

2019 Commission / Section Report

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Commission/Section's name

International Commission on the History of Mathematics

Website URL

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

Names and affiliation of officers

Executive Committee

Chair : June Barrow-Green (UK)

Vice-Chair : Niccolò Guicciardini (Italy)

Secretary : Sloan Despeaux (USA)

Treasurer : Martina Schneider (Germany)

Frequency of business meetings in the past year

The EC has four regular e-meetings each year with other meetings in between as and when business requires it.

Generally, several members of the EC attend the annual AMS/MAA Joint Mathematical Meeting, and this provides an opportunity to have face-to-face discussions.

Our discussions have also benefitted from the recent addition of Kathleen Clark as a 'listening member' representing the International Study Group on the Relations between the History and Pedagogy of Mathematics (HPM) which is an affiliate of the IMU, together with two new energetic IMU representatives, Isobel Falconer and Catherine Goldstein.

Subcommittees and their function (if any) with details of activities

A sub-committee consisting of five members of the EC was formed to consider ways in which the ICHM could contribute to the ICM in St Petersburg in 2022. A list of suggestions was sent to the chair of the local organizing committee, Stanislas Smirnov, in March 2019.

Membership number of the Commission/Section (if formally constituted)

ACTIVITIES

Please list only the activities supported or undertaken by the Commission or Section as such during the past year, not the individual activities or publications of its officers. Please give the link to the webpage where each reported activity is advertised.

Conferences

2019 Novembertagung, Strasbourg. 31 October – 2 November 2019 We are awaiting the report which will be posted on ICHM website as soon as it is received. https://www.mathunion.org/ichm/reports/activity-reports
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Workshops and Symposia

Co-sponsorship of the Special Session on History of Mathematics at the Joint Mathematics Meeting, Baltimore. 18-19 January 2019. https://www.mathunion.org/ichm/reports/activity-reports
Co-sponsorship of the research symposium <i>The Mathematical Book Trade in the Early Modern Period</i> , Oxford. 19-20 December 2019. http://www.benjaminwardhaugh.co.uk/workshops/index.html

Publications

N/A

Outreach

N/A

Other activities supported

N/A

Grant Recipients (please add as many lines as necessary to the table)

Name and affiliation	Details of covered costs (please provide receipts)	Purpose of travel (e.g. Conference and title of paper delivered)
Gatien Ricotier (Strasbourg) Organiser of the 2019 Novembertagung	Two nights B&B accommodation provided for 24 early career scholars at the 2019 Novembertagung in Strasbourg. Total cost 2534.40 Euros.	
Benjamin Wardaugh (Oxford) Organiser of <i>The Mathematical Book Trade in the Early Modern Period</i>	Funding of £500 towards the participation by early career/retired/unaffiliated scholars or graduate students. The meeting has not yet taken place so no payment has yet been made.	

FUTURE PLANS

Changes in governance or organization structure

Martina Schneider was elected as ICHM Treasurer in May 2019. The previous Treasurer, Henrik Sørensen, resigned due to ill health.

Conferences

Support for Novembertagung 2020 (early career scholars)

Workshops

Symposia (including plans for holding one or more symposium at the 26th ICHST in Prague)

Symposia at joint BSHM/CSHPM conference, St Andrews, Scotland in July 2020 (funding is being exclusively offered to early-career scholars)

A call has gone out to the membership of the ICHM for organisers of symposia at the 26th ICHST in Prague 2021. At past Congresses, the ICHM has sponsored three or four symposia, and provided funding for several early-career scholars. We expect to do the same for Prague.

Publications

N/A

Outreach

N/A

Development of the website

The website is run as part of the IMU website. The ICHM does not incur any costs connected with it.

Other

Due to the change of Treasurer, the ICHM bank account is being transferred from Denmark to Germany. It is intended for the ICHM bank account to be organized in concert with the IMU bank account which is based in Berlin. This is a good solution for the ICHM since it means that the bank account will become stable and will not need to be moved again. The process of the transfer might incur additional administrative costs. In particular, the ICHM Treasurer might have to travel from Mainz to Berlin to work with the Treasurer of the IMU.

OTHER INFORMATION

Please provide any other information relevant to the activities and operation of your Commission / Section not already included above.

The Novembertagung, which is organised by early career scholars for early career scholars, is held every year in a different country. We consider this to be one of the most important meetings supported by the ICHM as it enables early career scholars to make contact with one another at an international level as well as having the opportunity to present their work in a supportive environment.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Use of DHST funds in the last year (Please submit electronic copies of all receipts in a single pdf file, separate from the present report, and retain originals)

Website	0 USD
Administration costs	27 USD Bank transfer fees
Conference support	1500 USD towards the Novembertagung in Strasbourg We are awaiting the receipt from the organizer as the money has only just been transferred due to difficulties relating to the ill health of the previous Treasurer.

Budget for the proposed use of grant requested from DHST for the next year

Website	0.00 USD
Administration costs	300 USD
Conference support	1500 USD

Overall statement of the Commission/Section's financial position
(including, for Commissions, details of any surplus and other sources of funding, if relevant)

<p>Other income : Royalties Elsevier 5000 USD ; Conference returns : Novembertagung (2018) 640 USD ; Total Income : 7225 USD ; Total Expenses : 2841 USD; Balance : 4384 US</p>

GRANT REQUEST

Please provide a clear statement of your grant request for the next year. (The statement should be consistent with the budget given above.)

Please note that application may currently be made for:

- Up to USD600 for website maintenance/development,
- Up to USD300 for administrative/operating costs,
- Up to USD1500 for conference support, on the condition that this sum is entirely devoted to helping early career scholars attend the conference for which support is requested. Where scholars other than early career scholars essential to an event and without travel support have requested assistance from a Commission or section, the Council may consider the request in second priority.

<p>Administrative costs associated with transferring the ICHM bank account from Denmark to Germany. USD 300.00 Conference Support for early career scholars for the Novembertagung 2020 and the conference in St Andrews. USD1500</p>
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Please provide the details of the bank account to which the grant should be transferred if allocated by the DHST Council.

We are unable to provide this information until the transfer of the ICHM bank account has been completed.

Account Currency:

Name of Account Holder:

Address of Account Holder:

IBAN:

Bank code (SWIFT / BIC):

Address of the Bank:

E-mail contact for bank transfer: