International Mathematical Union



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- To: IMU Adhering Organizations (Adhering Organizations of Associate Members receive this letter for information)
- From: Martin Grötschel, IMU Secretary

Call for nominations to the Nominating Committee of IMU

Dear colleagues,

This e-mail marks the beginning of the preparations of the next meeting of the IMU General Assembly (GA) to be held in Gyeongju, Republic of Korea, on August 10-11, 2014.

The IMU Executive Committee is currently starting to form the Nominating Committee (NC) with the purpose of presenting slates of nominations to the IMU Adhering Organizations (AOs) at the GA meeting in Gyeongju. Every Adhering Organization is requested to nominate one person for this Nominating Committee.

The NC is one of the most important IMU committees since it has a strong influence on the composition of the IMU leadership for the term 2015-2018. The role of the Nominating Committee is described in detail at:

http://www.mathunion.org/fileadmin/IMU/EC/IMU_EC_ProceduresForElection_2010Final_100816A.pdf.

A brief review of the duties of the NC can be found in the appendix below.

The composition of the NC is as follows:

- a) The President of IMU.
- b) The Chair (chosen by the IMU President).
- c) Three other persons (chosen at random from AO nominations).
- d) Two persons with experience of IMU (chosen jointly by the NC Chair and the IMU President).

This call for nominations is about the three persons mentioned under c).

The IMU Executive Committee asks for the nomination of persons

- who are not current members of the IMU Executive Committee,
- who are willing to serve, and
- who do not work in the same country as the NC Chair or the IMU President.

The IMU President Ingrid Daubechies has chosen the Chair of the NC: Ragni Piene of the University of Oslo, Norway, see e.g., <u>http://www.mn.uio.no/math/english/people/aca/ragnip/index.html</u> who is currently a member of the IMU CDC (Commission for Developing Countries) and who was a member of the IMU Executive Committee from 2003 to 2010. Ragni Piene has agreed to serve as NC Chair.

This implies that no person working in the United States or in Norway can be nominated.

One person is to be chosen from nominations submitted by Groups I and II, one person chosen from nominations submitted by Groups III and IV and one person chosen from nominations submitted by Group V. Each Adhering Organization may submit one name of a person who is willing to serve. If there are no nominations in one of these three categories, then a person will

be chosen at random from the other two categories. The IMU member countries sorted by groups can be found at <u>http://www.mathunion.org/members/countries/list/sorted-by-groups/</u>.

All submissions are to be sent via e-mail, post, or fax to IMU. All e-mail submissions must be sent from the official e-mail address of the Adhering Organization.

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Additional requirements:

- Every nomination of a candidate has to be accompanied by a statement of the candidate that he or she is willing to serve.
- No member of the Nominating Committee will be eligible to hold an office for 2015-2018 on the IMU EC, CDC or ICHM.

Deadline:

The deadline for receipt of nominations from which a random selection will be made is

December 1, 2012.

Sincerely yours,

Martin Grötschel IMU Secretary

Appendix:

Duties of the IMU Nominating Committee

- a) Nomination slates will be formed for the IMU Executive Committee (EC), IMU Committee for Developing Countries (CDC), and the International Commission on the History of Mathematics (ICHM).
- b) The slates for the commissions will be formed taking advice from the current officers of these commissions, but this advice is not binding on the IMU Nominating Committee.
- c) The IMU Nominating Committee will nominate one name for the position of President of IMU, Secretary of IMU, President of CDC, and Secretaries of CDC and one name for each of the two Vice Presidents of IMU.

The IMU Nominating Committee will nominate at least two more names than the number of Members-at-Large of IMU and CDC, and for the ICHM representatives.