International Mathematical Union



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To: IMU Adhering Organizations

From: Martin Grötschel, IMU Secretary

- Postal Ballot 02/11 Application for full Membership of Algeria
- Address/Data Check
- IMU/NAS Digitial Mathematics Library Symposium

Dear colleagues,

- The vote on Algeria's application for IMU Membership yielded a positive result. As of February 2012, Algeria is a Member of the International Mathematical Union. For more information on Algeria's Adhering Organization see <u>http://www.smath.dz/</u>.
 - To keep the IMU records and Web site up-to-date you are requested to look at the URL <u>http://www.mathunion.org/members/countries</u> and check whether the information displayed there for your country is correct and complete. Please check especially the information concerning
 - the Adhering Organization (through which your country gains adherence to the IMU)
 - the Committee for Mathematics (to be formed by the Adhering Organization)
 - the Mathematical Society (Societies) in your country
 - the body responsible for the IMU membership dues payment

and verify whether the names, the representatives or contact persons, affiliations, addresses, phone and fax numbers, and in particular e-mail addresses are correct and complete.

Should any change have occurred I ask you to send an e-mail with the updates to

<u>manager@mathunion.org</u>, with a Cc to <u>technician@mathunion.org</u> so that we can update our records.

 From June 1-3, 2012 the symposium "The Future World Heritage Digital Mathematics Library: Plans and Prospects" will take place at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington DC. The symposium is organized by IMU's Committee on Electronic Information and Communication (CEIC) that, thus, continues to play a leading role in promoting the establishment of a World Digital Mathematics Library (WDML).

The conference is supported by a grant from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation and is being coordinated with a concurrent proposal of the US National Academies' Board on Mathematical Sciences to the Sloan Foundation to assemble a Committee of experts to study how a Mathematics Heritage Library could be established.

The goal of the meeting is to develop a viable plan of action to realize the vision of a universally accessible library for the world's mathematics literature of all time. The workshop will gather about 50 participants from all over the world representing, e.g., academic and corporate bodies, learned societies, foundations, funding agencies, and

software developers who will discuss the scope and practical requirements for a successfully realized WDML project, the financial and computing resources required, the formatting and metadata standards needed to form a fully functional version, and related issues.

With best wishes,

Martin Grötschel IMU Secretary