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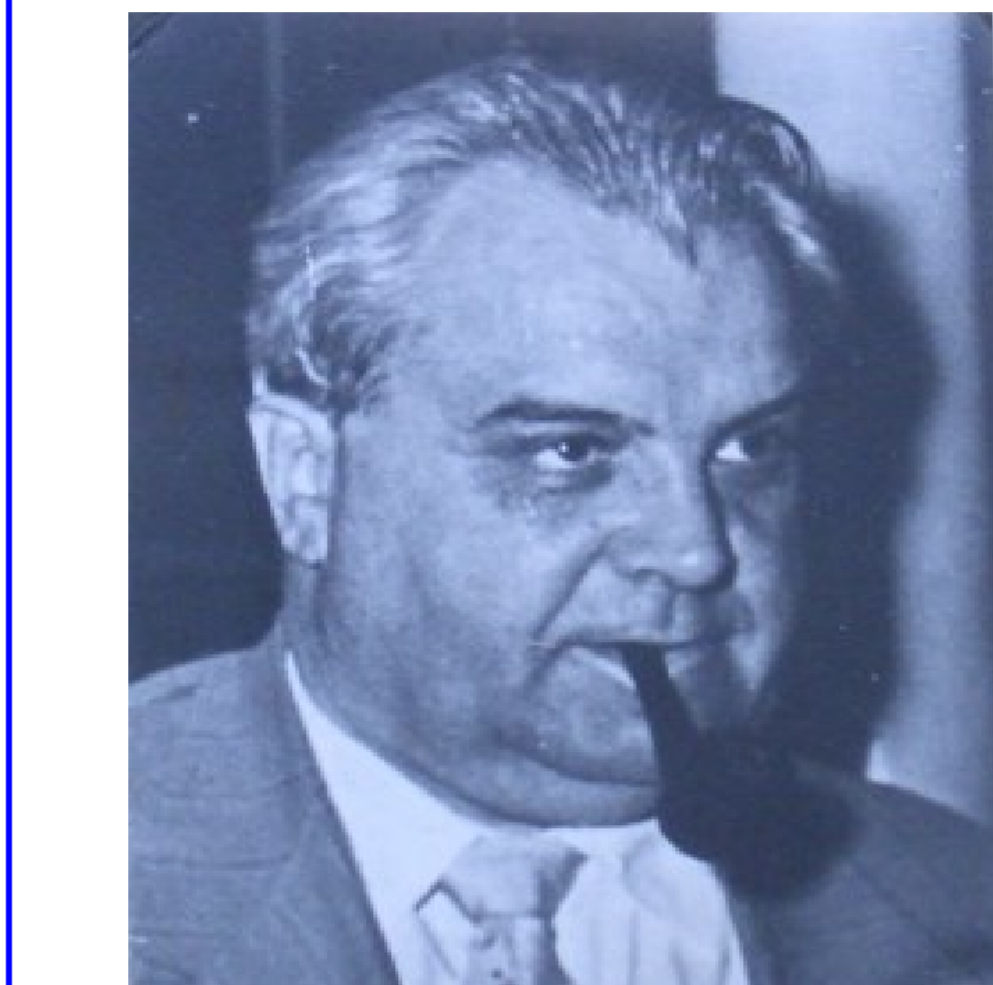
The founding fathers of IFTToMM

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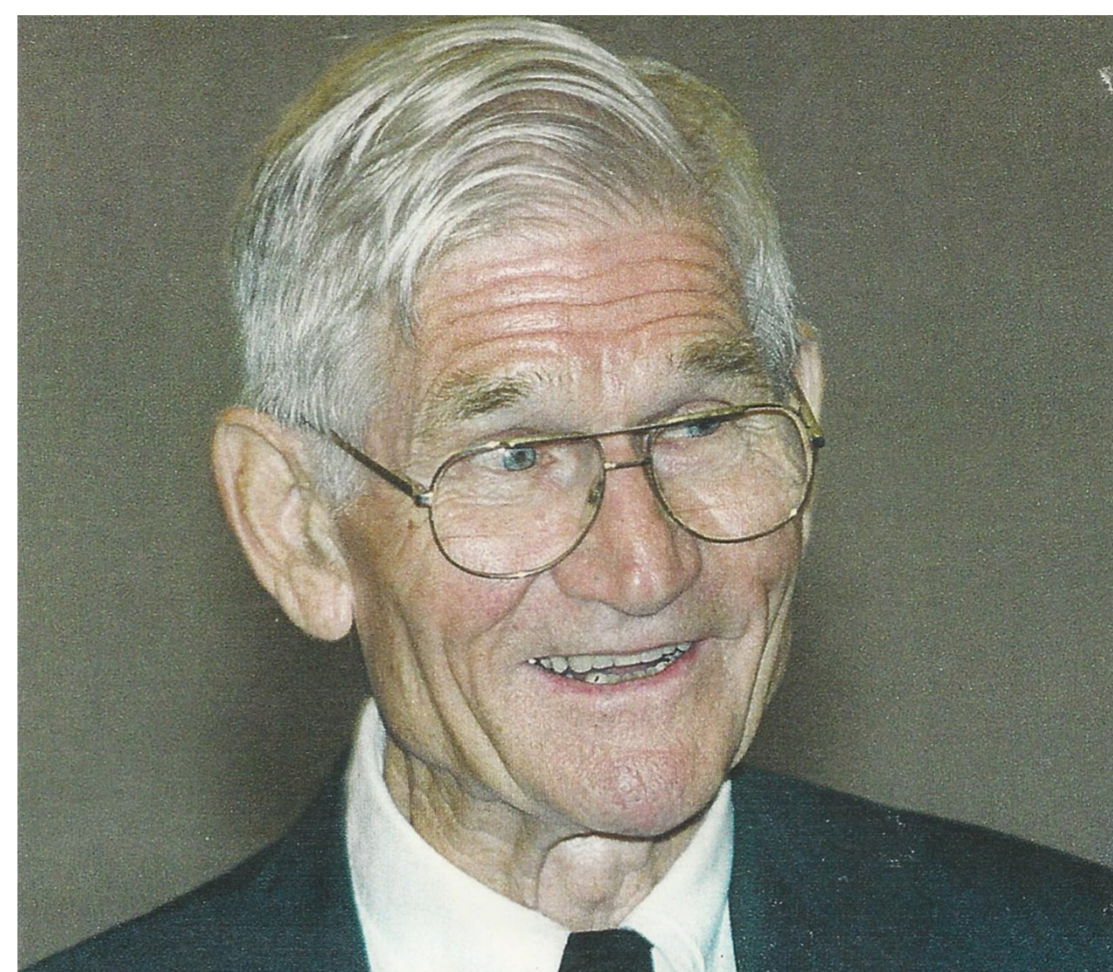
Founding fathers of IFTToMM

(who signed the IFTToMM act and members of the 1st Executive Council)

- Academician Ivan I. Artobolevski (USSR)
- Prof. Erskine F. R. Crossley (USA)
- Prof. Michael S. Konstantinov (Bulgaria)
- Dr. Werner Thomas (GFR)
- Prof. B. M. Belgaumkar (India)
- Prof. Kenneth H. Hunt (Australia)
- Prof. Jan Oderfeld (Poland)
- Prof. Jack Phillips (Australia)
- Prof. George Rusanov (Bulgaria)
- Prof. Wolfgang Rössner (GDR)
- Prof. Zènò Terplàn (Hungary)
- Prof. Jammi S. Rao (India)
- Prof. Giovanni Bianchi (Italy)
- Prof. Adam Morecki (Poland)
- Prof. Nicolae I. Manolescu (Romania)
- Prof. Leonard Maunder (UK)
- Prof. Douglas Muster (USA)
- Prof. Branislav Ilic (Yugoslavia)



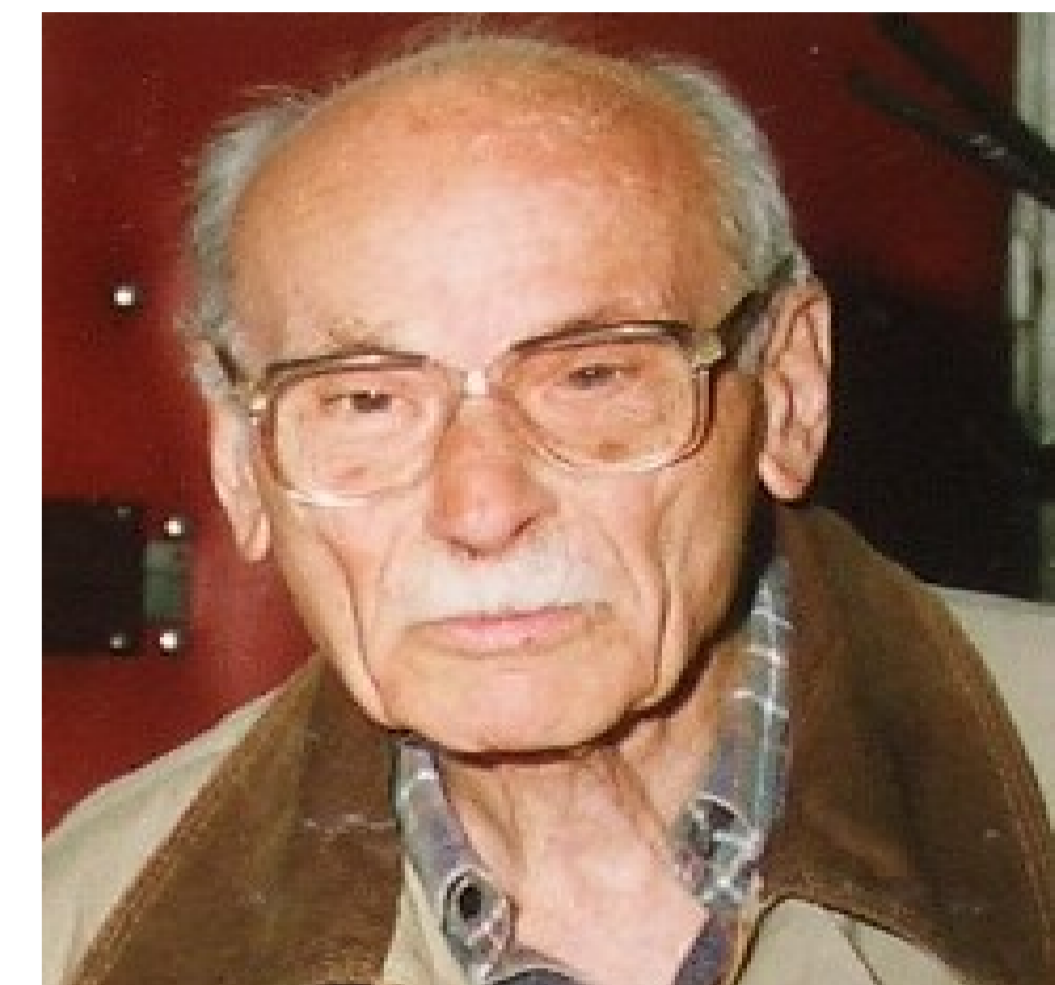
Ivan Ivanovich Artobolevski
(Moscow 9 Oct 1905 - 21 Sept 1977).
As professor at Bauman University of Moscow he was a worldwide reputed figure in TMM for his activities (research, teaching, and organization) and publication productions. Besides the many original designs of machines and systems, his most important work is considered to be the encyclopaedic publication in 6 volumes on classification of mechanisms that has been translated into several languages all around the world. He was one of the major promoters of IFTToMM and served as the first IFTToMM President.



Francis Rendel Erskine Crossley
(Belper, UK, 21 July 1915 - USA 4 Feb. 2017)
As professor at Purdue University, he was a worldwide reputed figure in TMM for his activities (research, teaching, and organization) and community organization. Besides the many publications and machine designs, his most important work may be considered to be his book Dynamics in Machines (1954). In 1969 he started the Journal of Mechanisms that is renamed since 1972 as Mechanism and Machine Theory. He was one of the major promoters of IFTToMM and served as the first IFTToMM Vice-President.

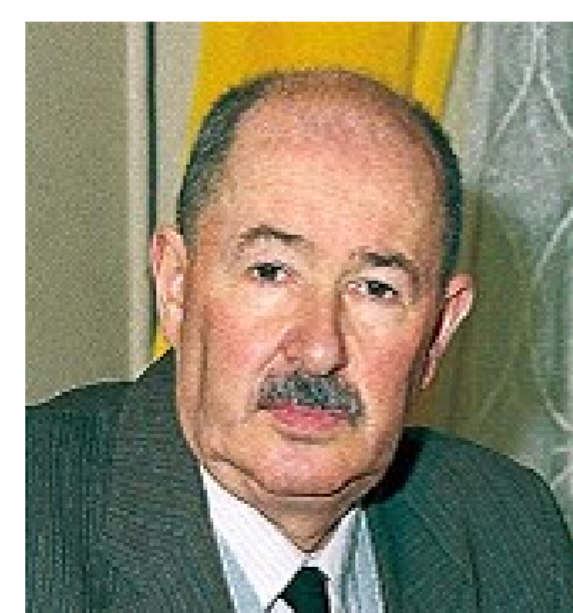


Michael Spirov Konstantinov
(Sofia 22 March 1921 - 8 April 1991)
As professor at Sofia University, he was a worldwide reputed figure in TMM for his activities (research, teaching, and organization) with first robot designs and community organization. In 1973 he started the first laboratory on Robotics. He was one of the major promoters of IFTToMM and served as the first IFTToMM Secretary General.



Jan Oderfeld
(Czestokwa 9 Feb 1908 - Warsaw 17 March 2010)
As professor at Technical University of Warsaw he was a worldwide reputed figure in TMM for his activities (research, teaching, and organization) and publication productions with an early team properly focused on TMM. His most important design can be considered the development of an early jet engine. He was one of the major promoters of IFTToMM and organizer of the 1969 TMM World Congress in Poland where IFTToMM was founded.

Main IFTToMM promoters



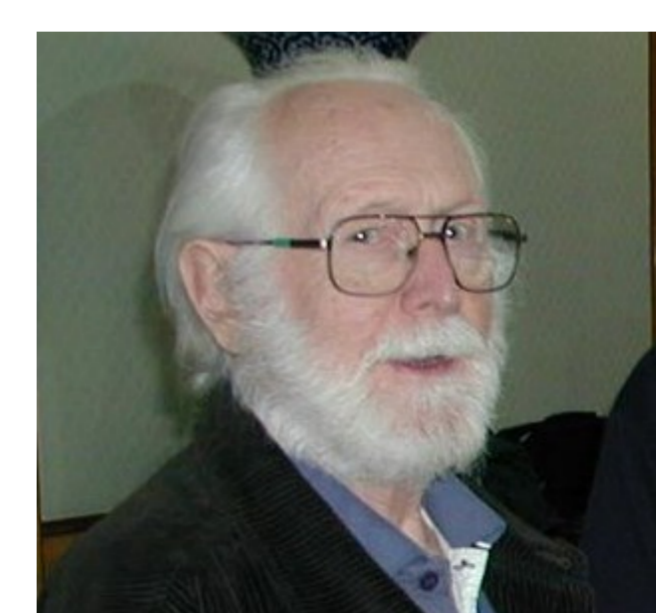
Adam Morecki
18 July 1923 – 11 Jan 2009



Giovanni Bianchi
March 11, 1924– 13 Nov 2003



Kenneth Henderson Hunt
7 June 1920 – 21 Aug 2002



Jack Raymond Phillips
18 July 1923 – 11 Jan 2009



Zdzislaw Parszewski
25 May 1924 – 16 May 1999



Nicolae Manolescu
11 April 1907 – 10 Oct 1993



Jammi S. Rao
1 July 1939 – 4 July 2020



Leonard Maunder
10 May 1927– 20 April 2019



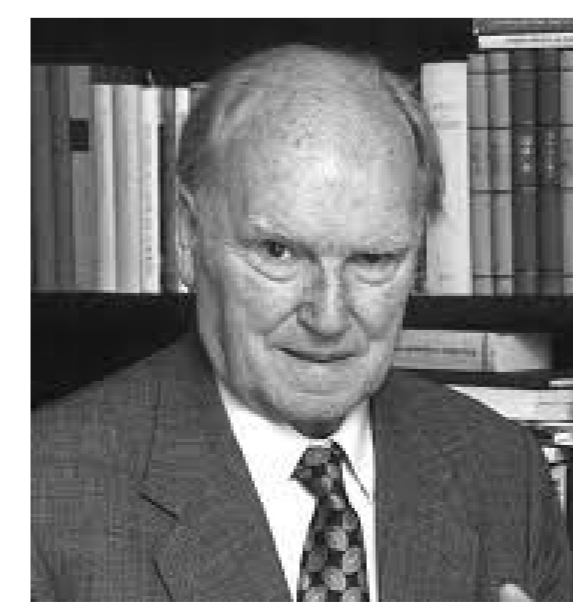
Branislav Ilic
1907-1982



Douglas Muster
2 Nov. 1918–7 Sept. 2007



Wolfgang Rossner
27 June 1914 – ????



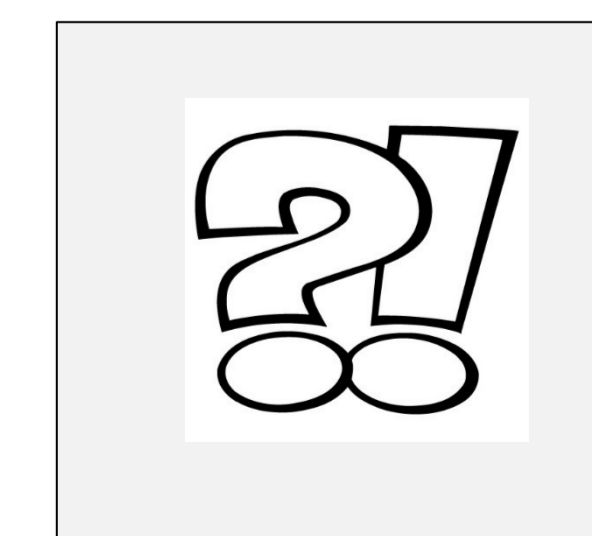
Zènò Terplàn
25 May 1921 - 16 Jan 2012



Werner Thomas
??? - ???



B. M. Belgaumkar
1909 – 1989



George Rusanov
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