

The First Century of the International Commission on Mathematical Instruction (1908–2008): Reflecting and Shaping the World of Mathematics Education

Announcement of a symposium

*Roma (Italy), 5–8 March 2008, Accademia dei Lincei
and Istituto dell'Enciclopedia Italiana*

Dear Colleagues,

In March 2008, there will be a symposium in Rome to celebrate the centennial of the International Commission on Mathematical Instruction (ICMI). Starting from a historical analysis of principal themes regarding the activities of the ICMI (reforms in the teaching of the sciences, teacher training, relations with mathematicians and with research, and so on), discussions will focus on identifying future directions of research in mathematics education and possible actions to be taken to improve the level of scientific culture in various countries.

The program includes plenary sessions, invited short talks, and working groups. More information can be found at the symposium Website: <http://www.unige.ch/math/EnsMath/Rome2008>

If you are interested in participating in a working group, please contact one of its chairs. Depending on the availability of places in the group (each group will contain about 30 persons), you will then be asked to apply to make a presentation. It will also be possible to attend the symposium as a free participant, without making a presentation, depending on the general availability of places. In that case, please apply to marta.menghini@uniroma1.it after June 2007.

For those who cannot participate, we hope to have the proceedings ready before ICME 11 in Mexico and a rich Website before the beginning of the symposium in Rome.

Rome, January 15, 2007
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(Chair of the International Programme
Committee)