REFERENCE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS:

Note that programmes can be of 6 months, 4 months or 4 weeks duration. Typically short programmes are intended for narrowly focused topics, or for subjects at an early stage of development for which a longer programme might not be appropriate. The full details of all programmes is available at www.newton.ac.uk/science/programmes.

The Submission of Proposals document (www.newton.ac.uk/science/proposals/guidelines) and the general Policy Statement (www.newton.ac.uk/about/governance/policy-statement) together set out the key criteria for selection of programmes and I would be most grateful if you could evaluate the proposal with reference to these criteria. In your comments you may wish to address the following:

(1) On the Programme’s Objectives
   a) Please say what you find distinctive, novel, ambitious, timely or creative about the present proposal.
   b) Is the programme likely to have a lasting impact?
   c) Will the programme make an impact on researchers in the UK?
   d) How do recent progress and likely future developments in the field justify this programme in two years time?
   e) Will the programme involve cross-fertilisation between mathematicians and other disciplines, within the mathematical sciences or between different branches of pure mathematics?

(2) On the Programme’s Structure
   a) Is the structure suitable, given the aims and scientific objectives set out in the proposal.
   b) Is the programme likely to stimulate research among research students and young postdocs (e.g. via workshops organised within the framework of the programme)?

(3) On the Organisers and Participants
   a) Will the suggested organisers and participants result in a high-level and lively interchange of expertise and ideas?
   b) Do the organisers have the administrative and organisational skills to ensure an effective and well-arranged programme?
   c) Is the demographic balance of the organisers and participants (experience, geographical spread, gender etc) appropriate?