

THE ROLE AND NATURE OF MEMBERS' AFFILIATION

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Topics to discuss

- Benefits and challenges on your affiliation.
- Members' views on some of the ICMI affiliation processes and affiliate responsibilities.
- Sharing strategies to assist your organisation and ICMI.

Benefits

- Additional publicity.
- Sharing information/research with other members.
- Financial support from universities for members to attend conferences organised by other member institutions.
- Keeping abreast regarding Mathematics Education activities at an international level.

Challenges

- Affiliation to ICMI seems to be of enormous potential, however there is a lack of resources to materialise this potential.

Members' views on...

Submission of annual reports, based on finances and main activities

- A good way to share information.
- Provides transparency on objectives which facilitates building joint activities.
- Agreement to disseminate annual reports based on main activities, however most would prefer not to share finances.

Members' views on...

Regular checking and updating by ICMI of your organisations' web link on ICMI's website

- It is a good idea and seems to work fine.
- We would appreciate to be consulted before any changes or updates are made.

Members' views on...

How ICMI disseminates activities and ICME participation

- Insufficient information on ICMI's website regarding conferences.
- The newsletter is very informative, main source of information, preferred to the website.

Members' views on...

Depositing proceedings of major conferences with open access, after a specific time period

- Strong support, as long as there are no financial implications.
- There should be strict rules on the time period and who is granted access.

Members' views on...

Periodical revision on affiliation status

- It would depend on the process: how would it work and who would be involved.
- It could be useful in the sense that the revision would ensure the member organisation stays active.

Members' overall view on being affiliated with ICMI

- It has been positive and helpful.
- More resources should be allocated to reach the full potential of ICMI.
- It is a cooperative relationship.

Discussing strategies

To create a clearer relationship between member organisations and ICMI

- Provide more information on the ICMI's website regarding the member organisations.
- Holding open discussions regarding future collaborations.

Discussing strategies

To partner with ICMI to foster joint activities

- Yes, it would be beneficial.

Your organisation's role in conjunction with ICMI

- Member organisations and ICMI have similar aims therefore there is potential for further collaborations.

Discussing strategies

What strategies do you suggest could be made to promote mathematics education in under-represented world regions (for example Africa)

- Our organisation is actively engaged in this issue
- Previous failed attempts in this matter suggest that only a well designed group of strategies at various levels would lead to positive effects.

Questions or comments

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Thank you