



Ibni Oumar Mahamat Saleh's Prize

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are pleased to announce that the Ibni Oumar Mahamat Saleh Prizes 2026 have been awarded to

Hugues DEFO & Franck TCHINDA



The **Ibni Prize** was launched in 2009 to honor the memory of Ibni Oumar Mahamat Saleh, a Chadian mathematician and politician, in order to perpetuate his commitment to deliver a high quality training to young African mathematicians.

The Ibni Prize is awarded by a scientific committee set up jointly by our learned societies and CIMPA, the International Center for Pure and Applied Mathematics.

One or two candidates are awarded every second year.

Individual funds are raised by a subscription. The Ibni Prize 2026 is also supported by the CIMPA, the research network AFRIMath, the Institute Denis Poisson, the Center Henri Lebesgue, and the Ghent Analysis & PDE Center.

More information on how to apply for the prize and how it is awarded is available at
<https://www.idpoisson.fr/prix-ibni/>

Hugues DEFO is Cameroonian. He carried out his studies at the University of Yaoundé I, where he defended in May 2025 a thesis entitled

Hankel and Toeplitz Operators on Vector-Valued Bergman Spaces.

He is currently part-time lecturer at the University of Yaoundé I.

Franck TCHINDA is Cameroonian. He completed his studies up to the master's degree at the University of Ngaoundere, then his PhD at the University of Maroua. He defended in May 2025 a thesis entitled

On Two-Scale Convergence and Homogenization of Partial Differential Equations in Orlicz Setting.

He is currently an Assistant Lecturer at the University of Bertoua in Cameroon.