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Dear Colleagues,
Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is a pleasure and privilege for me to welcome you in Dubna and open the 5th Workshop on the Scientific Cooperation between German Research Centres and JINR.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy and successful New Year 2005.

Co-operation with Germany is a brilliant example of the JINR's scientific links. Today the JINR physicists are carrying out a wide range of research activities with German scientists from 71 institutions and universities located in 45 German cities.

The 5th Workshops is a regular meeting of experts to evaluate our cooperation. To my mind, the collaboration in theoretical physics, high-energy physics, heavy-ion physics, and condensed matter physics within the Agreement signed in 1991 and continued four times is very fruitful. It helps scientists to develop current activities and to establish new partnership relations.

I would like to note that the cooperation between physicists of JINR and Germany is mutually beneficial. In Dubna, German physicists have a good possibility of users' access to the neutron beams of the IBR-2 reactor at the Frank Laboratory of Neutron Physics and to the heavy-ion beams at the cyclotrons of the Flerov Laboratory of Nuclear Reactions. The research under way at the facilities of the Frank and Flerov Laboratories is complementary to the programmes at some German scientific centres. A new feature of our cooperation during the last few years is a mutual understanding of the need for coordination in the scientific policy definition. I am confident that the plans for realizing the new projects at GSI and DESY have an excellent scientific potential. The coordination of our scientific programmes is an evident example of the collaboration going on in a well-organized way.

I would also like to note that new educational forms of the JINR activity have been intensively developing together with scientists from Germany. In the context of this activity, for example, the International Workshops and Schools on Theoretical Physics in Dubna have lately become an effective means for bringing young scientists together.

The Directorate of JINR and its international staff highly appreciate the cooperation between JINR and German research centres, attach to it utmost importance, and look forward to its successful continuation.

On behalf of the Directorate of the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research, I sincerely wish you a successful Workshop, productive scientific discussions, and also a pleasant stay in Dubna.

Thank you very much for your attention.