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To: The Adhering Organizations of the International Mathematical Union (IMU)

From: Helge Holden, IMU Secretary General

Call for nominations to the Nominating Committee of IMU

Dear colleagues,

This email marks the beginning of the preparations of the next meeting of the IMU General Assembly (GA) to be held in St Petersburg, Russia, on 3–4 July 2022. Adhering Organizations of Associate Members receive this letter for information only.

The IMU Executive Committee (EC) has started forming the Nominating Committee (NC), whose task it is to present slates of nominations to the Adhering Organizations (AOs) prior to the GA meeting in St Petersburg. Every AO is requested to nominate at most one person for this Nominating Committee.

The NC is one of the most important IMU committees since it has a strong influence on the composition of the IMU leadership for the term 2023–2026.

The role of the Nominating Committee is described in detail at: https://www.mathunion.org/fileadmin/IMU/EC/Procedures_for_Election_2020-08-19.pdf

The duty of the NC is to present a slate to the GA for candidates for membership of the IMU EC, the CDC, and the ICHM for the term 2023–2026, see below.

The composition of the NC is as follows:

- (a) The President of IMU.
- (b) The Chair (chosen by the IMU President).
- (c) Three other persons (chosen at random from AO nominations).
- (d) Two persons with experience of IMU (chosen jointly by the NC Chair and the IMU President).

This call for nominations concerns the three persons mentioned under item (c).

The IMU Executive Committee asks for the nomination of persons

- who are not current members of the IMU Executive Committee,
- who are willing to serve, and
- who do not work in the same country as the NC Chair or the IMU President.

The IMU President Carlos E. Kenig has chosen Wendelin Werner (IMU EC member 2011–2018) as the Chair of the NC. In particular, this implies that no person working in the US or in Switzerland can be nominated.

One person is to be chosen from nominations submitted by Groups I and II, one person chosen from nominations submitted by Groups III and IV and one person chosen from nominations submitted by Group V. Each Adhering Organization may submit one name of a person who is willing to serve. If there are no nominations in one of these three categories, then a person will be chosen at random from the other two categories.

All submissions are to be sent via email to the IMU Secretary General at secretary@mathunion.org. All email submissions must be sent from the official email address of the Adhering Organization. Email submissions will be acknowledged.

Additional requirements:

- Every nomination of a candidate has to be accompanied by a statement of the candidate that he or she is willing to serve.
- No member of the Nominating Committee will be eligible to hold an office for 2023–2026 on the IMU EC, CDC or ICHM.

The deadline for receipt of nominations from which a random selection will be made is
1 December 2020.

The Nominating Committee is scheduled to be complete by 1 February 2021, and according to the tradition, the AOs will be informed about its composition at that time.

Regards

Helge Holden
Secretary General of the International Mathematical Union

Duties of the IMU Nominating Committee

(a) Nomination slates will be formed for the IMU Executive Committee (EC), IMU Commission for Developing Countries (CDC), and the International Commission on the History of Mathematics (ICHM).

(b) The slates for the commissions will be formed taking advice from the current officers of these commissions, but this advice is not binding on the IMU Nominating Committee.

(c) The IMU Nominating Committee will nominate one name for the position of President of IMU, Secretary General of IMU, President of CDC, and Secretaries of CDC and one name for each of the two Vice Presidents of IMU.

The IMU Nominating Committee will nominate at least two more names than the number of Members-at-Large of the IMU EC, at least two names for each of the three positions for CDC Members-at-Large in representation of Africa, Asia, and Latin America, and at least two more names than the number of ICHM representatives.