From Tata Inst visiting committee:

• List of faculty, with field, date of hire, date of potential mandatory retirement

• List of hires in last 5 years

• Profile of student body --how many in each year of study

• Arrangement for granting PhD’s -- is this through Bombay University? What happens to the theses?

• List of PhD’s granted in last five years, with first job (and current position, if known)

• If there is any sort of strategic plan, we would like to see it.

• Documents from the previous visiting committee. [this we have already]

• Process of hiring faculty; arrangements for retirements

From Nalini Joshi to Takashi Kumagai

On 5/12/20, 7:47 pm, "Nalini Joshi" <[nalini.joshi@sydney.edu.au](mailto:nalini.joshi@sydney.edu.au)> wrote:

Dear Professor Kumagai

I put together a list of possible questions, in response to your request. These are based on recommendations of previous external reviews of RIMS. I hope they are not too impolite or direct and I hope they might be useful. Please do not hesitate to discard them or change them if they are not relevant.

Q1. What are the most important characteristics that enable world-leading research in the mathematical sciences?

Q2. Does RIMS offer all of these characteristics?

Q3. Is there any barrier to carrying out research or collaborations at RIMS?

Q4. Is there sufficient diversity in topics, gender and the origin of participants at RIMS?

​Kind regards

Nalini

From Takashi Tsuboi to Takashi Kumagai:

I would like to know the opinion of Profs. PostDocs,Graduate Students,  
visitors about the research spaces (their office spaces, discussion spaces, etc.).  
I would like to know these areas by number of square meters.  
  
With best regards,  
Takashi

Overview of diversity of participants – numbers!

Women PhD’s in Japan – how many/year? Total women math researchers 200-300? Of 3000. 5-10% of new PhDs.

Tokyo U is a major source.

Undergrads (faculty of science) – choose major in 3rd year. When they enter they like math; but after 2 year no. Similar in Kyoto U.

For organizing workshops: need a certain fraction from Under-rep groups.

Provision for grad students? RIMS grad students can have advisor in Kyoto. RIMS grad students have better exam scores.

Ask about placement of grad students. (Acad jobs are few; company jobs more.) There are beginning to be joint positions with companies and academic institutes.

Job placements for the non-permanent positions? Competition is with younger researchers, sometimes the younger are preferred.

Promotion? Time in position as Assoc Prof?

(AT U Tokyo: Assoc profs are recruited from outside; Full profs are recruited inside or outside (recruitment takes a long time, ~2 years). Promotion can be from assistant prof (5-year trial period).

Movement between Inst and Dept?

Is RIMS appreciated by the Japanese community?

Projects at RIMS are decided by a committee – ½ Kyoto U, ½ outside. (Profs from other U’s come for a a year or so; person coming from outside may hire young people for 2 years.)

For concentrating on research: RIMS is the top job. For having many students: go to Tokyo U.

Graduate program at RIMS only started in last 20 years. Courses are run, joint with Kyoto. Does every faculty member do some teaching?

Graduate program: For the most recent available 10 years:

The number of graduate students admitted each year.

The number of students who graduate each year.

The number of years for completion of M.Sc and D.Sc degrees.

What courses were offered in the last three years?

What are the percentages of women in the M.Sc. and D.Sc programs?

What is the percentage of women D.Sc. recipients among all mathematics D.Sc. recipients in Japan?

Workshops: How many women were participants in the workshops of the last two years? Many were organizers?

From what countries did the participants/organizers of the workshops come? How many people from each?

What were the placements of the recent postdocs and non-promoted assistant professors

How long have each of the Associate Professors been in that rank?

Has the Institute made significant changes in the last two years?

Hire year and retirement year of the faculty: You sent us a list of the faculty, with fields, which is very helpful. Please provide a spreadsheet with this data together with year of hire and year of mandatory retirement.

Is there a strategic plan for hiring in different fields? If so, we would like to see it.

Dear Professor Eisenbud, Professor Eliashberg, Professor Joshi and Professor Tsuboi,  
>  
> Thank you very much for your support on the external review of RIMS.  
> I am writing this mail on behalf of Prof. Takashi Kumagai, Director of RIMS.  
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> I would be grateful if you could check the movies uploaded onto:  
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> username: video  
> password: Ay2020ax  
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> I will only send you additional data in preparation for your request.  
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> Thank you again for your kind support on this matter.  
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> Yours faithfully,  
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