

Serbia becomes a member of the ICHM

The Executive Committee of the International Commission on the History of Mathematics (ICHM) has unanimously approved Serbia's reentry into the ICHM, following a 35-year absence. This return has been made possible through the initiative of the Mathematical Institute of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts (MISANU), Serbia's foremost research centre in the historiography of mathematics since its founding in 1946. MISANU's <u>Seminar for the History and Philosophy of Mathematics</u>, <u>Mechanics</u>, and <u>Astronomy</u> has been active since 1981.

Serbia was originally represented in the ICHM as part of Yugoslavia by Ernest Stipanić (1907–1990), who served from 1971 until the dissolution of Yugoslavia which coincided with his passing in 1990. Serbia's new representative to the ICHM is Saša Popović, associate of the Mathematical Institute SASA.

The ICHM is an inter-union commission joining the <u>International Mathematical Union</u> (<u>IMU</u>) and the <u>Division of History of Science and Technology of the International Union of</u> <u>History and Philosophy of Science and Technology (IUHPST/DHST</u>) whose main aims are to encourage the study of and research in the history of mathematics, and to promote international cooperation and a high level of historically and mathematically sophisticated scholarship in the field.