

International Mathematical Union

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To: Adhering Organizations
Committees for Mathematics

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Re: **Call for Nominations to the Nominating Committee of IMU**

The delegates at the 2002 General Assembly (GA) in Shanghai, China, passed Resolution 8. It states:

The General Assembly of IMU expects the Executive Committee to develop a proposed mechanism to involve members from the National Committees for Mathematics, not on the Executive Committee, to assist in the selection of slates. This proposal should be put forth to the 2006 General Assembly.

In order to comply with Resolution 8, the Executive Committee (EC) of IMU has drafted a Nominating Committee Model (attached) that will be tested for the selection process of the slates to be presented to the delegates at the 2006 GA in Spain. The Nominating Committee will consist of seven people and will prepare the selection of slates for the IMU EC, Commission on Development and Exchanges (CDE), and International Commission on the History of Mathematics (ICHM). Until presented to the GA in 2006, the Nominating Committee will be operated informally as an advisory body to the IMU EC. Experience gained can be incorporated into a formal proposal for a change in the Statutes at the 15th IMU GA in 2006.

The EC, in conjunction with its Commission on Mathematical Instruction (ICMI), has drafted a separate Nominating Committee Model for ICMI. Further information regarding the ICMI Nominating Committee Model will be available in a future circular letter.

The Chair of the 2006 Nominating Committee is Ludwig Faddeev, Euler International Mathematical Institute, St. Petersburg, Russia, and a former President of IMU.

Below are the guidelines that the Adhering Organizations are asked to follow:

- 1) Each Adhering Organization (AO) may submit one name to be a Member of the Nominating Committee. This person cannot work in the same country as the chair of the committee and the president of IMU, namely Russia and the United Kingdom.
- 2) All submissions should be sent via e-mail, post or fax to IMU. All e-mail submissions must be sent from the official e-mail address of the AO.
- 3) The deadline for receipt of nominations, from which a random

- selection will be made (according to the process described in item #3 of the Nominating Committee Model), is December 31, 2004.
- 4) All candidates should be willing to serve.
 - 5) No member of the Nominating Committee will be eligible to hold an office for 2006-2010 on EC, CDE or ICHM.

In order to make this very important committee of the highest quality, we urge each AO to make a nomination.

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