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# The International Consortium of Chinese Mathematicians (ICCM)

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After more than three years of preparations, the International Consortium of Chinese Mathematicians (ICCM) was formally established on the evening of 7 August 2016 in Beijing. The inauguration meeting, attended by over 120 Chinese mathematicians, was convened at the Sunshine Hall of Wenjin Hotel, Beijing. Before the meeting, an electronic version of the draft of the Charter of ICCM (see Chapter 9 of this issue) was sent to all the participants. Hard copies of the Charter were also provided on every table in the Sunshine Hall. Officers of various offices of ICCM were consulted and confirmed before the meeting (an updated list of office holders is appended below). The meeting started at 6:00 pm. The Charter of ICCM and the nomination of Prof. Shing-Tung Yau as the founding president of ICCM were unanimously approved by a clapping of hands. Prof. Yau then made a speech about his plans for ICCM summarized in the following.

The International Congress of Chinese Mathematicians as a flagship program of ICCM will be held every three years. For the interim years, annual meetings of smaller scale will be held in various cities. The 2019 International Congress of Chinese Mathematicians will be held at Beijing.

The Yau College Student Mathematics Contest will be subsumed under ICCM as an ICCM program.

Supported by a generous donation from Mr. Sze Lim Lee, the ICCM Sze Lim Lectureship (思廉讲座) was set up. Each year 10 Sze Lim lectures will be held with at least one each in the Mainland, Taiwan, Hong Kong/Macau. The Sze Lim Lectureship speaker will

give at least two talks, with one of an expository nature aimed at undergraduate students.

A Best Paper Awards will be set up to give annual awards to mathematics papers uploaded to MathSciDoc (<http://archive.ymsc.tsinghua.edu.cn/>). 10 Gold and 10 Silver awards will be given every year. (Post meeting note: TCL pledged to support this activity.)



After Prof. Yau's speech, endorsement and congratulatory speeches pledging support to ICCM were given by many mathematicians including Prof. Lo Yang, Prof. Jie Xiao, Prof. Jun Li, Prof. Chongqing Cheng, Prof. Kefeng Liu, Prof. Ching Hung Lam, Prof. Horng Tze Yau, Prof. Raymond Chan, Prof. S. J. Cheng, Prof. Jing Yu, Prof. Ying Ing Lee, and Prof. Sen Hu.

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