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Call for Proposals – Romberg Program

Dear Colleagues,

HGS MathComp has been successfully running the Romberg Program of Distinguished Guest Professorships for the past 16 years, and we have recently welcomed our current visiting professor in Heidelberg. We are now calling for proposals for 2023 and 2024.

Intention: Through this program, HGS MathComp invites international scholars for extended visits to Heidelberg. With the continued funding by the graduate school, HGS MathComp and IWR are now committed to the following two parallel funding lines.

Romberg Visiting Fellow: Invitation of young researchers at the beginning of their professional career, to strengthen their academic networks and to enable collaborative projects.

Romberg Guest Professor: Invitation of renowned scholars who, through their research and influence, will help to create and foster important international partnerships for the graduate school and for IWR.

The terms and conditions for both programs are the same:

- Stay (normally) for two months at the MATHEMATIKON (possibly split over several visits).
- Possibility to bring along one or two PhD students to Heidelberg (2-4 weeks each).
- Give a guest lecture as part of the IWR Colloquium.
- Contribute to the HGS MathComp training program (e.g. in the form of a block course).
- Interact with doctoral students, providing expertise and offering advice.
- Costs covered: Travel and subsistence costs and an honorarium (month, as per individual arrangement).
- Note: The maximum budget per appointment (incl. PhD support) is X EUR (amount listed in non-public version of call, please contact HGS MathComp). Requests for a higher budget must be well justified. The graduate school may evaluate applications from a budgetary perspective.
- Visits for the 2023 Romberg Fellow/Professor must be completed by December 31, 2025; visits for the 2024 round must be completed by December 31, 2026.

The Executive Committees of HGS MathComp and of IWR invite all members of the graduate school to submit applications for **both** the 2023 and the 2024 funding rounds in written form (one single PDF) to the HGS MathComp office (hgs@iwr.uni-heidelberg.de). **Deadline: June 15, 2023.**

The application, in the form of an application letter, should briefly address the following points:

- Reasons for choosing the candidate
- The candidate's scientific track record (including CV and a selection of publications)
- Synergies and links with the HGS MathComp agenda
- Suggestion for a contribution to the HGS MathComp training program (e.g. block course)
- Details of the proposed visit (who? when? scope?)
- Support from at least three HGS MathComp members

Applications will be assessed based on these criteria. Funding decisions will be made by the HGS MathComp Executive Committee in consultation with the IWR Executive Committee. The HGS MathComp office will then contact the applicants on the basis of the recommendation (shortlist) made by the Executive Committee.

Naturally, such a guest program will be an iterative process, taking into account the constraints and wishes of both sides in order to achieve maximum success. The HGS MathComp speakers and administrative staff are committed to a transparent process that is always communicated to the members.

Best regards,



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