

International Mathematical Union



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To: IMU Adhering Organizations and all registered participants (delegates and observers,...) of the IMU General Assembly

From: Martin Grötschel, IMU Secretary

GA Agenda and further GA information

Dear colleagues,

This letter provides information about the meeting of the IMU General Assembly in Gyeongju, Korea on August 10 and 11, 2014. It covers the following topics:

1. GA Agenda
2. Password Protected GA Server
3. No Printed Documents for the GA Meeting
4. Slates for the IMU Offices
5. Nominated IMU President and Secretary
6. GA Registration, etc.

Please read with care.

1. GA Agenda

According to item 39. of the By-Laws of the IMU Statutes, the agenda for the meeting of the General Assembly has to be dispatched to the Adhering Organizations at least three months before the meeting. The Statutes (in the last version of the year 2010) are at: <http://www.mathunion.org/organization/statutes>.

Item 39 of the By-Laws also stresses that “a question which has not been put on the agenda may be discussed, but shall not be put to the vote unless a proposal to that effect be approved by the majority of the total number of votes assigned to the members.” Thus, any further issue that an Adhering Organization wants to be put up for vote needs special treatment at the GA agenda.

In the attachment, please find the proposal of the Executive Committee for the agenda for our meeting in Gyeongju. We will have a very tight schedule, so there is not much room for “ad-hoc topics” proposed at the GA meeting itself. Please keep this in mind.

This agenda is close to but not yet final, since there are still a few items for which it is not clear at what point in time and under which topic or whether at all they will appear on the agenda. So please consult the server mentioned below (before you leave for Gyeongju) for the last version.

2. Password Protected GA Server

The IMU Secretariat in Berlin has established a further password protected Web site at which all documents that are relevant for the General Assembly will be available for download. The URL is the following:

<http://www.mathunion.org/GA2014/>

The user name and the password can be obtained from the IMU Secretary.

We will upload GA relevant documents to this GA Server as soon as such material becomes available.

3. No Printed Documents for the GA Meeting

No printed material will be distributed to the delegates at the meeting in Gyeongju. We expect all delegates and observers to select from the material on the Password Protected GA Server those documents that they find necessary to have at the meeting of the General Assembly itself, to print them, and to bring them to Gyeongju.

Please also bring a printed copy of the latest version of the GA agenda (made available briefly before the meeting) along.

4. Slates for IMU Offices

Slates for all IMU officers are currently prepared by the Nominating Committee (NC) - chaired by former EC member Ragni Piene. The slates will be distributed, according to our "Procedures for Election", see the 2010 version:

<http://www.mathunion.org/organization/ec/procedures-for-election/>
by June 10, 2014.

5. Nominated IMU President and Secretary

The Chair of the NC has allowed me to announce, at this moment in time, the names of the mathematicians the NC is going to propose as next IMU President and Secretary. The nominated colleagues are:

IMU President 2015-2018: Shigefumi Mori (Japan)

IMU Secretary 2015-2018: Helge Holden (Norway).

More information (including CVs) will be mailed to you in one month.

6. GA Registration, etc.

To all IMU Adhering Organizations who have not nominated their delegates: Please do so soon.

To all nominated delegates and observers, who have not registered for the GA or have not booked a hotel room:
Please do that soon.

The attachments to IMU CL 2/2014, see
<http://www.mathunion.org/Publications/cl/>,
provide full information about the time and location, registration, etc.

Best regards

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IMU Secretary

Attachments: (preliminary) GA Agenda