## **ERCOM – European Research Institutes in Mathematics**

European Research Institutes in Mathematics (ERCOM) is a committee of the European Mathematical Society established in 1997. In practice it is to a large extent an independent organization gathering European mathematical research institutes and conference centres, primarily serving as an arena of exchange of information, sharing good practice and developing closer scientific and administrative contacts between the members. This is primarily achieved via annual spring meetings (the last two took place online, but prior to that ERCOM representatives met in Cambridge, Bonn, Linz and Sankt Petersburg).

ERCOM currently gathers 30 member institutions, from Isaac Newton Institute in Cambridge and Centro Internacional de Matemática in Coimbra on the western shores of Europe, to Leonhard Euler International Mathematical Institute in Saint Petersburg and Emmy Noether Institute in Ramat-Gan in the East. Banach Center is one of the founding members of ERCOM, and has always played an important role in its discussions, usually represented by the member of the team of IMPAN directors responsible for the Banach Center. Chairmen of ERCOM are elected by the representatives of the member institutions; their term normally lasts four years.

So far the following mathematicians were ERCOM Chairmen:

- 1. Ole Barndorff-Nielsen 1997-2001 (MAPHYSTO, Aarhus)
- 2. Manuel Castellet 2002-2005 (CRM Barcelona)
- 3. Jan Karel Lenstra 2006-2009 (CWI, Amsterdam)
- 4. Gert-Martin Greuel 2010-2013 (MFO Oberwolfach)
- 5. Keith Ball 2013-2015 (ICMS, Edinburgh)
- 6. Ari Laptev 2015-2018 (Institut Mittag-Leffler, Stockholm)
- 7. David Abrahams 2018-2021 (Isaac Newton Institute)

Following the spring call for nominations and the election process which took part over the summer, since the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2021 the function of the ERCOM Chairman will be fulfilled by Adam Skalski from IMPAN. The Deputy Chairman of ERCOM is Christophe Ritzenthaler from CIMPA (Nice).

ERCOM website: <a href="https://ercom.org/">https://ercom.org/</a>