

The 2011-2012 Campaign



A word from the Chairman

“ In its second decade of existence, Friends of IHES, Inc. aims to upgrade its support to the Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques (IHÉS) by expanding its global reach and by strengthening its activities.

With great respect for theoretical science and for IHÉS, it is an honor to be committed to fostering the integration and the growth of the mathematics community throughout the world.

IHÉS created a unique community with international scientists who continuously fulfill significant achievements in mathematics and theoretical physics, in total intellectual freedom and independence.

In order to offer more opportunities to US scientists to study at IHÉS, it is crucial for Friends of IHES, Inc. to organize scientific events to reach out to new US supporters, corporations and foundations fascinated by the beauty of theoretical science.

Developing exchanges between the United States and France will contribute to the expansion of academic excellence of both nations and to the benefit of the world's scientific community.

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Renaud Dutreil

A new challenge for Friends of IHES, Inc.: \$3 million to be raised in 2011-2012

Friends of IHES, Inc. has been chaired since June 2010 by Renaud Dutreil, Chairman of LVMH Inc., assisted by a new team with extensive experience and a firm commitment to the Institute.

Three reasons exist for this new US campaign:

- Extending support from American sources to finance researchers from the US;
- Supporting Friends of IHES, Inc. efforts to build a community by organizing events; and
- Helping IHÉS meet recurring needs to fund major international scientific meetings in Bures.

The new challenge for Friends of IHES, Inc. is to raise **\$3 million** by the end of 2012 in order to support IHÉS by strengthening its networks and activities.

This is subject to any administrative expenses that we may have and that may be disclosed to donors upon request.

Goals:

American Fund (endowment)	\$1,700,000
Funding US Visitors	\$800,000
Supporting Friends of IHES, Inc. Activities	\$200,000
Naming Opportunity - IHÉS Boardroom	\$200,000
Funding Scientific Conferences	\$100,000
TOTAL	\$3,000,000

- **American Fund** **\$1,700,000**
The Institute has recently created a **\$15 million** American Fund to finance US scientists' stays at the Institute. This first short-term campaign of Friends of IHES, Inc. will contribute an initial \$1.7 million to the Fund.

- **Funding US Visitors** **\$800,000**
US researchers annually cost IHÉS approximately \$800,000. Currently, the only source of funding from the US comes from the National Science Foundation, which supplies an annual \$200,000 grant. Friends of IHES, Inc. aims to raise \$800,000 in the next two years from US foundations, companies and individuals to contribute to the funding of US visitors for the next 3 years. The consolidated cost of a one-month visit is about \$8,000.

- **Supporting Friends of IHES, Inc. Activities** **\$200,000**
Friends of IHES, Inc. is currently planning to organize many events to strengthen the visibility of IHÉS in the US and to reinforce its US ties.

- **Naming Opportunity - IHÉS Boardroom** **\$200,000**
This large meeting room part of the scientific building of the Institute is looking for a donor who will give his/her name to the room.

- **Funding Scientific Conferences** **\$100,000**
IHÉS organizes each year several international conferences, at which many leading speakers and participants come from the US.



L. Carbone, P. Vanhove

What is IHÉS?

The Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques (IHÉS) is a leading center for fundamental research in mathematics, theoretical physics and related disciplines, renowned in the international scientific community and located in France. It was created in 1958 by Léon Motchane, an industrialist with a passion for mathematics, and intended as a counterpart of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton.

The excellence of the research carried out at the Institute since its creation, the very high profile of its permanent professors and the thousands of visiting scholars who have come from around the world to work there, together with the absolute freedom they enjoy to conduct their research, have long made IHÉS one of the world's leading scientific research centers. This non-programmed based research is a universally recognized hallmark by IHÉS as well as its congenial and pluridisciplinary atmosphere.

Seven out of the ten mathematicians who have been or are currently permanent professors at IHÉS received the Fields Medal, the highest international award for mathematicians. Many other prestigious recognitions have been awarded to mathematicians and theoretical physicists.



M. Gromov, A. Connes

How to become associated with Friends of IHES, Inc. campaign

Endowment gifts

Fund the American Fund at IHÉS (one donor)	\$ 1,700,000
Contribute to the American Fund (multi-donors)	from \$100,000 to \$500,000
Fellowship (2 months visit)	\$500,000
Fellowship (1 month visit)	\$250,000

Annual Support

Support month-visits	
1 month	\$8,000
2 months	\$16,000
3 months	\$24,000
4 months	\$32,000
5 months	\$40,000
6 months	\$48,000

Support scientific events at IHÉS

3 generations of String Theory at IHÉS	\$30,000
Bicentenary of Evariste Gallois	\$20,000
Centenary of Shiing Shen Chern	\$20,000
Biology Conference	\$30,000

Naming Opportunity

IHÉS Boardroom	\$200,000
The gift will help IHÉS upgrade the equipment, fixtures and fittings of the room and insure its proper maintenance in the long term.	

Friends of IHES, Inc. Corporate club

Annual membership	\$10,000
Friends of IHES, Inc. has created a corporate partnership program to strengthen the links between IHÉS and US companies.	

Becoming member of the program includes:

- Thematic breakfast in New York at LVMH Inc. offices with special guests (American and European mathematicians, physicists, biologists, ...) on the latest advances or trends in basic research.
- Invitation to a one-hour "Math Class" with IHÉS professors in Bures.
- Annual dinner in New York City with the IHÉS director and leading scientists.
- Invitation to all IHÉS events.
- IHÉS publications (newsletter, annual report) and Friends of IHES, Inc. communications.

Friends of IHES, Inc. club for individuals

Annual Membership	\$4,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Thematic breakfast in New York at LVMH Inc. offices with special guests (American and European mathematicians, physicists, biologists, ...) on the latest advances or trends in basic research. ● Invitation to all Friends of IHES, Inc. and IHÉS public events. ● IHÉS publications (newsletter, annual report) and Friends of IHES, Inc. communications. 	



N. Nekrasov, A. Okounkov

“ I'd like to thank you very much for two very productive months in Bures. I am so much looking forward to my next visit, whenever it may be (soon, I hope). Not only IHÉS provides a very stimulating intellectual climate, it is also a great place to think quietly and, hopefully, deeply. ”

Andrei Okounkov (Columbia University, 2006 Fields Medalist)

Governing Body

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Reception at Ambassador's, Mr Araud, French Residence in New York

Friends of IHES, Inc. Mission

Friends of IHES, Inc. is a charitable 501(c)(3) organization created in 1999 to increase the visibility of IHÉS in the United States, to coordinate the network of current and former American visiting scholars to the Institute, to organize scientific and cultural events, and to raise funds for IHÉS.

Why raise funds in the US? Each year, IHÉS welcomes between 200 and 250 mathematicians, physicists, biologists and computer scientists, more than 30% of which are US residents. The mutual benefits to IHÉS on one hand, and to American scientists and academic institutions on the other, are obvious. The intellectual contribution of these scientists is essential to the Institute's research work. Meanwhile, US scientists return to their home institutions with an enriched understanding of their field benefiting their research and students.

Friends of IHES, Inc. has been playing a very important role these last 10 years, with \$15 million raised from major donors and foundations and a number of events organized in New York, Washington D.C., Chicago, Boston and San Francisco. Links between the Institute and universities such as New York University, The City University of New York and The Rockefeller University are very strong.

Ways to Give

- **Send a check to:**
Friends of IHES, Inc.
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- **Donate on line through Network for Good: go on www.friendsofihes.org and follow the process**

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