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ICME-13, 2016 will be held in Germany (Hamburg) ICME-13, 2016 sera tenu en Allemagne (Hambourg)

How was this decided? **The following is a slightly edited version of the information received from and Jaime Carvalho e Silva, Secretary-General of ICMI.**

The Executive Committee of ICMI had received by November 2010 three bids for hosting ICME-13 in 2016, namely (in alphabetical order) from the Czech Republic (Prague), Germany (Hamburg) and South Africa (Durban).

Site visits were organised in May and September this year, the visiting team being composed of ICMI President Bill Barton, Vice-President Mina Teicher and Jaime Carvalho e Silva, Secretary-General of ICMI. The visits allowed the Executive Committee to appreciate the quality of the local infrastructure, congress center or university, the accommodation, the support the project was receiving locally and nationally as well as the ideas, composition and expertise of the organising team. A photo reporting of the three site visits is available here:

Durban:

 $\underline{https://picasaweb.google.com/jaimecarvalho/ICME13SiteVisit1Durban?authuser=0\&feat=directlink}$

Prague:

 $\underline{https://picasaweb.google.com/jaimecarvalho/ICME13SiteVisit2Prague?authuser=0\&feat=directlink}$

Hamburg:

 $\underline{https://picasaweb.google.com/jaimecarvalho/ICME13SiteVisit1Durban?authuser=0\&feat=directlink}$

The bids were thoroughly discussed by the ICMI EC at its meeting in Beijing last February; after the site visits, additional requests were made to the three bidding countries that had the opportunity to revise the bids accordingly. The final decision was made through an email discussion that took place between October and December 2011. The very high quality of the three proposed bids is a very good sign for the vitality of ICMI, but only one site could be chosen. In consequence the task of the Executive Committee was especially difficult.

The ICMI Executive Committee wishes to express its deepest gratitude to the mathematics education and mathematics communities in the three bidding countries, and especially to the three persons who chaired the committees that prepared the bids, namely Professors Jarmila Novotna (Czech Republic), Gabriele Kaiser (Germany) and Mamokgethi Setati (South Africa). The care they took coordinating the team that prepared the bids and organised the site visits deserves our recognizance. It is our hope that the enthusiasm of those who supported these bids will reflect not only in ICME-13.

Note: The ICMI Executive Committee wishes to stress that since one of the current EC members is from one of bidding countries --- namely Member-at-Large Renuka Vithal (South Africa) ---, she has taken no part in the discussion or decision-making about ICME-16, nor have had access to the competing bids.

Rappel - ICME-12, Séoul, Corée, 8 au 15 juillet 2012 ICME-12, Seoul, Korea, July 8 to 15 2012

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ICME-12 Dates importantes à venir ICME-12 Important dates to come

- Last date for registration fee of 400US\$: April 1, 2012
- Last date for registration fee of 450US\$: June 1, 2012

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