



DHST Commissions/Sections Report 2024

1. Administrative Details

a. General

Commission/Section name *

International Commission on the History of Mathematics

Website *

<https://www.mathunion.org/ichm>

Are the details of your Commission/Section on the DHST website correct? *

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

b. Names, Offices, and Email Addresses of the Officers

Office (e.g., president, treasurer, etc.) *

Name *

Email *

Chair

June Barrow-Green

june.barrow-green@open.ac.uk

Vice-Chair

Clemency Montelle

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Secretary

Sloan Despeaux

despeaux@email.wcu.edu

Treasurer

Eisso Atzema

eisso.atzema@maine.edu

Add officer



c. Membership

Please describe briefly the procedure for becoming a member of your Commission/Section (by application, if there is membership fee, etc). *

Member countries are:

Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Belorussia, Brazil, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Iceland, Iran, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Taiwan, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, USA.

To become a member, countries apply to the ICHM EC, usually through a national learned society. There is no membership fee.

Please provide the number of current members of your section/commission (may be an estimate): *

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d. Statutes and Bylaws

Does the Commission/Section have formal statutes or bylaws? *

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Please include the statutes or bylaws here (text, URL or PDF file).

Text or URL:

<https://www.mathunion.org/ichm/about-us/rules-governance-ichm-and-its-executive-committee-ec>

Or upload a PDF file:

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e. Significant Changes (optional)

Please describe any significant changes (if any) in organizational structure, governance, statutes/bylaws since the last report.

None

f. Other (optional)

Use this field if you wish to provide any additional information related to the administration of your Commission / Section.

2. Past Activities, Future Plans, and Relationship with the DHST

a. Activity Report *

Please describe briefly the main academic and outreach activities of your Commission / Section since the previous report. Tell us about the events and publications organized or sponsored; early career scholars supported in any way; new initiatives taken, etc.

Feel free to provide a short narrative description, or a list, or a synopsis, whatever is more convenient. Also, feel free to include links to your initiatives. Leave details of expenses incurred for a later section of this form. At this point, the DHST Council simply wishes to appreciate the range of activities undertaken by the Commissions / Sections.

Report:

Our main activity is supporting scholars, especially early career scholars or scholars from under-developed countries, to organise and to attend international conferences. In addition we provide grants to early career scholars for individual projects, such as archive visits or digitisation. We also provide support for history of mathematics initiatives within mathematics, such as special sessions within mathematics conferences or international lecture series.

In 2024 we have supported two specialist history of mathematics conferences, including the Novembertagung which is a conference for and organised by early career researchers in history of mathematics.
https://drive.google.com/file/d/16fDjpQxsXUBO3G4zj_a2-rhTnEKO_5KV/view

We sponsored a Summer School at ICMS in Edinburgh on "Current research on the history of mathematics: new questions and new approaches" which was exclusively for ECRs.
<https://www.icms.org.uk/workshops/2024/summer-school-history-mathematics-current-research-history-mathematics-ancient-world>

We were joint organisers of a panel on translation at the European Congress of Mathematics in Seville in July.
 Together with the International Academy for History of Science and the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, we organised an online lecture and panel discussion on the history of 'big mathematics' in September.

We have awarded three individual grants to early-career scholars, two of whom were speaking at the BSHM Research in Progress meeting in Oxford in March.

Alternatively, you can upload a PDF file of your report:

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b. Future Plans *

Please tell us about your Commission/Section plans, both in the near future (concrete activities you hope to undertake in 2025, new initiatives in the making, etc.) and in the longer term (what is your vision for your Commission/Section).

If you are planning activities in 2025 that require the financial support of the DHST please mention here. Later in this form, you will be asked to provide the numbers.

Future plans

We are sponsoring four symposia at the ICHST in Dunedin. We will be awarding funding to facilitate attendance at the Congress by ECRs, unemployed scholars and other disadvantaged groups. One symposium has five eligible scholars hoping to attend in person and one symposium has three eligible scholars hoping to attend in person. We will do what we can to support all these scholars but we will only be able to cover a small proportion of their expenses.

The ICHST is where we hold our open meeting and award our prizes – the May Medal & Prize to senior scholars and the Montucla Prize to ECRs. We hope that the prize-winners will be able to travel to Dunedin to receive their prizes and have set aside funds for this purpose, although it is unlikely that we will be able to cover all expenses for all prize-winners – it will largely depend on where they live.

Nevertheless, we have been able to set aside more funds for participation in the 2025 ICHST than previous ICHSTs due to having greater reserves as a result of the cancellation of the in-person ICHST in 2021.

In 2025 we anticipate supporting the 2025 Novembertagung, as well as making grants to individual ECRs. We will also support an international workshop on global histories and material cultures of accountancy and metrology should the application to ICMS in Edinburgh for the workshop be successful.

This is as much as we know at present, but doubtless other calls for our support will emerge as time progresses.

Alternatively, you can upload a PDF file of your future plans

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c. Feedback (optional)

If you have comments, suggestions, criticisms or questions regarding the relation between your Commission/Section and the DHST, please share them with us.

Feel free to tell us how you think the DHST Council could be more useful for your Commission/Section, how you think we could improve our work, what you think is missing, etc.

Feedback

I find it quite difficult to fill in the financial part of the form as we have funds from other sources which makes the accounting look rather odd! However, I hope it is clear that most of our funds are, quite rightly, being spent on ECRs and disadvantaged groups.

3. Financial Report and Grant Request

a. Income in 2024

Amounts to be stated in EUR.

Remainder from previous DHST grants on November 24, 2023 (previous report submitted) *

0.00

In EUR

DHST grant received in 2024 *

2000.00

In EUR

Total income from
the DHST (EUR)

2000

b. Expenses incurred after November 24, 2023 to the moment

All expenses need to be stated in EUR.

Support for early career scholars

Scholar's name and affiliation	Details of the expense (e.g., registration fee for [conference name], travel support, etc.)	Cost (EUR)
S. Popovic	book	87.55
C. Bonvoisin	travel support for BSHM Research in Progress	238.05
P.E. Timotei	travel support for BSHM Research in Progress	177.97
mathematics-ancient-world	to make up the 2000 grant.)	1362,98
Add expense		

All other expenses**General description (e.g., web site, admin, etc.)** **Further details (if applicable)**

Bank fees and administration

see Excel spreadsheet

Cost (EUR)

133.45

**Total expenses
after Nov 24, 2023**

2000

*

In EUR

Please upload all the bank statements, receipts, invoices, etc. here ***CURRENT
BALANCE (EUR)**

0

c. Expenses not yet realized but already allocated

In case your commission/section has funds remaining from the previous grant that are allocated for specific ends, you may use this space to explain in detail why it hasn't yet been possible to realize the expenses and how and when they will be used. This is optional, but it may help the Council decide if it is the case of making an exception to the general rule that unused funds should be discounted from newly requested grants.

We have awarded up to 2500 Euros to 34th Novembertagung which took place 11-13 November 2024. We have not yet been asked for payment or sent the receipts. Over 40 ECRs were registered for the conference so we anticipate that the organisers will require the full amount.

**Already planned
expenses**

2500

In EUR

**PROJECTED
BALANCE AFTER
REALIZATION OF
ALL EXPENSES
(EUR)**

-2500

d. Grant request

This year, in addition to the regular grant of up to 2000 EUR, we are offering a special 1000 EUR additional grant that must be used exclusively to support in-person participation of early career scholars, historically underrepresented groups, scholars at risk, scholars in need, and precariously employed people in the New Zealand International Congress of History of Science and Technology.

Are you applying for the DHST regular grant? *

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Mandatory budget proposal

Please give an overview below of your planned expenses for 2025. The maximum amount you can apply for in the regular grant is 2000 EUR. It can be used for the following expenses:

- 1. Online activities. This includes your website but can also include e.g. Zoom licenses, web maintenance, etc.*
- 2. Administrative costs. This includes bank fees, postal expenses, etc.*
- 3. Financial support (e.g. conference and research travel grants, publication costs, awards, etc.) to early career scholars, historically underrepresented groups, scholars at risk, scholars in need, and precariously employed people. NB: May be used to support in-person and/or online participation in the ICHST.*

Notice that remainders from previous DHST funding rounds will be discounted from the amount you are requesting. The Council may relax this rule if you make a strong case on item 3.c above demonstrating that there is a clear plan for use of the unspent funds as soon as possible. Notice also that you shouldn't repeat here the information provided on item 3.c, if any.

Budget proposal *

Short explanation/motivation of the cost (with reference to Future Plans)

Support for conferences as outlined above.

Type of cost

Financial Support

Estimated cost (EUR)

1850

Bank fees and administration

Please Select

150

Add expense

Requested amount (maximum 2000 EUR) *

2000

In EUR

Do you want to apply for the special 1000 EUR grant destined exclusively to support in-person participation in the New Zealand Congress? *

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

e. Bank details

Account holder *

Name	International Mathematic
Email address (if applicable)	accountant@mathunion.
Street address	Hausvogteiplatz 11A,
City	Berlin
State / Province	n/a
Country	Germany
Postal code	D-10117

Bank *

Bank Name	Deutsche Bank
IBAN number (if applicable)	DE79 1007 0848 0511 31
BIC/SWIFT number	DE79 1007 0848 0511 31
Routing number (if applicable)	n/a
Bank street address	Otto-Suhr-Allee 6
City	Berlin
State / Province	n/a
Country	Germany
Postal code	10585

4. General Data Protection Regulation Compliance

Do you agree that the email addresses mentioned here be added to the DHST mailing lists? Please note that if you answer in the negative the DHST will not be able to reach you with important announcements. *

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

Do you agree that the contact details of the officers of your commission be published on the DHST website? *

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

I agree that a notification email be sent after submission of this form *

- ☒ Agree

Address to which the notification will be sent *

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example@example.com