

The Department of Mathematics and the Hausdorff Center for Mathematics of the University of Bonn mourn over

## Prof. Dr. Kazumasa Kuwada

Professor of Mathematics at Tohoku University (Sendai, Japan)

On December 29, 2018, Kazumasa Kuwada passed away completely unexpectedly and far too early. He has been a visiting professor at the Hausdorff Center for Mathematics at the University of Bonn since October 2017. Previously, he was visiting Bonn for numerous research stays, e.g. from 2008 - 2010 as a postdoctoral fellow in the group of Prof. Sturm with a scholarship from JSPS.

He was a world-renowned expert in the field of probability theory, optimal mass transport and metric geometry with synthetic Ricci bounds. His name will remain associated with basic concepts for optimal coupling and for duality of transport and gradient estimates.

The colleagues in Bonn and worldwide are mourning for a great man, a good friend and a brilliant mathematician.

Our sincere condolences to his family.

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