## STAFF

As of 1 January 2009, the total number of the staff members at the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research was 4600.

Working at JINR are: Full Members of the Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS) — V.Kadyshevsky, Yu.Oganessian, A.Sissakian, A.Tavkhelidze, D.Shirkov; Corresponding Members of RAS — A.Korsheninnikov, I.Meshkov, G.Shirkov; Members of other state academies of sciences — V.Moskalenko, I.Zvara, R.Mir-Kasimov; 265 Doctors of Science, 560 Candidates of Science, including 86 Professors and 19 Assistant Professors.

In 2008, there were 371 people employed and 910 people discharged because of engagement period expiry and for other reasons.

During the year, the following academic titles were conferred: Academician -1, Professor -3, and Assistant Professor -1.

In 2008, 13 scientists received a Candidate of Science degree. Among them were scientists from JINR (9), Armenia (2), and Slovakia (1).

## AWARDS

By the Order of the President of the Russian Federation Num. 920 of 10 June 2008, for large contribution to theoretical physics and training of scientific staff, Honorary Director of the Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics (JINR) Academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences **D. Shirkov** was awarded the Order of Merit for Country, Degree IV.

By the Order of the President of the Russian Federation Num. 331 of 11 March 2008, for achievements in labour and long-standing fruitful work, JINR Directorate Adviser Corresponding Member of RAS *I. Meshkov* was awarded *the Order of Friendship*.

By the Order of the President of the Russian Federation Num. 1702 of 1 December 2008, for achievements in labour and long-standing fruitful work, director of the JINR Museum of the History of Science and Technology senior researcher *G. Vardenga* was awarded the Medal of the Order of Merit for Country, Degree II.

A number of staff members received other awards. For merits for JINR, long-standing and successful activities, the title *«Honorary JINR Staff Member»* was conferred on 3 JINR staff members.

*«JINR Honorary Diploma»* was awarded to 7 staff members. 217 JINR staff members were awarded the official decoration for distinction in labour *«The Veteran of Atomic Energy and Industry»*.

The title *«Honorary Doctor»* was conferred on *N. Króo* (Hungary), *G. Vartapetyan* (Armenia), *T. Iganaki* (Japan) for their outstanding service to JINR in the development of priority directions of science and technology, and training of scientific staff.