

An invitation to celebrate

The International Mathematical Union is leading the project of having UNESCO proclaiming March 14 (Pi Day) as the International Day of Mathematics (IDM). This proclamation has been adopted by the Executive Board of UNESCO at its 205-th session in October 2018. It is now on the agenda of the 40th General Conference of UNESCO in November 2019. If adopted, the official launch will be in 2020.

Considering that March 14 2020 is a Saturday, the launch at the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris will take place on Friday March 13, 2020. We will hold a simultaneous African launch at the Next Einstein Forum in Nairobi, Kenya.



The 2020 theme is

Mathematics is everywhere

- Mathematics is everywhere in science and technology
- Mathematics is everywhere in the organization of the civilization.
- Mathematics is essential to meet the UN Sustai-

nable Development Goals.

- Mathematics is everywhere in whatever you do.
- Tell me about some activity or area and I will tell you where mathematics is.

On the <u>website</u> you can (website will be fully operational in October 2019)

- Find open source material related to theme: projects, ideas, software for use in classrooms, in large events or in small activities for the children and the general public
- Find instructions on how to organize an event
- Post your activities on an interactive map
- Explore the activities around the world

How will you celebrate?

- Will you celebrate in your classroom?
- Do you wish to organize a small exhibition and/or interactive activities with your local community?
- Will your national mathematical society or mathematics teachers association organize national activities?
- Will you celebrate with a neighbouring country?

Start thinking on how you will celebrate. We are here to help <u>www.idm314.org</u>

