

60 YEARS OF SCIENCE AND PEACE: THE CELEBRATIONS IN ERICE



The [Ettore Majorana Foundation and Centre for Scientific Culture](#) in Erice, founded and chaired by Professor Antonino Zichichi, former president of INFN, is celebrating sixty years of commitment to promoting science and peace. Sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, the event was held on Saturday 11 November in Erice. It was the occasion for signing the new [Erice Manifesto](#) a document that renews the [original 1982 manifesto](#), then promoted by Zichichi and the Nobel Prize winners Paul Dirac and Pëtr Leonidovič Kapitza

and signed by more than 90,000 scientists.

Every year, for more than half a century, the Majorana Foundation has hosted one hundred scientific, medical, and humanities schools, in which approximately 160,000 students from all over the world, thousands of professors, scientists, and 158 Nobel Prize winners have participated, making Erice globally unique in its promotion of knowledge and peace. INFN has supported and participated in the activities of the Foundation right from its foundation, organising and supporting courses for young scientists in all the main fields of fundamental physics and its applications: subnuclear, nuclear, and astroparticle physics, accelerators and radiation detectors, medical physics, supercomputing, right up to the most recent applications of quantum computers and artificial intelligence, including an annual school dedicated to journalism and scientific communication.