



# EPS Young Minds Project

Promoting the next generation of leaders in sciences  
Creating an environment where young scientists assume an active role



- International networking,
- young researchers involvement with the scientific community,
- promotion of science among local communities;

...these should be goals of every young researcher in Europe.

These highly-rewarding activities are time-consuming and hence the focus of most young minds is on getting their research task done. A strong institutional support is therefore deeply needed. And this is the kind of support is now available in the framework of the EPS Young Minds Project.



# EPS - YOUNG MINDS SECTION

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Young scientists, from undergraduates to postdoctoral researchers, are encouraged to organize

## **EPS Young Minds Sections**

that collaborate to develop scientific, networking and outreach activities.

These Sections are composed of at least four members:

- a president,
- a vice-president,
- a secretary,
- a treasurer.

**Students must be  
members of EPS or  
of a National  
Physical Society**

A local senior professor acts as advisor to the local Section, providing advice and assistance.

# YOUNG MINDS SECTION ACTIVITIES

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These Sections offer many benefits to their members and the local communities:

- **seminars and colloquia** can help broaden the knowledge of the members outside their special field of interest;
- **visits to local industries and research labs** can boost the integration between industry and research, while providing an outlook on the possible employment possibilities for recent graduates;
- **educational outreach programs** to local schools and communities can provide a stimulus for new generations of scientists and increase the awareness for the importance of scientific research amongst the widest public.
- **international networking**: one-to-one exchanges between YM Sections; European-level student conferences; and interaction with the student organizations of other organizations.

**EPS and the affiliated national societies will provide financial support for such activities through a specific granting scheme.**

# YOUNG MINDS BENEFITS

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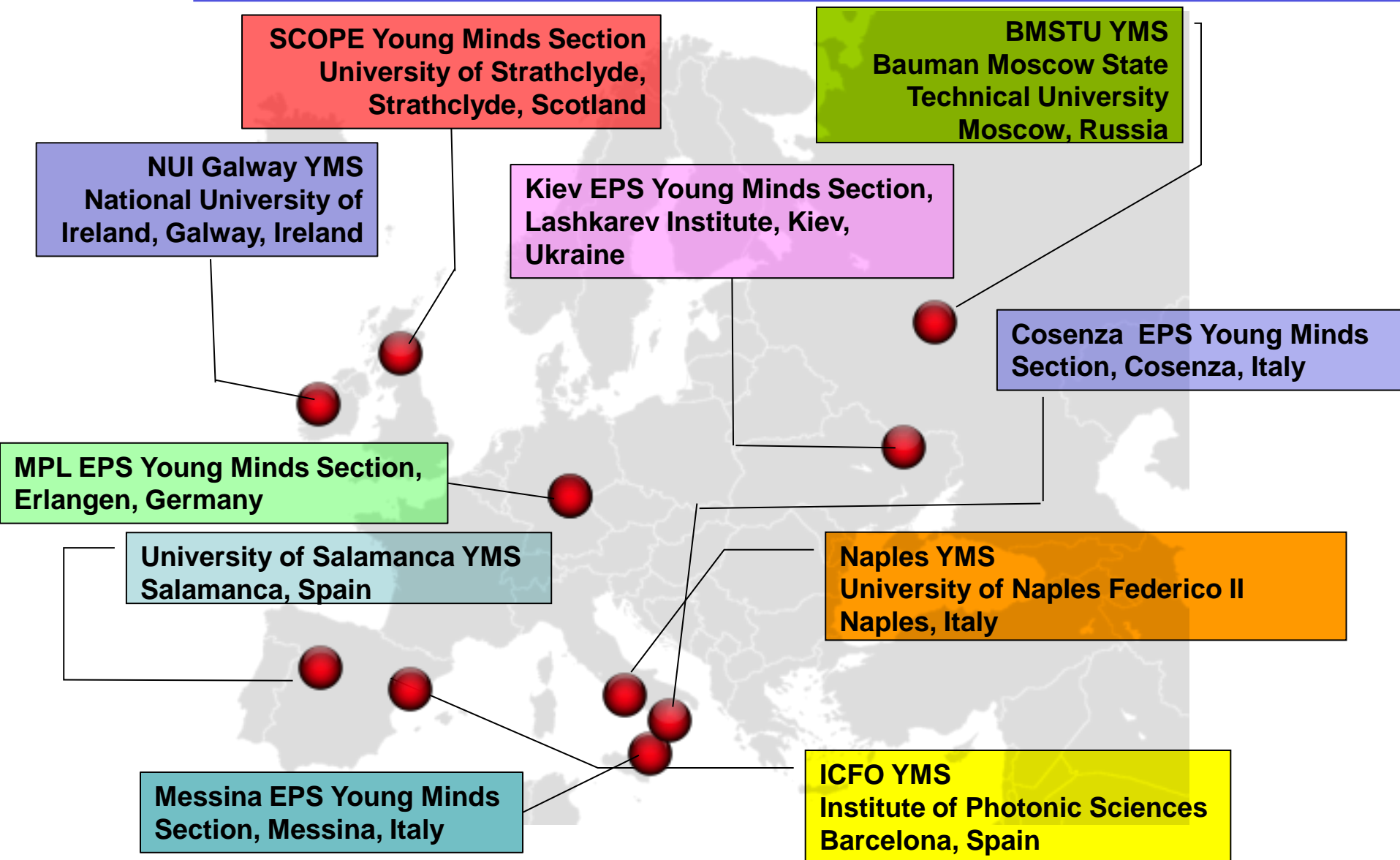
The Young Minds Project is currently supporting the following activities:

- Educational Outreach (up to 400€);
- Seminars (up to 300€);
- Networking (up to 300€).

Each Local Section can be awarded Activity Grants totalling up to 1000€ per year.

**In 2010 we had 15 approved projects over 4 Sections**

# YM SECTIONS IN EUROPE



# YM ACTION COMMITTEE

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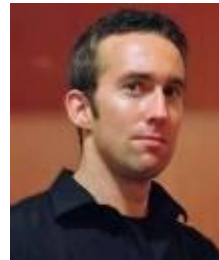
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# COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Action Committee meets every 3 months.

- ✓ February 2010, Mulhouse;
- ✓ May 2010, Barcelona;
- ✓ 24 September 2010, Naples.





# NAPLES YMS: SOME ACTIVITIES

*YMS opening celebration*



*Teaching Electromagnetism  
in secondary schools*



*Permanent Exhibition for Scientific  
Education*

# ADVERTISEMENT



Promoting the  
next generation of  
leaders in physics

[www.epsyoungminds.org](http://www.epsyoungminds.org)

The Young Minds Project is the latest initiative of the **European Physical Society** to promote the next generation of leaders in physics by creating an environment where young physicists assume an active role. EPS encourages all active young scientists, from undergraduates to postdoctoral researchers, to **organize local Young Minds Sections that will collaborate to develop scientific, networking and outreach activities.**

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By courtesy of  
Naples YM Section  
Outreach Activities

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying the homepage of the EPS Young Minds Project. The browser's address bar shows the URL <http://www.epsyoungminds.org/index.php?topic=home>. The website features a blue header with the project name and a navigation menu with orange buttons for Home, Local Sections, Resources, and About. The main content area includes a paragraph about the project's mission, a link to create a local section, and a 'Latest News' section with three news items, each accompanied by a Young Minds logo.

EPS Young Minds Project

Home | Local Sections | Resources | About

Boosting the creativity of young minds, setting up a bright, brave, creative, determined, passionate and focused initiative -- this is the essence of the **EPS Young Minds Project**. As this project is open to all enthusiastic young researchers in Europe, be sure to be part of the next generation of leaders in science. Get this stimulus and join the EPS Young Minds Project today!

[Create a Young Minds Local Section](#)

**Latest News**

- Thu, 27 May 2010**  
YMP Committee meets in Barcelona  
[\[ read more \]](#)
- Mon, 3 May 2010**  
YM Section established in Naples  
[\[ read more \]](#)
- Sun, 2 May 2010**  
YM Section established in Moscow  
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