

Change in the Cluster of Excellence for Mathematics

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Prof. Christoph Thiele will be assuming the scientific direction of the Hausdorff Research Institute for Mathematics (HIM) at the University of Bonn.
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Prof. Christoph Thiele will be the new scientific director of the Hausdorff Research Institute for Mathematics (HIM) at the University of Bonn from October 2017, taking over this position from Prof. Wolfgang Lück.

Christoph Thiele is currently a professor at the Cluster of Excellence Hausdorff Center for Mathematics (HCM) at the University of Bonn. Following his Ph.D. at Yale University in 1995, Thiele was a research assistant at the University of Kiel, qualified as a professor there, and became professor at the University of California in Los Angeles. He has held the renowned Hausdorff Chair at HCM, with which the Cluster of Excellence brings outstanding researchers to Bonn, since 2012. Thiele was vice-president of the American Mathematical Society between 2013 and 2016. In his research, the 49-year-old mathematician concerns himself with harmonic analysis. He was awarded the Salem Prize in 1996 and the Humboldt Research Award in 2010.

Thiele thus follows Prof. Wolfgang Lück, who was director at HIM from October 2011. During his term of office, Wolfgang Lück increased the international visibility of the institute and the sustainability of the research programs, particularly by introducing follow-up workshops. Some months after a research program, the participants meet once again in order to discuss the developments that have happened in the meantime.

As professor at the Mathematical Institute, the 60-year-old Leibniz Prize winner and former president of the German Mathematical Society will now more intensively devote himself to his Advanced Grant from the European Research Council, which Lück received back in June 2015. He also remains a Max Planck Fellow at the Max Planck Institute of Mathematics.

HIM has so far hosted over 4,000 mathematicians

The Hausdorff Research Institute for Mathematics (HIM) at the University of Bonn organizes long-term international research programs on topics relating to mathematics and mathematical economics. It was founded in 2007 as part of the Hausdorff Center for Mathematics (HCM), a Cluster of Excellence at the University of Bonn. HIM gives outstanding researchers the opportunity to work together on current research topics in thematically focused programs over several months. This offer has already drawn over 4,000 renowned mathematicians and talented early career researchers to Bonn from around the world. In this way, HIM initiates and promotes international collaborations and brings about new research programs.

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