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Welcome to YESS14!

Dear YESS14 participants,

We are very happy to welcome you to Utrecht for the Fourteenth YERME Summer School. From 2 to 7 August 2026, YESS14 will bring together early career researchers in mathematics education from across Europe for a week of thematic working groups, plenary activities, research discussions, and informal exchange.

As the Local Organizing Team, we look forward to welcoming you at Utrecht University and hope that YESS14 will be a stimulating, supportive, and enjoyable week for all of you.

If you have any questions before or during the week, reach out to us!

We look forward to welcome you in August,

The Local Organizing Team (LOC)

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Preparatory questionnaire

You should have received an invitation by e-mail to fill in a very short questionnaire (3 minutes). This questionnaire asks about your arrival time, dietary restrictions and lunch options for Wednesday and Thursday.

→ Please fill it in before the 15 July

Whatsapp group

During the YESS week and the preceding weekend, the summer school WhatsApp group will be the main place for informal arrangements. Whether you want to go for drinks in the city centre after a long day, make plans for the free afternoon, or ask practical questions, this is where it will happen. The LOC will also use the group to share practical information and updates. You can join the WhatsApp group by clicking this link:

 <https://chat.whatsapp.com/FoIXzhIBcMy67zizBiG7sB>

Arrival and room keys



If you arrive on **Saturday before 18:00 (6 PM)** or on **Sunday before 15:00 (3 PM)**, you can pick up your key in the city centre, a 10-minute walk from the train station:

Janskerkhof 30
3512 BN Utrecht

 [Open on Google Maps](#)

If you arrive later than 6 PM on Saturday, please indicate this on the preparatory questionnaire. The Local Organizing Team will make arrangements.

In case of last-minute delays on Saturday meaning that you will arrive after 6 PM, please contact Filip Moons immediately at +32 494 03 43 83.

For arrivals after 3 PM on Sunday, please go directly to De Moestuin (address below). Your key will be available there. Please make sure to arrive in time for the festive opening at 4 PM.

Accommodation

You will have a private room with a bed and desk in a shared unit with other YESS14 participants. The unit has a toilet, bathroom and kitchen. It will be super cosy. You will get to know your exact room when you pick up your key.

The accommodation is located at Cambridgelaan, a very brutalist but architecturally interesting building at Utrecht Science Park:



Cambridgelaan
3584 CS Utrecht



[Open on Google Maps](#)



Please note that you should bring your own bed linen and a towel.

You can buy an inflatable pillow and sleep bag from Utrecht Summer School instead.

Some of you already ordered this upon registration.

The accommodation is practically arranged by the Utrecht Summer School office. If you have any questions regarding accommodation, ask when you pick up your key or e-mail to summerschool@uu.nl and put yess14@uu.nl in CC.

Breakfast

Breakfast is not provided. Participants are expected to arrange their own breakfast in their shared accommodation, which has a kitchen and dining table. Breakfast items can be bought at the SPAR supermarket on campus:

SPAR University
Heidelberglaan 1B
3584 CS Utrecht



[Open on Google Maps](#)



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The SPAR is open every day. You can also buy groceries at a supermarket in the city centre, which is often a bit cheaper.

Organization of your Thematic Working Group (TWG)

No later than the 10 July, you will receive the practical information about the organization of your TWG by your working group leader. For any additional information, contact your working group leader directly:

- **TWG 1: Mathematics teacher expertise, practice, and professional development**
Leader: Marita Friesen - | friesen@ph-heidelberg.de
- **TWG 2: Teaching and learning mathematics at the primary and pre-school level**
Leader: Jorryt van Bommel | jorryt.vanbommel@kau.se
- **TWG 3: Teaching and learning mathematics at secondary level**
Leader: Paul Drijvers | p.drijvers@uu.nl |
- **TWG 4: Teaching and learning mathematics at the upper secondary and university levels**
Leader: Olov Viirman | olov.viirman@edu.uu.se
- **TWG 5: Information technologies in mathematics teaching and learning**
Leader: Paola Iannone | moutsiosrent@primedu.uoa.gr
- **TWG 6: Proof, proving, problem solving, and interdisciplinarity in mathematics education**
Leader: Andreas Moutsios-Rentzos | moutsiosrent@primedu.uoa.gr
- **TWG 7: Preservice teachers' training in mathematics**
Leader: Stéphane Clivaz | stephane.clivaz@hepl.ch

Free afternoon – Tuesday 4 August

On Tuesday 4 August, there will be a free afternoon from 15:30 onwards. You are completely free to decide how to spend this time. You may want to explore Utrecht, take the train to Amsterdam (first taking the tram from Utrecht Science Park to the train station) or simply return to the accommodation to relax.

Please note that no dinner will be provided that evening. Of course, you are also welcome to stay at the accommodation or have dinner in the kitchen of your shared unit. The choice is entirely yours.

Provisional schedule

Version 30 June 2026 - *Subject to change*

Addresses are included the first time a venue appears in the schedule.

Day 1 – Sunday – 2/8/2026

Time	Activity	Additional information
16:00	Festive welcome & registration at the Moestuin	 De Moestuin Laan van Maarschalkerweerd 2 3585 LJ Utrecht  Open on Google Maps
17:00	Opening session	
18:00	TWG slot 1 First thematic working group session.	 You can take the tram from the accommodation at Utrecht Science Park to <i>Stadion Galgenwaard</i> . You can pay the trip with a credit card by checking in. Don't forget to check-out.
19:00-...	Festive dinner at the Moestuin	

Day 2 – Monday – 3/8/2026

Time	Activity	Additional information
09:00	TWG slot 2a	 Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Budapestlaan 4a-b 3584 CD Utrecht  Open on Google Maps  You can walk from the accommodation to the building. It's approximately 10 minutes. Rooms for the TWG's: • TWG1: BBG – 0.69

		• TWG2: BBG – 0.71 • TWG3: KBG – 2.28 • TWG4: BBG – 0.77 • TWG5: KBG – 2.24 • TWG6: BBG – 0.75 • TWG7: KBG – 2.08
10:30	Coffee break	 Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Floor 1 – Next to the SPAR
11:00	TWG slot 2b	
12:30	Lunch at the Botanical Gardens	 Tuincafé Botanica Budapestlaan 17 3584 CD Utrecht  Open on Google Maps
		 You can walk from the Victor Koningsberger. It's right in front. Please take your lanyard of Utrecht Summer School to get free entrance.
14:00	Networking	→ You can access the Botanic Gardens for free during the summer school with your lanyard.
14:30	Plenary lecture 1 Paul Drijvers - The landscape of mathematics education research <i>See abstract below</i>	 Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Auditorium Atlas
15:30	Coffee break	
16:00	TWG slot 3	
18:00	Dinner	 Grand Café LIVING Weg tot de Wetenschap 400

		3584 CN Utrecht  Open on Google Maps  You can walk from the Victor Koningsberger (3 minutes). It's next to the tram station Padualaan.
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Day 3 – Tuesday – 4/8/2026

Time	Activity	Additional information
09:00	TWG slot 4a	
10:30	Coffee break	
11:00	TWG slot 4b	
12:30	Lunch	 Grand Café Living (same as the last night's dinner)
14:00	Networking	
14:30	Plenary lecture 2 Paola Iannone, Olov Viirman and Andreas Moutsios-Rentzos – From findings to publication <i>See abstract below</i>	
15:30 - ...	Free time to explore the city (dinner on own costs)	

Day 4 – Wednesday – 5/8/2026

Time	Activity	Additional information
09:00	TWG slot 5a	
10:30	Coffee break	
11:00	TWG slot 5b	

12:30	Lunch	 Sandwiches from Broodje Ben Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Floor 1 – Next to the SPAR
14:00	Networking	
14:30	YERME Discussion group	 Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Auditorium Atlas
15:30	Coffee break	
16:00	TWG slot 6	
18:00	Dinner	 Grand Café Living

Day 5 – Thursday – 6/8/2026

<i>Time</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Additional information</i>
09:00	TWG slot 7a	
10:30	Coffee break	
11:00	TWG slot 7b	
12:30	Lunch	 Sandwiches from Broodje Ben Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Floor 1 – Next to the SPAR
14:00	Networking	
14:30	Plenary lecture 3 Rogier Bos - Design research in mathematics education	 Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Auditorium Atlas
15:30	Coffee break	
16:00	TWG slot 8	
18:00	Dinner	 Grand Café Living

19:00	Preparation and travelling to the night canoeing.	 Kanoverhuur aan de gracht Oudegracht aan de Werf 275 3511 NG Utrecht  Open on Google Maps
20:00	Night canoeing (Be on time!)	
		 You can take bus 29, 28, 27, 18 from Utrecht Science Park. Check Google maps for the most appropriate way. You can pay by credit card by checking in/out.

Day 6 – Friday – 7/8/2026

Time	Activity	Additional information
08:50	Return of housing keys	➔ Please check out of your room, leave it tidy, and return your key to the Local Organizing Team, who will be waiting for you at:  Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Floor 1 – Next to the SPAR
09:00	TWG slot 9	
10:30	Coffee break	
11:00	TWG Reports	
12:30	Closing session with certificate ceremony	 Victor J. Koningsbergergebouw Auditorium Atlas
13:30-...	Departure	

Plenary lectures

Lecture 1: The landscape of mathematics education research: Theories and practices **Paul Drijvers**

As a research field, mathematics education is a young domain at the edge of educational and mathematical sciences. Despite its short history, the field is both diverse and eclectic. Still, there are some common grounds and conventions on what research in our field entails and how it is communicated. In this presentation, these common grounds will be explored along the traditional lines of theory and methods, taking both an academic and a practical stance. These general perspectives will be illustrated for the case of research on the use of digital technology in mathematics education.

Lecture 2: From findings to publication: Trials, tribulations and the input of Reviewer #2

Paola Iannone, Olov Viirman and Andreas Moutsios-Rentzos

Very often a PhD leads to publications in peer reviewed international journals - but as an early career researcher how do you navigate the publication process, its perils and its outcomes? In this session we will offer a practical tour to publication, from the perspective of an editor, an author and a reviewer. From deciding which journal to send the paper to, to a description of the work of the editor as they receive the paper. We will then discuss how to handle the reviews received for your paper, and how to write helpful reviews. Above all, we want to stress that the peer-reviewing process, although not perfect - can be very useful to push a researcher's thinking forward when carried out thoughtfully.

Lecture 3: Design research in mathematics education: Designing for Learning, Learning from Design

Rogier Bos

Design research is a popular approach in mathematics education. Rather than treating educational interventions as given and to be evaluated, design research studies learning through the iterative design, implementation, analysis, and refinement of instructional environments and sequences. In this lecture, we will explore the rationale, principles, and practices of design research, with particular attention to its role in generating both educational innovation and theoretical insight. Topics will include design principles, conjecture mappings, hypothetical/actual learning trajectories, teaching experiments, retrospective analysis, and local instruction theories. Through examples from mathematics education theories like Realistic Mathematics Education and the Theory of Didactical Situations, participants will discover how design research can be used to investigate learning processes in authentic settings.

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