

FOREWORD

During 1998, 154 bibliographic items have been published, 19 among them in international scientific journals of highest rank, 1 in the book of an international publisher, 27 in national scientific journals, 3 in books reproducing invited lectures of international conferences, 79 as contributed papers of international and national conferences, and 15 in the IAU circulars. Five invited lectures and progress reports have been given by Observatory's fellows at international conferences and one at a national one. Four reviews and monographic texts have been published in national publications.

Numbers 157 and 158 of the Observatory's publication SERBIAN ASTRONOMICAL JOURNAL, as well as Nos. 59, 60, 61 and 62 of the PUBLICATIONS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY OF BELGRADE have been issued. These publications are regularly sent to 130 institutions and libraries in 43 countries and to 14 institutions and libraries within Yugoslavia.

Observatory's fellows have participated in works of 16 Scientific conferences abroad (28 participations by 19 fellows) and six conferences in Yugoslavia (61 participation by 28 fellows).

Organized by the Observatory were:

1. IV Yugoslav - Romanian Astronomical Meeting, Belgrade, 5-8.05.1998.
2. I Bulgarian - Serbian Astronomical Seminar, Belgradchik, 6-7.08 1998
3. II Yugoslav - Belarussian Symposium on Physics and Diagnostics of Laboratory and Astrophysical Plasmas, Zlatibor, 5-6.09.1998.

During 1998, Observatory's fellows have continued collaboration with their colleagues in Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Estonia, France, Greece, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, North Ireland, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Turkey, Ukraina, USA and Uzbekistan. In the bilateral protocol between Yugoslav and Italian governments on scientific collaboration, a project on collaboration between Belgrade Astronomical Observatory (Z. Knežević in charge) and Università di Pisa (A. Milani in charge), is included.

Besides numerous newspaper articles and radio and TV emissions Observatory's fellows authored, they gave 32 lectures on astronomical subjects outside our institution contributing to the cultural life in our country. Moreover 16 lectures have been given at the Astronomical Observatory itself.

As from 1998 Astronomical Observatory has an internet connection available from each personal computer at the Observatory with Windows 95 installed. I would like to indicate likewise that Serbian Astronomical Journal is available on www through the Astrophysical Data System (ADS), thanks to the courtesy of the System's holders. The www address is: <http://adswww.harvard.edu.BOBeo>.