

**ANNOUNCEMENTS OF
MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES**

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*LMS Workshop on
Motives, Quadratic Forms and Algebraic Groups*
Queen's University Belfast
August 27–31, 2007

The workshop is planned to bring together experts, young and old, on various aspects of research in Chow motives, quadratic forms and algebraic groups, as well as graduate students, postdocs and others who wish to learn about the subject areas. It is organised by Roozbeh Hazrat and supported by the London Mathematical Society.

Further information will be posted on the conference website
<http://queensworkshop.googlepages.com/>

Elliptic Curve Cryptography Workshop 2007
University College Dublin
September 5–7, 2007

The workshop is hosted by the Claude Shannon Institute for Discrete Mathematics, Coding and Cryptography at University College Dublin. For registration (free for students and postdocs) see the conference webpage. On the evening of Tuesday 4 September at 7.30,

Joseph H. Silverman will deliver a special public lecture entitled “The Ubiquity of Elliptic Curves”.

ECC 2007 is the eleventh in a series of annual workshops dedicated to the study of elliptic curve cryptography and related areas. Over the past years the ECC conference series has broadened its scope beyond elliptic curve cryptography and now covers a wide range of areas within modern cryptography. As with past ECC conferences, there will be about 15 invited lectures (and no contributed talks) delivered by internationally leading experts. There will be both state-of-the-art survey lectures as well as lectures on latest research developments.

The workshop is sponsored by Intel, Certicom and the Claude Shannon Institute. The local organiser is Gary McGuire; for the full list of scientific organisers and all other conference details see the website at

<http://www.shannoninstitute.ie/conferences.htm>

Operator Theory and Operator Algebras in Cork.

In Memory of Gerard J. Murphy.

University College Cork

May 7–9, 2008

A three-day conference to commemorate the life and mathematical achievements of Gerard J. Murphy who was a lecturer and professor of Mathematics at University College Cork from 1984 until his untimely passing in October 2006 will be held in the National University of Ireland, Cork focusing on operator theory and operator algebras, the two areas in which Gerard made major contributions. There will be plenary talks by two principal speakers and a number of invited talks by other participants, the emphasis being on modern developments in these fields.

The principal speakers are

Laurent Marcoux, University of Waterloo, Canada

Ryszard Nest, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

The Scientific Committee consists of M. Mathieu (QUB), R. M. Timoney (Trinity College Dublin) and S. Wills (UCC), and the Local Organising Committee is formed by Donal Hurley and Stephen Wills.

For further conference details please see

<http://euclid.ucc.ie/pages/staff/wills/GJMconf/home.html>

Fifth European Congress of Mathematics

Amsterdam

July 14–18, 2008

The Fifth European Congress of Mathematics (5ECM) will be organized in Amsterdam, from 14 to 18 July 2008, under the auspices of the European Mathematical Society. This congress is the fifth in a series of successful four-yearly European congresses that cover the whole range of the mathematical sciences, from pure to applied. The series started in Budapest, in 1992, followed by meetings in Paris (1996), Barcelona (2000), and Stockholm (2004). The ECM congresses alternate with the IMU world congresses, organized every $(2 \bmod 4)$ year.

Next year's ECM congress will be organized under the special patronage of the Koninklijk Wiskundig Genootschap (Royal Dutch Mathematical Society, KWG), and will include the yearly meeting of the members of KWG. The 5ECM Local Organizing Committee consists of André Ran (Free University Amsterdam, chairman), Herman te Riele (CWI Amsterdam, secretary), and Jan Wiegerinck (University of Amsterdam, treasurer).

An outstanding Scientific Committee with representatives from all over Europe, chaired by Lex Schrijver (CWI and University of Amsterdam), has composed an interesting scientific program consisting of ten plenary lectures, three (also plenary) science lectures, about thirty (parallel) invited lectures, and twenty-one (parallel) Minisymposia. In addition, ten prize lectures will be presented by outstanding young European mathematicians, selected by a Prize Committee chaired by Rob Tijdeman (Leiden University).

For more information on the conference, such as grants, up-to-date information on the program, and for registration, please visit our website at

www.5ecm.nl