

CIM NEWS

BALAGUER PRIZE AWARDED TO M. GOLUBITSKY AND I. STEWART'S MONOGRAPH

The Ferran Sunyer i Balaguer Prize for 2001 has been awarded by the Institut d'Estudis Catalans to Martin Golubitsky and Ian Stewart for their monograph "The Symmetry Perspective: From Equilibrium to Chaos in Phase Space and Physical Space". According to the Institut, the Balaguer Prize, with a value of 10 000 Euros, "is awarded each year for a mathematical monograph of an expository nature presenting the latest developments in an active area of mathematics research in which the author has made important contributions."

Golubitsky and Stewart's book arose from lecture notes published by CIM in 2000 as no. 16 in

its series of monographs. The notes corresponded to a course on "Symmetry, dynamics, bifurcations and applications" given by the authors in Coimbra in July 2000 during the School on Bifurcations, Symmetry, and Patterns organized by I. Labouriau, S. Castro and A. Dias. The School was part of the CIM Thematic term on Dynamics, Bifurcation and Biology, organized by J. Basto-Gonçalves and I. Labouriau (University of Porto). In a message to Jorge Buescu, CIM Bulletin editor, Martin Golubitsky writes that "the Coimbra Summer School was the impetus for writing 'The Symmetry Perspective'". Ian Stewart adds that "the only reason Marty and I wrote the prizewinning book was because we produced notes for the Portugal meeting." For more details on the 2000 Thematic Term see no. 8 of the CIM Bulletin.

RESEARCH IN PAIRS AT CIM

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- access to the library of the Department of Mathematics of the University of Coimbra (30 minutes away by bus);

- lodging: a two room flat.

At least one of the researchers should be affiliated with an associate of CIM, or a participant in a CIM event.

Applicants should fill in the electronic application form

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