

50 EMBC years

Welcome Address

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Some research on common history...

- **1964**: EMBO was established → roots of EMBC and EMBL
- **1969**: EMBC as an intergovernmental **institution like CERN**
CERN ↔ Wolfgang Gentner in the 1950's → MPIK
EMBC ↔ Leó Szilárd, Viktor Weisskopf,
- **1971**: Heidelberg was selected as location for EMBL
 - 1972/73 planning team moved into GSI-barracks at MPIK
 - support by MPIK administration
 - U. Schmidt-Rohr (MPIK director) → EMBL Building Committee
... details about planning details in his book ...
- **1974**: EMBL was created as a "Special Project" of EMBC with the support of a subset of the EMBC Member States
- **May 5, 1978**: Big EMBL inauguration ceremony at MPIK lecture hall



administration

This is an aerial photograph of a military installation, likely a garrison, surrounded by dense forest. The installation includes several large buildings, parking lots filled with vehicles, and a large open field. Three specific areas are highlighted with red circles: a central administrative building complex, a barracks complex in the lower-left, and a cluster of buildings in the upper-right. A road runs along the bottom edge of the installation, and a large body of water or a cleared area is visible in the lower-right corner.

GSI-barracks

1978

May 5, 1978: EMBL inauguration ceremony in the MPIK lecture hall



Sir John Kendrew, EMBL's first Director General, greets the then German Federal Minister for Science and Education

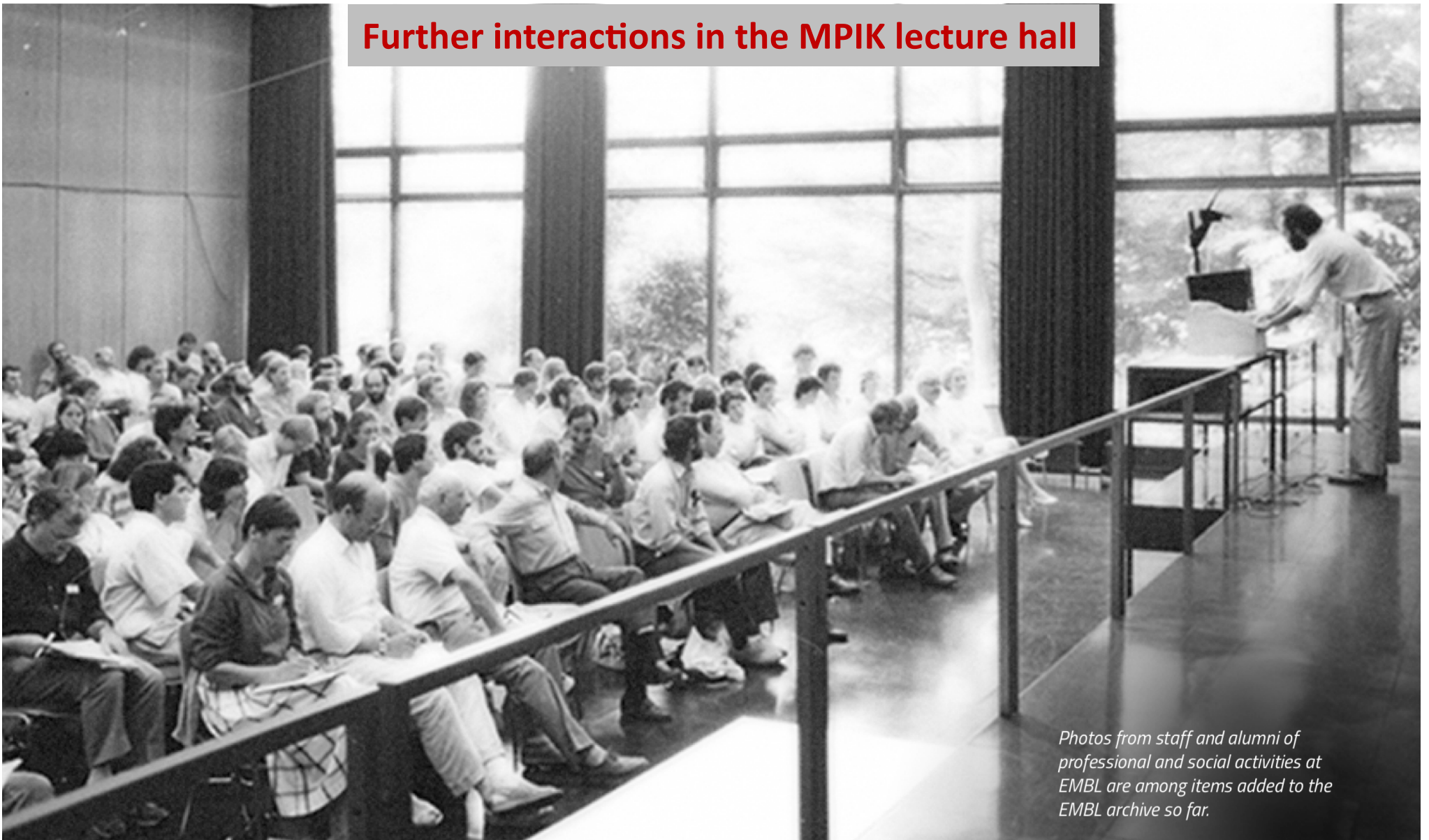
Bundespräsident W. Scheel (→ Breschnjew visit...)
Volker Hauf, German ministry for Research and Technology
Many ministries from EMBL countries
Sir John Kendrew, EMBL director
E.C.Slater, Amsterdam, Chair EMBL Council
Reinhold Zundel, Major of Heidelberg
...



Der Hörsaal um 1965.



Further interactions in the MPIK lecture hall



Photos from staff and alumni of professional and social activities at EMBL are among items added to the EMBL archive so far.

After 1978: EMBL usage of MPIK computing center

CDC 3300 for batch operation, 96k memory, 6 discs with in total 12 MB and 6 magnetic tapes

Welcome and congratulations

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... and you are always welcome at MPIK:

75 EMBC
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