

Information Meeting

Department of Physics and Astronomy

27 October 2026



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Agenda

Department information meeting

 Wednesday 28 Oct 2026, 15:00 → 16:00 Europe/Stockholm

 Häggsalen, no Zoom

 Richard Brenner (Uppsala universitet)

Description Coffee/fika is served outside the meeting room from 15:00

Welcome!

15:00 → 15:15	Fika	 15m
15:15 → 15:30	Center for Geometry and Physics Speaker: Maxim Zabzine (Uppsala University)	 15m 
15:30 → 15:40	Department information Speaker: Richard Brenner (Uppsala universitet)	 10m 
15:40 → 16:00	CoAct Prize! Speakers: Camilla Thulin (Uppsala University), Oscar Grånäs (Div. of Materials Theory, Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, Uppsala University)	 20m 

Reasons to celebrate!



Francis Halzen, honorary doctor at Uppsala university received the Nobel Prize in Physics 2026. The IceCube group in Uppsala is a founding members of the telescope that led to the prize. Erin O'Sullivan is the current spokes person of IceCube.



The Swedish Research Council's strategic recruitment of associate senior lecturers initiative has resulted in funding for four researchers at Uppsala University. One of them is Raphael Jay at the Division of X-ray Photon Sciences at the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

More reasons to celebrate!



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The department was very successful in applying for Strategiska Forskningsområden (SFO). Uppsala University receives most project funding from KAW. Uppsala received 8 of 30 projects funded (96 MSEK). Three projects will be lead by researches from the department. Best in Sweden! There will be a separate cake ceremony later this fall.



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Department activity plan 2027

Since a few years the department is obliged to present for the faculty an activity plan for the next year. The plan has to be submitted by the end of January. The activity plan for the current year can be found on department [Sharepoint](#).

Planning of the activity plan starts in October at the department retreat for the board, PAP:s and division heads. Retreat held in Gimo 20-21 October.





The retreat focused on strategic focus of the research and need and process for future recruitments at the department. The retreat was a success. The work with the activity plan will continue in the fall in the units.



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