Presentation of EWM





European Women in Mathematics (1986-)

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European Women in Mathematics (EWM) www.europeanwomeninmaths.org

- Founded in 1986 to support, encourage and bring together women mathematicians across Europe
- Membership organization open to all
- Organizes biennial general meetings and other local or specialist conferences
- Has over 500 members in Europe and in other continents, and coordinators in 34 countries
- Has email net, newsletter (twice a year) and website
- Offers travel grants for members



EWM Aims

- to encourage women to study mathematics.
- to support women in their careers in mathematics.
- to shape research and university policies.
- to provide a meeting place for like-minded people.
- to promote scientific communication.
- to cooperate with groups and organizations with similar goals.





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EWM and EMS WiM Committee Joint activities

- EWM is a membership organisation
- EMS Women in Maths Committee is a committee of the EMS
- Set up a Joint Scientific Committee
- 12 leading female mathematicians to advise on speakers for meetings, in particular EWM general meeting
- Current chair Cornelia Drutu (Oxford)
- Institut Mittag Leffler Summer schools with women lecturers and large female participation

Most important challenges

- Changing the perception of women in mathematics - such that eventually it is perceived as completely normal ?

- Reducing the huge difference observed between countries. E.g., few applications for ERC grants from Eastern European countries, big differences regarding the number of tenured academic positions in mathematics.

- Involving more members from developing countries in Europe in EWM activities

Most successful recent initiatives

- Promoting research on the gender gap in science based on publication patterns (cooperation with Zentralblatt)
- •Good connections with EMS (EWM becomes associate member, EMS lecturer at EWM GA, women interviews in EMS Newsletter)
- •Travel grants for EWM members (already two rounds)
- •New website to be launched in summer (more functional in the context of an increasing number of members)
- Newsletters of better and better quality

EWM next steps

- Statistics: Collecting and publishing statistics on female math faculty in European countries.
- European Women in Mathematics database
- Establish communication with national mathematical societies
- Increased percentage of women in European Research Centers (organizers, lecturers, participants)



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