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To: The Adhering Organizations of the International Mathematical Union (IMU)

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An important announcement regarding ICME-14

Dear colleagues,

For your information:

The International Commission on Mathematical Instruction (ICMI), a commission of the IMU, has just released the following announcement regarding its big congress ICME-14:

Announcement

Due to the global pandemic caused by the new coronavirus disease (COVID-19), ICMI and ICME-14 have decided, after careful discussion and consultation, to postpone ICME-14 by one year until the Northern Hemisphere summer of 2021.

The specific dates of postponed ICME-14 and the details related to the conference organization, including information for those already registered, will be announced as soon as possible. We will publish a "frequently asked questions" fact sheet in the next weeks on the ICME14 and ICMI websites.

Whereas the one-year postponement of ICME-14 poses many challenges, we believe this is the solution to ensure the full-fledged and successful realization of this important conference. We sincerely apologize to everyone for the consequences of this unfortunate and dramatic development.

ICMI plans to hold its General Assembly sometime in September-October 2020 in order to hold its quadrennial meeting and to elect the upcoming ICMI Executive Committee which will take office on 1 January 2021, so as to ensure a smooth transition of authorities as stipulated in the statutes. Details about how the meeting will be conducted (when and where) will follow in the upcoming months, as the global situation will make the planning feasible.

Please distribute this information in your country. Thanks

Regards

Helge Holden Secretary General of the International Mathematical Union