# CDC
# Commission for Developing Countries

International Mathematical Union
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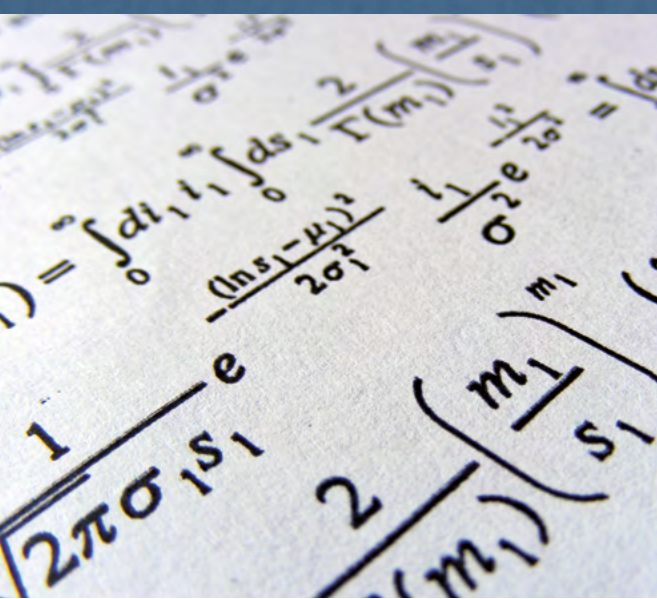
- Supporting development in mathematics research and education in developing and less affluent countries
- Administering various Grant Programs for mathematicians
- Fostering local initiatives, educational and local capacity building programs
- A Commission of the International Mathematical Union (IMU)

## KEY ACTIVITIES AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS

### Grants for Conferences
- Partial support for conferences in developing countries

### Individual Research Travel Support
Research travel support for mathematicians with a PhD in the mathematical sciences and based in developing countries, minimal length of a visit is four weeks
- Abel Visiting Scholar Program
- IMU – Simons African Fellowship Program
- Individual Research Travel Support Program

### Volunteer Lecturer Program (VLP) and Virtual Volunteer Lecture Program (VVLP)
A program to foster research and international cooperation between mathematicians in developing countries and the international mathematical community, by offering financial assistance to universities in developing countries to host a volunteer lecturer for a 3-4-week intensive course.

In 2022 a new strand Virtual Volunteer Lecturer Program (VVLP) was established. VVLP aims to support lectures to take place remotely only.

### Graduate Support
The CDC offers two scholarship schemes to support graduate studies, in a developing country, leading to a Master or PhD degree in the mathematical sciences.
- Graduate Research Assistantships in Developing Countries (GRAID) Program offers Research assistantships for graduate – PhD and Master – students of emerging research groups working in a developing country listed in Priority 1 or 2 of the IMU CDC Definition of Developing Countries.
- IMU Breakout Graduate Fellowship Program offers a few fellowships to support postgraduate studies, in a developing country, leading to a PhD degree in the mathematical sciences. The program is funded through a generous donation by the winners of the Breakthrough Prizes in Mathematics.

### Project Support Program for Mathematicians and Mathematics Education
A program to foster higher education and capacity building projects and local initiatives.

### Library Assistance Scheme
A scheme that matches donors of mathematical materials with libraries in universities or research institutions in developing countries and offering limited financial support for shipment costs.

### Support
CDC receives (or has recently received) support from various institutions and partners worldwide (listed alphabetically):
- American Mathematical Society,
- FIMU,
- Italian Mathematical Society,
- CIMPA,
- The Mathematical Society of Japan,
- Niels Henrik Abel Board,
- Simons Foundation,
- Swiss Mathematical Society,
- U.S. National Committee for Mathematics, and the
- U.S. National Science Foundation.