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## Old friends are forever

In early October 2021 a conference "Modern problems of genetics, radiobiology, radioecology and evolution" is scheduled in the center of international conferences in Nor-Amberd (<https://indico.jinr.ru/event/1069/overview>). The participants presence will be both in person and online. It poses rather stringent constraints on the networking equipment; there is a need to strengthen the Internet channel at the station. Together with the staff of the Joint Institute of Nuclear Research (JINR, Dubna, Russia) CRD experts developed a project of the modernization of the communication channel Nor-Amberd - Yerevan and the local network in Nor-Amberd. JINR directorate generously purchase the networking equipment and send 2 experts to install and tune it. During visit to Armenia in June JINR experts Nikolai Smirnov and Dmitry Smirnov install the Ubiquiti AirFiber AF-5U radio-bridge and with the staff of the Cosmic Ray Department of the Yerevan Physics Institute fully modernize the local network at the Nor Amberd station premises. Thus, the ambitious project was successfully implemented.

High qualifications of JINR employees helps to resolve numerous technical issues. The upcoming conference made it possible to refresh scientific ties with Russia and we hope to expand our cooperation to new scientific disciplines.



Amberd fortress, after excursion to the high-mountain station Aragats. From left to right: Dmitry Smirnov, Nikolay Smirnov, Ashot Chilingaryan, Tigran Karapetyan and Tatul Karapetyan.

