## A Chair for the ICMS Board

January 2022

The main aims of the International Centre for Mathematical Sciences (ICMS) are stimulating international collaboration, building the UK research capability and, above all, supporting excellent research across all areas of the mathematical sciences and its applications. ICMS events create new world-leading research in the mathematical sciences and facilitate new connections to the international community, to other disciplines, industry and to government initiatives.

ICMS wish to appoint a new Chair of their Advisory Board from September 2022 when Sir David Wallace, the incumbent, stands down. Responsible for oversight and promotion of the institute's activities, the ICMS Board both advises and works with the Management Committee to develop strategy. The role of Chair is to provide leadership, to chair and facilitate board meetings and advise on policy making. The Chair should bring impartiality and objectivity to decision making. The ICMS Advisory Board meets twice each year (in Edinburgh/online) with occasional ad hoc away days.

Qualities of a chair:

- A commitment to the aims and values of the ICMS
- Experience of leadership within a major private, public, or voluntary sector organisation in a management and/or Board capacity
- An interest in mathematics and science
- Varied range of contacts in the UK Higher Education and Research Communities
- Capacity to act as a 'critical friend' to ICMS Director
- Effective communication and interpersonal skills
- Strong international background and/or interests
- Good, independent judgement
- A commitment to Nolan's seven principles of public life: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty, and leadership.

## **Terms and conditions**

The Chair will be appointed for a three-year term, renewable for a further two years. The post is not remunerated, but reasonable travel and expenses will be reimbursed.

## How to apply

A covering letter and brief CV should be sent to Fiona Gilbert, Executive Assistant <u>Fiona.gilbert@icms.org.uk</u>

## The closing date for applications is Friday 4 March

Informal enquiries can be made to Jane Walker, Centre Manager in the first instance jane.walker@icms.org.uk

Once the deadline has passed, receipt of applications (covering letter and CV) will be acknowledged and then passed to the Nominating Committee (see below) to review the applications against the qualities listed above.

The Chair of the Nominating Committee will make a recommendation of an appointment to the ICMS Management Committee. The outcome of the decision will be communicated to candidates in April 2022

The Nominating Committee for ICMS committee appointments is: Helen Wilson, University College London, Chair Minhyong Kim, Director, ICMS Richard Pinch, ICMS Board representative Jane Walker, ICMS Centre Manager Katrin Wendland, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg

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