

## International Mathematical Union

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To: Adhering Organizations  
Committees for Mathematics  
ICMI Representatives

From: John Ball, President of IMU  
Hyman Bass, President of ICMI  
Bernard R. Hodgson, Secretary-General of ICMI

Re: **Call for Nominations to the Nominating Committee of the International Commission on Mathematical Instruction (ICMI)**

The delegates at the 2002 General Assembly (GA) of the International Mathematical Union (IMU) in Shanghai, China, passed Resolution 8. It states:

*The General Assembly of IMU expects the Executive Committee to develop a proposed mechanism to involve members from the National Committees for Mathematics, not on the Executive Committee, to assist in the selection of slates. This proposal should be put forth to the 2006 General Assembly.*

In order to comply with Resolution 8, the Executive Committees (EC) of IMU and ICMI have drafted a Nominating Committee Model (attached) that will be tested for the selection process of the slate to be presented to the delegates at the 2006 GA in Spain. The Nominating Committee of ICMI will consist of seven people and will prepare the selection of the slate of candidates for the ICMI Executive Committee. Until presented to the GA in 2006, the Nominating Committee will be operating informally as an advisory body to the IMU EC. Experience gained can be incorporated into a formal proposal for a change in the Statutes at the 15 th IMU GA in 2006.

The Chair of the 2006 Nominating Committee of ICMI is Mogens Niss, Roskilde University, Denmark, and a former Secretary-General of ICMI.

The Nominating Committee Model specifies that to be considered a member “in good standing”, a country should, in particular, have a duly appointed representative to ICMI. However, considering the advisory status of the 2006 Nominating Committee, this restriction will not be applied for the 2006 election.

Below are the guidelines that the Adhering Organizations are asked to follow:

- 1) Each Adhering Organization (AO) may submit one name to be a Member of the Nominating Committee. This person should have significant knowledge and experience of ICMI affairs and cannot work in the same country as the Chair of the Committee, the President of IMU and the President of ICMI, namely Denmark, the United Kingdom and the USA.

- 2) All submissions should be sent via e-mail, post or fax to the ICMI Secretary-General. All e-mail submissions must be sent from the official e-mail address of the AO.
- 3) The deadline for receipt of nominations, from which two random selections will be made (according to the process described in item #5 of the attached Nominating Committee Model), is January 31, 2005.
- 4) All candidates should be willing to serve.
- 5) No member of the Nominating Committee will be eligible to hold an office for 2006-2009 on the ICMI EC.

**In order to make this very important committee of the highest quality, we urge each AO to send a nomination to :**

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