# **International Mathematical Union**

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To: IMU Adhering Organizations From: Martin Grötschel, IMU Secretary

# IMU General Assembly (GA) in Bangalore, India

Dear colleagues,

This is an announcement about the next IMU General Assembly including some technical details in order to give you information about what to expect and what to do.

#### 1. Time and Location

The next General Assembly of the International Mathematical Union will take place

on August 16-17, 2010

in Bangalore, India.

The venue of the General Assembly will be the hotel Chancery Pavilion in Bangalore see <a href="http://www.chancerypavilion.com/pavilion/">http://www.chancerypavilion.com/pavilion/</a>.

The local organizers have reserved 150 rooms in this hotel for the delegates of the General Assembly. A second hotel which is close to the GA hotel, the Chancery, see <a href="http://www.chancerypavilion.com/chancery">http://www.chancerypavilion.com/chancery</a>, will also be available for the delegates, see the attached document with the room rates.

Delegates are expected to arrive on August 15. The GA ends in the evening of August 17. For those delegates who attend ICM 2010, the local organizers will arrange for transport from Bangalore to Hyderabad on August 18, 2010. Thus, the delegates of the General Assembly attending also the ICM 2010 in Hyderabad should not worry about the Bangalore-Hyderabad transfer and make their flight arrangements to Bangalore and back home from Hyderabad.

## 2. The General Assembly (basic information)

The role of the GA is described in the IMU Statutes, see <a href="http://www.mathunion.org/fileadmin/IMU/Statutes2006.pdf">http://www.mathunion.org/fileadmin/IMU/Statutes2006.pdf</a> in particular in the articles 18 to 24, and 41.

### 3. Delegations

For each General Assembly, each IMU Member Adhering Organization shall appoint and certify to the Secretary of the Union a delegation, which shall have the number of votes corresponding to the Group in which it adheres, see <a href="http://www.mathunion.org/members/countries">http://www.mathunion.org/members/countries</a> for information about the groups.

Affiliate and Associate Members have the right to participate in the GA by an observer without voting rights.

IMU asks all Adhering Organizations to start selecting their delegates for the IMU General Assembly in Bangalore. A Web registration procedure for the GA delegates is under

construction. All Adhering Organizations will receive in the near future detailed information about the GA delegate registration system and about the data needed from each delegate.

## 4. Web server and registration

The local organizing committee in Bangalore has set up a Web server with information about the GA:

http://www.icm2010.org.in/imu-general-assembley-2010

This server contains travel and visa information, maps, and many further details. It will be updated regularly and will be employed to keep all delegates informed.

## 5. Agenda topics and next steps

I would like to remind all Adhering Organizations of articles 38, 39, and 42 of the By-Laws:

"The Adhering Organizations, and the Commissions of the Union may propose business to be transacted at meetings of the General Assembly. Such proposals shall reach the Secretary at least four months before the meeting at which they are to be considered."

"The agenda for a meeting of the General Assembly shall be dispatched by the Executive Committee to the Adhering Organizations at least three months before the meeting at which they are to be considered. A question which has not been put upon the agenda may be discussed, but shall not be put to the vote unless a proposal to that effect be approved by a majority of the total number of votes assigned to the Members."

"The Executive Committee shall present an annual report on its activities and those of the Union to each Adhering Organization and shall also report on its activities and those of the Union at each ordinary meeting of the General Assembly. The report to the General Assembly shall be dispatched by the Secretary to the Adhering Organizations at least two months before the meeting at which it is to be received."

### Summarizing:

- If you want to propose a GA agenda topic, please send your request to me by April 15, 2010, if possible, via e-mail to <a href="mailto:secretary@mathunion.org">secretary@mathunion.org</a>.
- Expect to receive the GA agenda by May 15, 2010.
- Expect to receive the EC report (IMU Bulletin 58) by June 15, 2010.

### 6. Local contact in Bangalore

If you have any questions about the local arrangements for the General Assembly at Bangalore, please contact

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who chair the local GA organizing committee.

Sincerely,

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Encl.: GA hotel room rates