

# 50 **EMBC** years

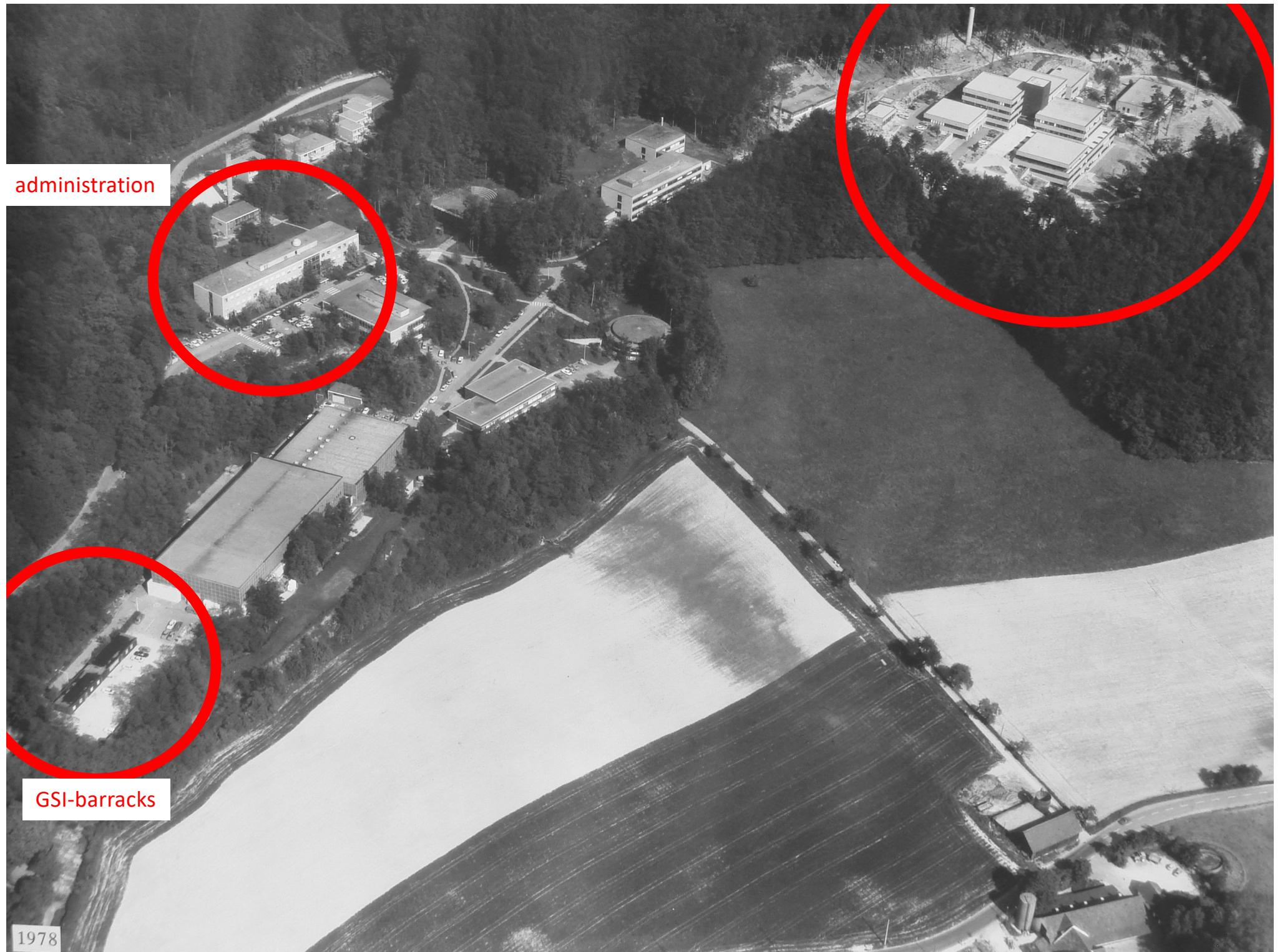
## Welcome Address

**Manfred Lindner**



# 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



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

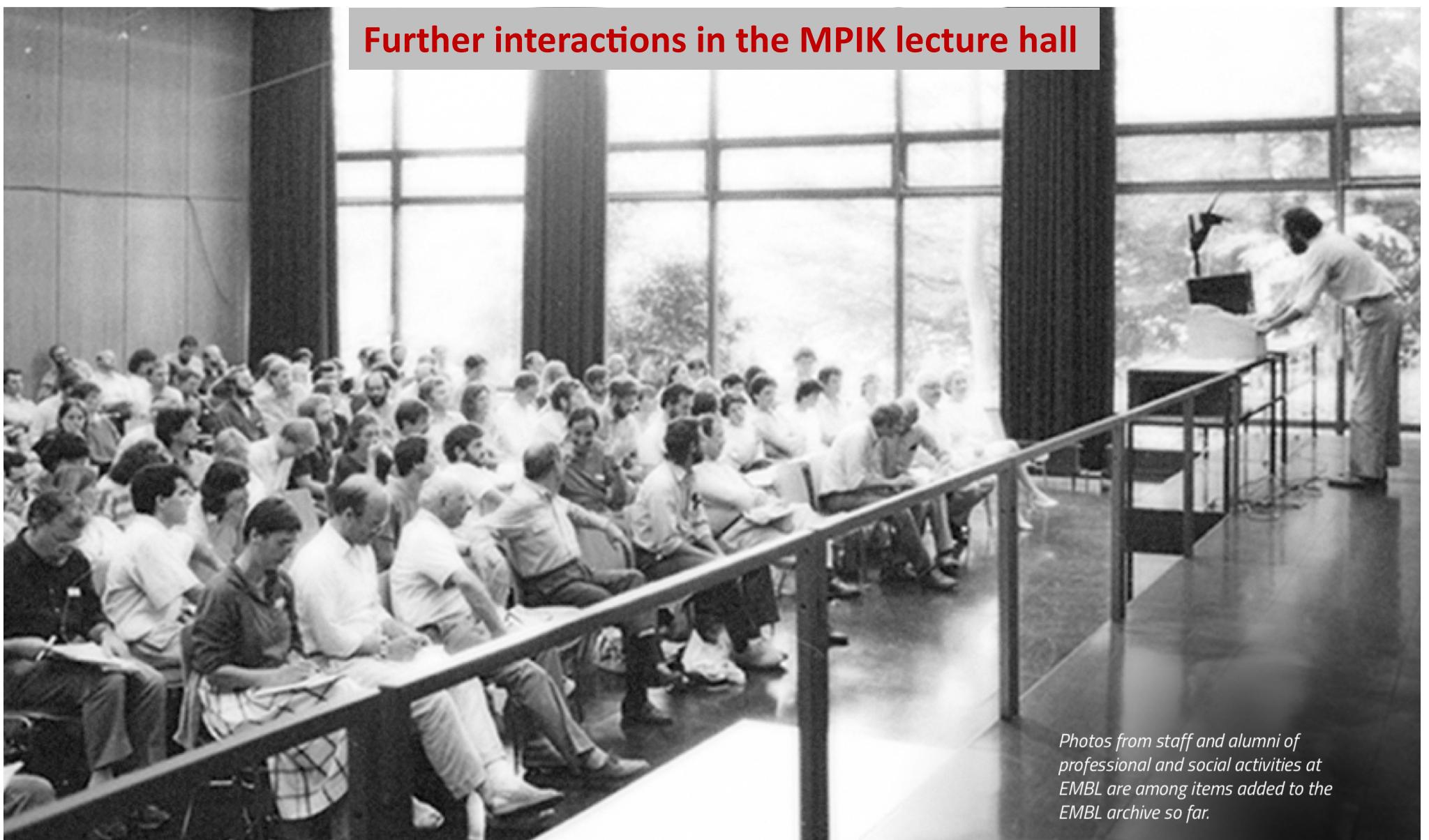


Der Hörsaal um 1965.

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  
...



## 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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