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Statement from the director of the institute on the final report of the Commission No. 3

On behalf of the Institute I would like to thank the Commission for the stimulating visit and discussions and furthermore, for the thoughtful evaluation report.

We are pleased to see that the Commission appreciates the scientific quality of the Institute (*"As such, the institute can certainly be identified as an important player on the international photonics research scene, and in some areas displays a true international leadership."*) and our systematic effort to make the Institute a modern and internationally recognized research institution (*"During the meetings of the Panel with the administration and with the researchers it came to our attention that the Institute is extremely well managed, both at the scientific level and at the administrative level. It made a lot of progress since the previous evaluation, and the Direction displays a clever vision of the objectives for the Institute, and of the best ways to achieve them."*)

We appreciate the recommendations made by the Commission and feel that all of the main recommendations are in line with our self-assessment and outcomes of our internal evaluations. Henceforth, we shall be taking steps to incorporate them in the Institute's development plans for the next period.

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