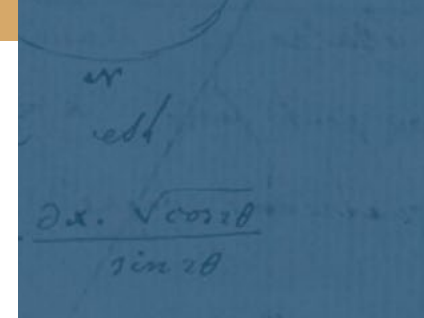
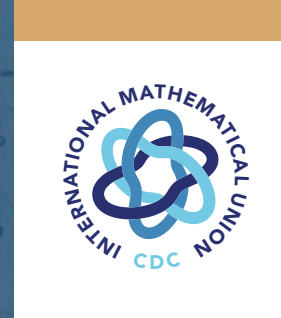
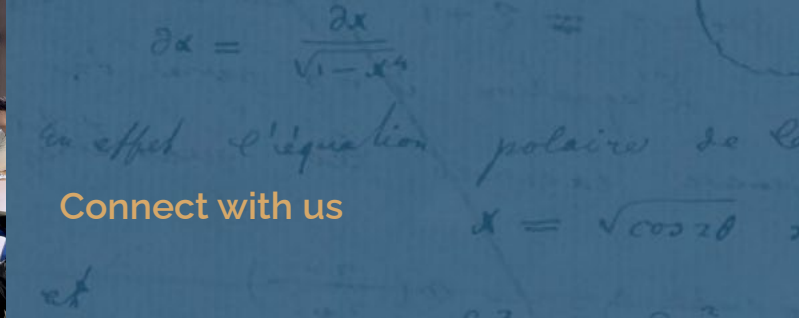




Other Grants

ICM Travel Grants

Since 2006, the International Congress of Mathematicians (ICM) Travel Grant Program has supported mathematicians from developing countries in attending the world's premier mathematics conference. The program helps researchers engage with the international mathematical community, build professional networks, and participate in the latest developments in mathematics.

Since the ICM 2014 the ICM Travel Grant Program has been generously funded by the host of



the respective ICM in collaboration with the IMU CDC. Prior to this, the program was funded by various mathematical societies.

For ICM 2026 in Philadelphia, a total of 688 travel grants were awarded.

Other Activities

CDC Webinar

Started in 2023, the CDC webinars connect mathematicians worldwide who share an interest in CDC's mission and work. These sessions serve as a platform to share information about CDC's programs, funding opportunities, and activities, providing participants with valuable insights into how they can engage with and benefit from CDC's support. In addition to sharing practical information, the webinars foster a sense of connection between CDC and the broader mathematical community, particularly those in developing countries.

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- Friends of IMU (FIMU)
- International Centre for Pure and Applied Mathematics (CIMPA)
- London Mathematical Society
- Mathematical Society of Japan
- Niels Henrik Abel Board
- Simons Foundation
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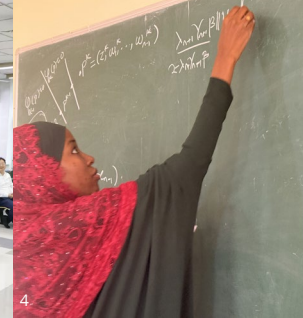
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Currently CDC focuses its support on the following activities:

Conference Grants

Conference Support Program

The Conference Support Program supports conferences and scientific meetings that create opportunities for mathematicians in developing countries to engage with the international mathematical community. Through partial support for conferences, speakers and participants from developing countries can be invited to attend the activities. The program promotes collaboration, knowledge exchange, and professional networking.

Individual Research Travel Grants

CDC offers two programs supporting individual research travel. Both grants support mathematicians from developing countries in undertaking collaborative research visits with international partners. By enabling researchers to spend time at leading research institutions around the world, the program fosters scientific exchange, strengthens international collaborations, and provides access to new expertise and research environments.

These visits often lead to long-term research partnerships, joint publications, and the integration of researchers from developing countries into global mathematical networks, contributing to the continued development of mathematics worldwide.

Abel Visiting Scholar Program for Graduate Students

Funded by the Niels Henrik Abel Board (Norway), the program supports young mathematicians from developing countries who are in the final stages of their PhD, or have recently completed it, to visit an international research collaborator for a period of one month. The program is targeted at early-career mathematicians under the age of 35 and covers research visit expenses up to USD 5,000.

IMU – Simons Research Fellowship Program

Funded by the Simons Foundation (USA), the program supports established mathematicians based in developing countries in undertaking research sabbaticals at internationally recognized centres of excellence. The program promotes international collaboration, strengthens research networks, and provides opportunities for sustained research activity.

Fellowships support research visits of one to three months and cover travel and living expenses up to USD 15,000. Additional support is available for fellows with caregiving responsibilities, helping to make international research visits more accessible. The program will run until April 2027.

Grants for Institutions

Volunteer Lecturer Program

The Volunteer Lecturer Program fosters 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 an international volunteer lecturer who can deliver short intensive courses in specialized areas.

Courses may be offered at the undergraduate, master's, or doctoral level and must address areas where the host institution lacks expertise. Applications are submitted by the host institution.

The program supports the continued participation of universities. For example, it has provided funding for several international lecturers teaching in the International Mathematics Master's program in Pakistan and Algeria, enriching the educational experience and promoting international collaboration.

The program receives support from the Niels Henrik Abel Board and the American Mathematical Society.

Graduate Scholarships

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

The GRAID Program supports talented Master's and PhD students in developing countries by providing graduate research assistantships within emerging mathematical research groups. The program helps create opportunities for young mathematicians to pursue research while contributing to active research environments led by local and international mentors.

By strengthening research groups and supporting the next generation of researchers, GRAID contributes to the long-term development of sustainable mathematical communities in developing countries. The program is funded through voluntary contributions from mathematicians and mathematical institutions worldwide.

IMU Breakout Graduate Fellowship Program

Founded in 2016 and supported by donations from several recipients of the Breakthrough Prize in Mathematics, the Breakout Graduate Fellowship Program provides opportunities for outstanding students from developing countries to pursue doctoral studies in the mathematical sciences.

Candidates should demonstrate academic excellence, strong promise in mathematical research, and a commitment to a future career in research and teaching.

By investing in the next generation of mathematicians, the program helps strengthen mathematical research communities, build local scientific capacity, and foster long-term academic development in developing countries.