

# Newsletter No. 2 of February 11, 2013

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### 0. The last/lost Newsletter.

The email announcing the Newsletter of Jan. 7, 2013 was launched in due time by the Berlin's ISIMM secretariat. But at the beginning of February it became evident that the email had been received just by a minority of the ISIMM members.

A special technical ISIMM-commission was then immediately appointed, and endowed with unlimited budget for the investigations. This provided the following technical report.

Only 64 emails had been actually sent, out of 323. Apparently a rejection mechanism operated upon the addresses that started by "Prof. Dr. ..". (A sort of academic idiosyncrasy of the ISIMM-software.)

As in the end everything is under the responsibility of the president, I apologize for this inconvenience.

### 1. New Secretary-Treasurer.

The newly elected secretary-treasurer Wolfgang Müller resigned from his office. <sup>(1)</sup>

I asked Ulisse Stefanelli to replace him, and he promptly accepted. I then proposed this replacement to the Executive Committee, and received just answers of agreement. On this basis,

**Ulisse Stefanelli is now appointed as new secretary-treasurer of ISIMM for the period 2013-2016.**

### 2. Elections of the Executive Committee (EC).

Part of the members of the EC were in office since Jan. 2004, others since Jan. 2008. On this basis, as by the Newsletter of Jan 7, we started the renewal of the EC. I formed a Nominating Committee chaired by Kolumban Hutter, and made a call for candidatures in that Newsletter.

We then received just a small number of candidatures. <sup>(2)</sup> As our constitution prescribes (with good reason) that for each position there must be between two and three candidates, it was clear that we were then able to renew just a part of the EC.

I then asked to remain in office till the end of 2014 the members that have been there just since Jan. 2008. On the basis of the answers that I received,

**S. Antman, T. Ruggeri and D.L. Steigmann are confirmed as members of the Executive Committee for the years 2013 and 2014.**

Moreover,

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<sup>(1)</sup> This should not be related to the above-mentioned *email vanishing*, which was actually discovered only after the resignation.

<sup>(2)</sup> This instead may be related to the above-mentioned *email vanishing*,

**the terms for submitting candidatures to the Executive Committee will remain open untill February 20, 2013.**

After that term, as prescribed by our constitution, the Nominating Committee will start the selection of the candidates (between two and three for each of the seven available positions). All the members of ISIMM will then be asked to select seven members of the EC among those selected candidates.

Let me remind that candidates must be members of ISIMM; they just have to send a one-page CV in pdf by email to the new secretary-treasurer  
ulisse.stefanelli@imati.cnr.it

### **3. STAMM 2014.**

The next STAMM (namely the biyearly meeting of our society) is due for the Summer of 2014. In the last Newsletter, a call for proposals was made, and some were received.

On the basis of the events reported in Sect. 0, here I extend the term for submission to February 28, 2013. Details may be found in the last Newsletter.

With my best wishes,  
Augusto Visintin