
A Message from the Editor-in-Chief: EMS Newsletter – to a New Future

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Dear Readers,
Dear Members of the European
Mathematical Society,

Here I am with my farewell message as Editor-in-Chief of the EMS Newsletter. I prepared this article in April, whereas you will not read it until the June issue (No. 116).

Therefore, this message resumes my and the Editorial Team's activities at the time when only the March issue (No. 115) was available.

To keep it short, I basically present below only my Report addressed to the EMS Executive Committee that was planned to be held at the *Centre Internationale de Rencontres Mathématiques (CIRM)* – Marseille Luminy, on 13–16 March 2020. Since on account of the COVID-19 epidemic the CIRM was closed at the beginning of March, all scientific events there had been annulled. The EMS Executive Committee meeting was also cancelled and switched to a video conference. The cover photograph with a view of the Vieux-Port de Marseille and Notre Dame de la Garde, prepared on the

occasion of this meeting for the March issue, did not appear then either. Now, however, you can admire this sunny picture as the cover page of the current June issue (No. 116).

Report to the EMS Executive Committee, 13–16 March, Marseille

General comments

The latest issue, i.e. No. 115, is available on line: <https://www.ems-ph.org/journals/newsletter/pdf/2020-03-115.pdf>. There are no special comments concerning the fifteenth issue published since the beginning of my term on the 1st of July 2016.

Editorial Team

The table below summarises the composition of the current EMS Newsletter Editorial Team:

Rotation of the Editorial Team

I strongly suggest that the EMS Executive Committee invite M.Th. Rassias and F.P. da Costa to continue their very efficient activity as members of the Editorial Team for the next 4-year term starting on 01 January 2021.

In turn, I am leaving the Editor-in-Chief position on the 30th of June 2020 after publishing the EMS Newsletter No. 116 (June 2020).

Reciprocity agreement and other projects

The reciprocity agreement with the SMF *La gazette des mathématiciens* and the contacts with the *Société Mathématique de France* are still efficient due to important activity by J.-B. Bru and F.P. da Costa. The new Editor-in-Chief of the SMF *La gazette des mathématiciens*, Professor Damien Gayet, has confirmed the continuity of this agreement.

Addendum

Since the 1st of July 2016, the EMS Newsletter has a reciprocity agreement with the *News Bulletin of the International Association of Mathematical Physics*. Editor-in-Chief of the *News Bulletin*, Professor Evans Harrell, has also confirmed the continuity of this agreement.

Translations for *Mathematical Advances in Translation* (PRC) and for the Chinese mathematical journal (Taipei) are now running at a regular level. This was confirmed during my visit in April 2019 to the Mathematical Institute of CAS in Peking by Professor Lingzhi Li, Editor-in-Chief of the *Mathematical Advances in Translation*. Recently, the interest in continuing this collaboration was confirmed by Ms. Xinli Pi, a new contact person responsible for *Mathematical Advances in Translation*.

A new era

It began in 2019, when the founder and Managing Director of the EMS Publishing House in Zürich, Thomas Hintermann, retired at the end of August. The last three issues of the EMS Newsletter, i.e., No. 114–No. 116 have already appeared within the new EMS Publishing House in Berlin under the leadership of André Gaul and his team.

Within this impetus, a number of projects planned by the EMS President Volker Mehrmann, together with the Executive Committee and the new EMS Publishing House, are already in the stage of realisation. One of these projects is preparing a new future for the EMS Newsletter in 2020. I wish great success to all persons involved in the construction of this promising future.

Acknowledgements:

My entering into the Editor-in-Chief activity for the EMS Newsletter was initiated in June 2016 by the former President of the European Mathematical Society, Pavel Exner. I am thankful to him for this opportunity to be useful to the EMS in this way and to all my colleagues not indifferent to the life and development of our Society.

The success of the EMS Newsletter has always been due to the hard work of the Editorial Team. I want to thank all the former and present members, and especially the active members amongst them, for a collective effort that produces a volume every three months with about sixty pages of interesting and attractive contributions.

My special thanks I would like to address to Sylvia Fellmann Lotrovsky for her very efficient assistance and prompt support, for her clever suggestions and patience in solving delicate problems. I very much appreciate her permanent aid from the issue No. 101 up until this one, No. 116.

Current composition of the Editorial Board of the EMS Newsletter.

Name	Begin	End	Notes	Terms
Valentin A. Zagrebnov	2016-07-01	2020-06-30	Editor-in-Chief	4
Michael Th. Rassias	2017-01-01	2020-12-31	Problem corner, Interviews	4
Fernando P. da Costa	2017-01-01	2020-12-31	Societies	4
Dierk Schleicher	2017-01-01	2020-12-31	Features, Discussions	4+4
Jean-Paul Allouche	2017-01-01	2020-12-31	Book reviews	4+4
Volker Remmert	2018-01-01	2021-12-31	History, Archives	4+4
Gemma Huguet	2018-01-01	2021-12-31	Research Centres	4
Octavio Paniagua Taboada	2018-01-01	2021-12-31	zbMATH	4
Jean-Bernard Bru	2018-01-01	2021-12-31	Contact with SMF, YMCo	4
Ulf Persson	2018-06-01	2022-06-01	Social Media	4
Jean-Luc Dorier	2015-01-01	2022-12-31	Education	4+4
Vladimir Popov	2015-01-01	2022-12-31	Features, Discussions	4+4
Vladimir Salnikov	2015-01-01	2022-12-31	YMCo	4+4