

Colloquium  
*Mathematicians of the World, Unite!*  
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ABSTRACT

‘It is true that most of the great ideas of our science have raised and matured in the silence of the working studio; no other science, but possibly for Philosophy, presents a character so eremitic and secluded as mathematics. And yet, in the heart of a mathematician lives the necessity for communicating and expressing himself to his colleagues. And each of us certainly knows by personal experience how stimulating personal scientific intercourse can be.’

Adolf Hurwitz, first International Congress of Mathematicians, Zurich, 1897.

Dr. Guillermo Curbera is a professor of math at the University of Sevilla in Spain. He recently published a book entitled ‘Mathematicians of the world, unite!’. This is a history of all Congresses (so-called ICM’s) starting with 1897 Congress in Zurich. His Colloquium will be based on that book.