

CEMat Statement on the ICM 2022

The Spanish Committee for Mathematics, the adhering entity to the International Mathematical Union on behalf of Spain, wishes to express its concern at the serious crisis the world is experiencing at this time, caused by the war situation in Ukraine triggered by actions taken by the Russian government.

These events are deserving of international condemnation, especially and unanimously that of the governments and citizens of our Western cultural sphere. In line with this, the Spanish mathematical community also wants to show its solidarity with the Ukrainian people and its rejection of the actions undertaken by the Russian government.

For this reason, although the ICM is an event of the utmost importance for scientific advancement and exchange in the area of mathematics, we understand that the minimum conditions are not met to continue with the preparations for its celebration in St. Petersburg next July.

Given this situation, the Executive Committee of CEMat unanimously adopts the following decisions:

- 1.- Ask IMU to suspend the celebration of the ICM 2022 scheduled for next July in Saint Petersburg.
- 2.- Ask IMU that the IMU General Assembly scheduled for the month of July be held in virtual mode.
- 3.- Communicate to IMU that, if the program currently established for these events is maintained, Spain will not send any delegation to St. Petersburg.

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