

# International Group for Mathematical Creativity and Giftedness

The purpose of the group is to bring together mathematics educators, mathematicians, researchers, and others who are interested in nurturing and supporting the development of mathematical creativity and the realization of mathematical promise and mathematical giftedness, promoting the improvement of teaching and learning mathematics, and widening students' abilities to apply mathematical knowledge in innovative and creative ways.

The work of the Group will concentrate on distinct but interrelated **domains** such as:

- mathematical creativity for all students, from all backgrounds, and of all ages,
- mathematical creativity, aptitude, and achievement,
- mathematical giftedness, talent and promise,
- mathematical creativity for individuals or teams, inside or outside the classroom,
- mathematics competitions,

#### The aims of the group are to:

- encourage research concerning the discovery, nurture and support of mathematical creativity, giftedness, talent and promise for all students,
- support investigation and dissemination of information on the role of teacher knowledge and education, educational systems, and cultural aspects related to the development of mathematical creativity and promise,
- stimulate national and international activities to further the aims of the Group,
- cooperate with national and international associations with similar aims,
- organize international conferences and stimulate discourse between mathematicians, psychologists, educators, researchers, curricular designers and sociologists,
- stimulate and support members of the Group to participate actively at conferences or projects or other activities that further the aims of the Group
- further scientific publications and encourage the development of websites,
- assist educators and inform policy-makers,

MCG is affiliated with <u>ICMI</u> (the International Commission on Mathematical Instruction), see details at: <a href="http://www.mathunion.org/icmi/about-icmi/affiliate-organizations/study-groups/mcg/">http://www.mathunion.org/icmi/about-icmi/affiliate-organizations/study-groups/mcg/</a>

More information about the Group can be found at MCG Website <a href="http://igmcg.org/">http://igmcg.org/</a>

To join the group complete membership form at MCG website

#### For more details please contact

Roza Leikin, *President MCG*, <u>rozal@edu.haifa.ac.il</u>
Marianne Nolte, *President-Elect, MCG*, <u>marianne.nolte@uni-hamburg.de</u>



## MCG IC (2012 - 2016)

Position	Name	Country	Years of duty	
Officers				
President of MCG	Roza Leikin	Israel	2012-2017	
President - elect MCG	Marianne Nolte	Germany	2015-2017 2010-2014 2015-2019	
Vice President MCG	Linda Sheffield	USA		
Secretary	Linda Sheffield	USA		
Secretary	Emiliya Velikova	Bulgaria	2010-2014	
Treasurer	Peter Taylor	Australia	2012-2017	
<b>International committee</b>	members			
	Mark Applebaum	Israel	2015-2019	
	Victor Freiman	Canada	2015-2019	
	Dace Kūma	Lithuania	2012-2017	
	Michael Mhlolo	South Africa	2015-2019	
	Hartwig Meissner	Germany	2012-2017	
	Mark Saul	USA	2012-2017	
	Mihaela Singer	Romania	2012-2017 2012-2017 2015-2019	
	Kim Seong-A	South Korea		
	Emilia Velikova	Bulgaria		
	Cristian Voica	Romania	2015-2019	
<b>International committee</b>	members - till 2014			
Vice President MCG	Linda Sheffield	USA	2010-2014	
Secretary	Emiliya Velikova	Bulgaria	2010-2014	
	Romualdas Kasuba	Lithuania	2010-2014	
	Boris Koichu	Israel	2010-2014	
	Vincent Matsko	USA	2010-2014	
	Demetra Pitta-Pantazi	Cyprus	2010-2014	
	Choi Jong Sool	South Korea	2010-2014	

## **Main Activities**

- MCG Website
- MCG Conferences
- MCG Newsletter
- MCG Working Teams



## 1 MCG website <a href="http://www.igmcg.org/">http://www.igmcg.org/</a>

Website Management: Roza Leikin (2011 - 2016); Viktor Freiman (Starting July 2014)

## 2. Membership

No fees

Currently more than 230 registered MCG members from 17 countries

### 3. Constitution (Link)

University of

Cyprus

Nicosia

**Cyprus** 

Planned

*MCG-10* 

Demetra

Pitta-

Pantazi

Approved - July 2014

## 4. International Conferences on Mathematical Creativity and Giftedness

MCG-7 Choi Jong Sool	The Korea Science Academy of KAIST Busan Korea	July 15-18 2012	Website	The 7th CG International conference The International Group for Hathernatical Creativity and Giftedness	<ul><li>2 Plenary talks</li><li>4 Workshops</li><li>26 Research reports</li><li>50 Participants</li><li>11 Countries</li></ul>
MCG-8 Gloria Howell	The University of Denver  Denver, CO USA	July 28-30 2014	Proceedings	The 8th  International Conference - Denver 2014  International Cong for Medicantical  Constring and Orbitalism	<ul> <li>3 Plenary talks</li> <li>3 Symposia</li> <li>10 Workshops</li> <li>22 Research reports</li> <li>90 Participants</li> <li>12 Countries</li> <li>Exibition</li> </ul>
MCG-9 Mihaela Florence Singer	Sinaia Romania	June 25-28 2015	Website	international Conference 2015	<ul> <li>4 Plenary talks</li> <li>2 Symposia</li> <li>5 Workshops</li> <li>29 Oral     presentations</li> <li>90 Participants</li> <li>14 Countries</li> <li>Exibition</li> </ul>

24- 26

April

2017



### 5. MCG Newsletter (Link)

#9 – June 2015 #10 – December 2015 #11 - July 2016

**Editorial Board** 

Editor in Chief Roza Leikin, Israel Scientific consultant Linda Sheffield, USA

**Senior Editors**:

MCG Educational Innovations Alexander Karp, USA/Russia
Problem corner Romualdas Kasuba, Lithuania

Cristian Voica, Romania

MCG Research News Demetra Pitta-Pantazi, Cyprus

Math Competitions News Peter Taylor, Australia

Dace Kūma, Latvia

Technology News in MCG Viktor Freiman, Canada

Emilia Velikova, Bulgaria

#### 6. MCG Working Teams

MCG Working Teams are established (2014) in order to promote exploring and nurturing mathematical creativity and giftedness all over the world.

THE TREASURER TEAM: The Treasurer - Peter Taylor

AYR-MCG WT: Working Team for the Assistance to Young Researchers in

Mathematical Creativity and Giftedness WG Leaders: Boris Koichu, Marianne Nolte

STIN-MCG WT: Working Team for Supporting Teachers in Nurturing Mathematical

Creativity and Giftedness

WG Leaders: Mark Saul, Mark Applebaum, Choi Jong Sool

WEBSITE-MCG TEAM: Website Manager: Viktor Freiman

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER CAMPS: Coordinator Florence Mihaela Singer

### **7. Finances** - Peter Taylor – *the Treasurer*- MCG

As a result of the conference in Busan running at a surplus the MCG has received this surplus as a generous donation. This money is being held in trust by the Australian Mathematics Trust.

20/08/2012	Receipt of Funds (US\$4090; \$4100 less \$10 bank charges)		3,816.37
31/12/2012	Plus interest to 31 December 2012	3.24%	41.22
31/12/2012	Balance at 31 December 2012		3,857.59
31/12/2013	Plus interest to 31 December 2013	3.44%	132.70
31/12/2013	Balance at 31 December 2013		3,990.29
31/12/2014	Plus interest to 31 December 2014	2.64%	105.34
31/12/2014	Balance at 31 December 2014		4,095.63
31/12/2015	Plus interest to 31 December 2015	2.90%	118.77
31/12/2015	Balance at 31 December 2015		4,214.40

Note: Interest based on average rate earned in year on BT/CBA investment