MSc-training (local/regional); advisors sometimes from abroad
- Post doc training
- Schools, Workshops and Conferences – arranging and participating

E.g. EAUMP has organised (at least) 13 Schools since 2010, mainly in collaboration with ICTP (also w.r.t. funding) – see <http://www.eaump.org/schools/>



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Collaborating universities:

All Swedish universities are (potential) collaborators.

But the collaboration is not restricted to Sweden. In mathematics universities in Austria, Ireland, United Kingdom, France, Spain, South Africa, Portugal, Norway, USA, ... have hosted PhD-students and Post Doc's/been involved in local/regional training with ISP funding.



First ISP graduate in Mathematics:
Egbert Mujuni, and his advisor Herbert Fleischner,
in Dar es Salaam 2008.



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Some results:

Graduated sandwich PhD's (or just about to defend):

- 24 (EAUMP) + 10 (PDE, Modeling, ...) + 4 AAU

Graduated local PhD's reported:

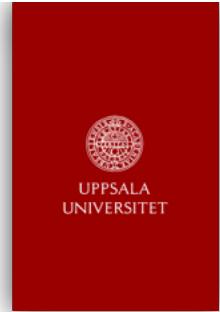
- 2017: 14 (mainly network PDE, Modeling &Control, and AAU have many local students)

Registered, but not graduated, 2017:

- 82 (including about 30 new)



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Graduated BURK01 (per year)	2	3	9	10	4	3	11
Reg. per year BURK01	23	29	35	36	27	33	34
Graduated ETH01 (per year)					1	5	7
Reg. per year ETH01	9	13	25	35	38	42	40
Graduated EAUMP (per year)	4	1	1	1	5	4	13
Reg. per year EAUMP	18	17	23	27	26	23	29



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Some recent Theses (PhD and Lic)



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Some results (cont'd)

Publications 2016

Publication category ISP acknowledged (publ. in scientific journals only)	Africa yes / no	Asia yes / no		Total yes / no
Publ. in Scientific Journals (with TR Impact Factors)	3/16	0/1		3/17
Publ. in Scientific Journals ("TR unlisted")	6/50	0/0		6/50
Books, Chapters, Popular Publ., Technical Reports, etc.	0/2			0/2
Total number of publications	9/68	0/1		9/69



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ISP 50th Anniversary

Thank you!

