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Dear Dr. Agarwalla,

Welcome to the community of the Associate Members of the Abdus Salam ICTP! I am happy to inform you that you have been appointed a

Simons Associate of The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2020.

The Simons Associateships are made possible by the generous support of the Simons Foundation. As a Simons Associate you will have a total grant of **Euro 12,000** to be spent over the above six-year period. These funds can be made available in the form of a daily allowance and/or travel expenses in connection with Associate visits or to support accompanying students or post-doctoral fellows.

You may, of course, visit at a time of your own choosing, though it may be more useful to plan these visits when scientific activities in your area of research are being held.

Simons Associateships are subject to certain conditions. You will be expected to make extended (1 month or more, up to a maximum of 70 days) visits to ICTP at least twice during the first three years of appointment. At the conclusion of each visit, a brief activity report describing research in progress, papers published or in preprint form, students and post-doctoral fellows advised and dates spent at the ICTP must be submitted.

Dr. Sanjib Kumar Agarwalla Institute of Physics, Bhubaneswar Sachivalaya Marg, Sainik School Post Bhubaneswar 751005 Orissa India The Centre has assigned you an individual scientific coordinator to whom this letter is being copied; please get in touch with your coordinator to plan the scientific programme you intend to carry out during your Associate visit. Once this plan is defined, the enclosed Form A should be completed and sent to the Office of Associate and Federation Schemes before 30 November of the year preceding this proposed visit.

Finally, I would like to mention that since its inception in 1964 the ICTP has gained a world-wide reputation as a Centre of excellence and as an instrument for the promotion of physics in developing countries. With the maturity of the Centre, we feel that the time has come to emphasize and expand its role, to the largest possible extent, by building up communities of scientists in developing countries. We rely on you, as an Associate, to strengthen the results already achieved and to promote initiatives in the developing countries, including your own. We look forward to having your personal involvement in the execution of our common mission.

With my best personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

Fernando Quevedo

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