

Stanford Penner appointed chairman of U.S. Advisory Committee on the International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis

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Dr. Stanford S. Penner, professor of engineering physics and director of the UCSD Energy Center at the University of California, San Diego, has been appointed to a second two-year term as chairman of the U.S. Advisory Committee on the International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) in Laxenburg near Vienna, Austria.

HASA is supported by 17 member countries with the U.S. and U.S.S.R. serving as primary sponsors. The National Academy of Sciences serves as executive agency for U.S. oversight over HASA. HASA studies deal with such global problems as energy supplies and food for the world.

The U.S. advisory apparatus for HASA, which has by tradition a director who is a U.S. citizen, includes subcommittees dealing with energy systems, food and agriculture, resources and environment, human settlements and services, management and technology, and systems and decision sciences.

Penner has been associated with HASA since 1976 when he was named a member of the Advisory Committee and chairman of the Liaison Subscommittee on Management and Technology. A year later, he was also appointed to the Liaison Subcommittee on Energy Systems.

Penner came to UC San Diego in 1964 as professor and first chairman of the Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering Sciences after serving for 14 years on the faculty of the California Institute of Technology. In 1968 he was named director of the Institute for Pure and Applied Physical Sciences, a post he held for three and one-half years. Since 1972 he has been responsible for the development of energy-related programs and courses on the San Diego campus.

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