# Call for Papers

## IM 2018 Stratford upon Avon

## International Meeting of Collectors and Researchers of

## Slide Rules and other Historic Computing Instruments

## Stratford, September 21–22, 2018

We invite you to submit your presentation for the IM 2018 in Stratford. Traditionally, the main subjects of IM presentations are slide rules and other computational aids based on logarithms, but we are also interested in other types of mathematical instruments, like integrators, mechanical calculators, and tables. The focus is not on just getting a numerical result; we particularly value reports about applications and how specific instruments, like special purpose slide rules, solved the problem at hand. Furthermore, talks on educational and training issues are most welcome.

Traditionally, we have a theme for the conference. It is not necessary for your paper to adhere to this theme although we are sure that some will! Since we are hosting this conference at the birthplace of the Bard it was almost inevitable that our theme would be related to Shakespeare. This year the theme is:

From Sonnets to Sums

We hope that this theme will give free rein to your imagination!

We are quite happy with both short papers for brief presentations as well as the more usual full length treatments. Furthermore, we may also accept multiple short papers by an author.

The conference language is English, with no preference of either English or American English. But please be consistent.

We accept documents in a variety of formats including text and word documents and will format them into a consistent standard. Your paper will eventually be converted into pdf format for printing but we would prefer you not to submit in this format since we have had problems in the past editing this format.

We will send prospective authors some guidelines if requested but in the past we have found that detailed guidelines tend to inhibit rather than help an author. Do not worry, we have significant experience in making appropriate editing changes where necessary. Further, authors whose native language is not English will be provided with a full editing service.

We ask you to inform us about your intention to submit a paper as soon as possible to help us with the planning of the conference, as well as its proceedings. Early paper submission is much appreciated to help spread the workload. In particular with respect to illustrations and their preparation, we would like to hear from you as early as possible.

Essential dates

01.04.2018    latest notice of intent of submission wanted

15.05.2018    deadline for the submission of your paper

15.06.2018    final version of the paper due

Please direct all your correspondence and send all submissions to Jerry McCarthy

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