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Creating an International Scientific Society as an Act of Scientific Rebellion WILLIAM COLLIS, International Society of Condensed Matter Nuclear Science — When a new science is born, it is often necessary to unite dispersed groups of researchers all over the world. In this talk, I intend to describe the process of constituting and managing a new international scientific society covering such diverse issues as: 1.) Rationale; 2.) Initial feelers; 3.) Achieving consensus in the international community; 4.) Choice of jurisdiction; 5.) Corporate format; 6.) Establishing international pre-eminence in law; 7.) Reducing expenses; 8.) Tax minimization; 9.) Decision making; 10.) Democracy & transparency; 11.) Raising funds; 12.) Rewarding excellence; 13.) Online publishing; 14.) Organizing meetings. These issues will be covered with reference to the history of the International Society of Condensed Matter Nuclear Science, which will celebrate its second birthday in March 2006. It currently has nearly 200 members from 23 different countries.

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