

Dear colleagues,

Despite the pandemic, the second [International Day of Mathematics](#) (IDM) on March 14, aroused worldwide enthusiasm with more than 700 celebrations announced in at least 95 countries. The 48 hours live coverage of the IDM attracted 17,000 unique users on March 14, 2021. A [Global Virtual Live Celebration](#) on the theme *Mathematics for a Better World* also took place with sessions in English, French, and German attracting 3300, 1300, and 2700 views, respectively.

It is now time to decide the theme for IDM 2022. Please send your proposal for the theme of IDM 2022, including a short justification, by email to idm@mathunion.org. The deadline for submissions is **15 June 2021**.

Let me remind you that the IDM 2020 and 2021 themes were *Mathematics is Everywhere* and *Mathematics for a Better World*.

We would like to inform you that IMU is one of the founding partners of the [International Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development 2022](#) (IYBSSD 2022), which has been adopted by UNESCO and has a high probability of being approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations next fall. Hence a theme related to IYBSSD 2022 would be welcome.

Regards
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