## Sissakian is named the new director of JINR

Alexei Sissakian has been elected the new director of the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR) in Russia. Well known in the fields of elementary particle physics, theoretical physics and mathematical physics, and a full member of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences and the National Academy of Sciences of Armenia, Sissakian is the fifth JINR director. He succeeds Vladimir Kadyshevsky, who headed the institute from 1992.



Kadyshevsky, Mazurenko and Sissakian

Sissakian, who has been laboratory director and vice-director at JINR, is a specialist in the field of multi-particle production. He has been an active participant in the preparation of scientific programmes and experiments at the U-70 accelerator at the Institute of High Energy Physics and at the JINR Nuclotron, as well as at CERN and Fermilab. Sissakian is also a professor at Moscow State University.

The election was held at the session of the Committee of Plenipotentiaries (CP) of the governments of the institute's member states, under the chairmanship of the head of the Russian Federation's Federal Agency for Science and Innovation, Sergey Mazurenko.

As well as appointing Sissakian as its new director, the CP also recommended the introduction of the honourary post of JINR scientific supervisor for Kadyshevsky.