

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

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ICM 2002, International Congress of Mathematicians **Beijing, China** **20 – 28 August 2002**

ICM 2002 will be held in Beijing from August 20 to 28, 2002. All sessions, except the opening ceremony, will take place at Beijing International Convention Center. At the Congress, mathematicians from all over the world gather to discuss recent developments in almost all fields of mathematics. The ICM 2002 will feature plenary lectures covering major areas of mathematics and invited lectures presented by leading mathematicians, oral presentations at different sessions, posters, and ad-hoc talks. The selection of the plenary speakers and invited speakers will be the responsibility of the Program Committee that is appointed by IMU.

The Opening Ceremony on the first day of the Congress will be held at the Main Auditorium of the Great Hall of the People, during which the Fields Medals and the Nevanlinna Prize will be awarded.

Full information on ICM 2002 is available at
<http://www.icm2002.org.cn/>

*ICM 2002 Satellite Conference on
Operator Algebras and Applications*
14–18 August 2002
Chengde, Hebei Province, China

The Satellite Conference on Operator Algebras and Applications will be held at Chengde from August 14 through 18, 2002. This is one of the satellite conferences around ICM 2002 in Beijing. This conference will be one of the largest meetings in Operator Algebras in its history. It provides opportunities for mathematicians in operator algebras and related areas to exchange ideas, to report new results and developments, to enhance friendships and to promote research in operator algebras in China.

With many of the world leaders attending and/or delivering lectures at the conference, this is a rare and important occasion for young researchers, especially graduate students to meet and talk to the experts in the field. The following topics are covered by this satellite conference:

C*-algebras, Von Neumann algebras, K-theory, C*-dynamics, Subfactors and Jones index, Free probability theory, Operator spaces, Noncommutative geometry, Quantum groups, Operator theory and their applications.

The invited speakers are

D. Bisch, A. Connes, J. Cuntz, E. Effros, G. Elliott, G. Gong, K. Guo, U. Haagerup, M. Izumi, C. Jiang, V. Jones, Y. Kawahigashi, N. C. Phillips, G. Pisier, S. Popa, M. Rordam, Z.-J. Ruan, D. Voiculescu, F. Xu, and G. Yu.

The Organisers are

Liming Ge (co-chair), ChunLan Jiang (co-chair), Huaxin Lin (co-chair), Xiaoman Chen, Xingde Dai, Guihua Gong, Jinchuan Hou, Bingren Li, Liangqing Li, Guoxin Liu, Zhong-Jin Ruan, Shanli Sun, Shunhua Sun, Zhongqing Xu, and Shuang Zhang.

Full information on this meeting is available at

<http://www.oainchina.org/>

*Joint British Mathematical and
Applied Mathematical Colloquium*
University of Warwick
7 – 12 April 2002

For 50 years, the British Mathematics Colloquium and the British Applied Mathematics Colloquium, the annual UK meetings for Pure and Applied Mathematics, have been held as independent events at separate venues. It is now becoming broadly recognised that for too long, the subject of Mathematics has been unnecessarily and arbitrarily divided. The first ever joint BMC/BAMC will therefore take place at the University of Warwick, April 7th - 12th, 2002. The conference has touched a responsive chord and both communities are optimistic and enthusiastic about this new venture.

The combined meeting will be spread over five days. The first two days will focus mainly on traditional BMC areas, moving on to a middle overlap day devoted to themes of common interest, and ending with two further days on topics usual for the BAMC.

The meeting is being generously supported by the LMS, EPSRC and the IMA.

The Plenary Speakers at this meeting will be

Joan Birman (Columbia), Jonathan Chapman - Stewartson prize lecturer (Oxford), Ingrid Daubechies (Princeton), Persi Diaconis (Stanford), Sandy Green (Oxford and Warwick), Richard Karp (UC Berkeley and International Computer Science Institute, Berkeley), David Mumford (Brown), George C. Papanicolaou - IMA Lighthill lecturer (Stanford University), Peter Sarnak (Princeton), Nick Trefethen (Oxford), and Vladimir Zakharov (Landau Institute Moscow, and Arizona).

Full information on this meeting is available at

<http://www.maths.warwick.ac.uk/index.html>