Dear Members of the DUNE Institutional Board,

I am honored that I have been nominated to serve a 2nd term as the chair of the DUNE IB.

The IB is an important body in the collaboration, which not only sets the rules on how we govern ourselves, but also admits new collaborators and it assures that all voices are heard and that proper procedures are followed striking a balance between the big and the small institutions, the different regions, and interests. The IB is effectively the parliament holding the ultimate power, while the cospokespeople lead the executive.

I see my role as IB chair to make sure that we work together effectively, in a democratic and collaborative manner and if possible, by consensus, ensuring that the rules we have set ourselves are followed. Over the past two years, I have streamlined the process admitting new institutions, overseen the process removing inactive institution, the update of the community agreement (formerly code of conduct), numerous adjustments of the Governance of the DUNE Collaboration, and instigated several sub-committees to improve the way we govern ourselves, taking the views of young and experienced collaborators into account.

Let's continue working together to ensure that DUNE will be the best experiment possible, celebrating our diversity in a working environment that is open and welcoming for everybody.

I would be happy to serve the collaboration for another two years as the chair of the DUNE Institutional Board.

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(Alfons Weber)

Mainz, 16th of April 2023