Physicists are curious – they want to investigate, understand and explain nature and basic interrelationships and make them usable.

Here the DPG acts as the interface to enable a scientific exchange.

The DPG provides its members with a forum – supporting and promoting their interests in the community.

Advantages for members at a glance:

- DPG members journal “Physik Journal”:
  - 11 editions per year, incl. online access to full text version and archive
- Scientific exchange:
  - Up to 4 Spring Meetings per year; for DPG members greatly reduced participation fee; for students an option of support for travelling expenses within the framework of the Wilhelm and Else Heraeus communication programme
  - Scientific events in the Physikzentrum Bad Honnef (Conference Centre and DPG Head Office) and in the Magnus-Haus Berlin (venue for regular scientific debates and lectures as well as the DPG representation in the capital)
  - Advanced teacher training events in the Physikzentrum Bad Honnef
  - Support programme “Physik für Schülerinnen und Schüler” (Physics for pupils)
- Cooperation within the organisations of the DPG (working groups, divisions and regional groups, Young DPG, etc.)
- Miscellaneous:
  - laboratory visiting programme “Ein Tag vor Ort”
  - DPG mentoring programme for graduates and job starters
  - Internship exchange and much more

The annual membership fee is, for example:
- for students, pupils: € 13.00
- for employed persons: from € 26.50 to € 102.00
  (depending on income, as of: March 2019)

You can apply for membership online:

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“The whole is more than the sum of its parts”
Aristoteles

Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft
The non-profit association of physicists has plenty to offer its members!
About us:
The Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft e. V. (DPG) is available for everyone: it doesn’t matter whether they are students, professors, pupils, teachers, people working in industry or simply people who are interested in physics. DPG regards itself as the mouthpiece of physics and a contact for people interested in physics. As a non-profit association, it does not pursue any financial interests. In DPG up-and-coming scientists meet Nobel Prize laureates, interested persons meet experts and young and old come together. Together they are united to form the world’s biggest specialist physical community. DPG cooperates particularly closely with the Wilhelm und Else Heraeus Foundation.

DPG has plenty to offer:

>> Scientific dialogue <<
With the Frühjahrstagungen (Spring Meetings), which attract international visitors, DPG promotes the progressive exchange of scientific information. Every year around 10,000 experts from home and abroad meet here. One of these DPG meetings is regularly the biggest physics congress in Europe. The range of topics includes the most varied aspects of physics (e.g. energy and the environment, quantum computing, medicine and extraterrestrial).

>> Prizeworthy <<
DPG honours top performances in physics with internationally renowned awards, for instance
- the Max-Planck-Medal for Theoretical Physics,
- the Stern-Gerlach-Medal for Experimental Physics,
- the Gustav-Hertz-Prize for Young Physicists and much more.

>> DPG – from the school desk onwards <<
DPG organises competitions such as the “German Young Physicists’ Tournament”, promotes innovative school projects and organises and promotes advanced training courses for teachers. It also presents awards to high school graduates for outstanding physics performances throughout Germany. Within DPG there is the national network for people studying physics, the “Young DPG”. At the meetings students can directly engage in conversations with renowned scientists.

>> A gateway to physics <<
Once a year, together with the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), DPG organises the “Highlights der Physik”, which is the biggest physics festival in Germany with more than 30,000 visitors. All year round DPG offers background information on all issues related to physics on the Internet platform www.welt-der-physik.de, which is aimed at awakening and maintaining interest about physics and natural sciences amongst the broad public.

>> Social commitment <<
DPG takes a stance on the latest sociopolitical issues – through public relations work, studies and roadshows. In its free brochure of facts “Physikkonkret” DPG regularly publishes its expertise on the latest scientific and science policy issues in a generally comprehensible form.

>> Journals <<
“Physik Journal”, the DPG members journal is published eleven times a year. DPG publishes the “New Journal of Physics” together with the British Institute of Physics. This open access journal is exclusively available online throughout the world free of charge.

>> Physikzentrum Bad Honnef <<
DPG’s Head Office is located here – very close to the university town of Bonn. The physics centre is a forum for meeting and debate and enjoys a high reputation internationally. The Physikzentrum also has a conference centre providing room for an exchange of specialist knowledge between students, top scientists and teachers.

>> Magnus-Haus Berlin <<
The Magnus-Haus in Berlin-Mitte is the DPG’s office in the capital. With the events staged here DPG manages to decisively introduce its expertise into debates on physical and sociopolitical issues in the political nerve centre of Germany. At the same time the historic treasures of DPG are stored in the archive of the Magnus-Haus.