

Dear colleagues,

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Hartwig Meißner in February 2026, a long-standing member of PME, a founding father of the European Society for Research in Mathematics Education (ERME), and an active contributor to both the Gesellschaft für Didaktik der Mathematik (GDM) and the International Group for the Psychology of Mathematics Education (PME) community.

Hartwig played an important role in the early development of our community, including offering suggestions regarding the naming of PME, as documented in the [historical records](#). His thoughtful engagement and commitment to mathematics education left a lasting mark on our field and on the European research community more broadly.

On behalf of the entire IC Board, we extend our sincere condolences to his family, who can be reached at i.meissner@web.de.

With respect and remembrance,

On behalf of the IC Board