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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO INFN LEGNARO NATIONAL LABORATORIES

The celebration ceremony for the 60th anniversary of the INFN Legnaro National Laboratories took place on 15th October. The

event was attended, among the others, by the President of INFN Antonio Zoccoli, the main protagonists of the scientific and institutional history of the Laboratories, the Rector of the University of Padua and the main representatives of the local Institutions and Administrations. To welcome the guests, the Director of the Legnaro Laboratories, Fabiana Gramegna. Attended by the main protagonists of the scientific and institutional history of the Laboratories, the event prosecuted with a commemorative seminar by Renato Angelo Ricci, Professor Emeritus of the University of Padua, former director of the Legnaro Laboratories from 1968 to 1979, and ended with a review on the activities and prospects of the Laboratories, conducted by Jose Javier Valiente Dobón.

Founded in 1961 as the Nuclear Research Center of the Veneto Region, the Legnaro Laboratories became the second INFN National Laboratories in 1968. Today they represent one of the major research infrastructures of the Veneto Region. They work in close synergy with other research institutions, primarily the University of Padua, but also other Public Research centres, such as the RFX consortium. Their activity not only produces internationally recognized scientific results, but also generates a significant indirect income in the Region, with important orders especially in the fields of mechanics and electronics. In their 60 years of history, the Legnaro Laboratories have been architects of successes and promoters of growth, thanks to the great work of all the staff that has followed over the years, with the passage of skills and the development of activities that, in the different historical periods, have often reached the frontiers of technology and research, becoming a place of culture, where ideas can arise, grow and be realized.

The whole recording of the event "60 years of physics and innovation at Legnaro National Laboratories" can be found at: https://youtu.be/79SviU-7aX8. ■