

COLLOQUIUM

Georges de Rham's work and life before 1945

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Abstract: The talk will deal with the following aspects of de Rham's life and mathematics:

1. "How a duel in Strasbourg changed mathematics in Lausanne"
2. Studies in Lausanne
3. Thesis in Paris, de Rham's theorems in 1930
4. The idea of currents
5. Rotations and Reidemeister torsion
6. The war years

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