Editor's Message: This newsletter is being published later than usual. As you know, there was a change in the ISBIS Executive Committee and Council at the ISI World Statistics Congress in Dublin in August. Please see the message below from the new President, Vijay Nair. The newsletter also includes brief biographical information about the new executive committee and council members. I'm sure all the ISBIS members join me in welcoming the new team as well as in expressing our sincere thanks to the outgoing team.

As usual, this edition of the news letter consists of a message from the President as wells as contributions from the ASMBI Editor and the y-BIS Vice-President, a list of forthcoming events, member news, etc. By all accounts, the Dublin WSC was very enjoyable. For those could not make it to Dublin, please read a summary of the activities written by former President Bovas Abraham.

I hope to receive more articles for future issues of the newsletter. These could include relevant activities related to business and industry in your region, news articles about yourself or others, etc. Please utilise this newsletter as a medium for circulating interesting information to the BIS community. You can send them to me via e-mail at **balajicusat@yahoo.com**.
    With best regards, Balakrishna.

President's Message:

Let me begin by expressing my appreciation to Yves Grize and the members of the previous executive committee and council for all they have done for ISBIS during their term. Another person who deserves special mention is Nick Fisher who had done a superb job with organizing our conferences and coordinating our scientific program over the past few years.

In terms of current activities, plans for ISBIS 2012 in Bangkok are progressing well. There was a minor delay due to the recent flooding in Thailand. An update is given in this newsletter. A small group is discussing our long-term strategic plan for the next four years. I hope to report on it in the near future. There are several challenges facing the society. We have to offer additional benefits, over and above our successful biennial conference, to members. This is also essential to attract more members to the society. Our current membership is much smaller than what we envisioned at this stage when the society was launched.

Members from different parts of the world clearly have different needs. The international nature of ISBIS and the opportunity to network with people from different parts of the world will be attractive to some. Others are likely to find workshops and regional conferences on best practices in BIS, capacity building, and mentoring to be useful. (See article at the end of this newsletter on call for mentors.) Some of these can be accomplished through our web-site or e-publications. We also need to examine how to develop relationships with existing organizations such as ENBIS (already initiated), others in North America, Latin America, Far East, South Asia, and so on. The notion of developing regional networks of ISBIS has also been suggested. Please e-mail me at vnn@umich.edu with your suggestions and interests.

In the meantime, I wish you all the best for the rest of 2011 and for the upcoming holiday season.
    Vijay Nair

The y-BIS column

Our "y-BIS Council Committee" which includes young business and industrial statisticians from all over the world is almost complete! Soon we will start to define activities to be carried out in the incoming years. If you have any suggestion for local/national activities where y-BIS may be involved, please send us your proposal.

Our main y-BIS activity in 2012 will be our first conference! This first meeting of the y-BIS will be jointly with the first meeting of the jSPE, the young statisticians of the Portuguese Statistical Society, and will take place in Lisbon, Portugal, between the 23rd and the 26th of July 2012. This meeting will aim to bring together statisticians working in academia and in industry. We intend to have well known Keynote Speakers talking about the profession of statistics as well as soft skills needed. We will also have many young professionals talking about their research and professional experiences. The program will also include Special Sessions, Contributed Talks and Contributed Posters. More details can be found at http://www.ybis-jspe.com/. I hope to see many of you in Lisboa!

To keep y-BIS growing within ISBIS and outside the Society, we need all the possible help you can provide. My request for young people is to join y-BIS and contribute as much as you can (free for full time students and very cheap if you have just finished your PhD). To more senior statisticians, I would like to ask you to spread the information about y-BIS across your students and others who may be interested.

You can find more information about y-BIS in the website http://sites.google.com/site/ybisisbis/, or by contacting me.
Paulo Canas Rodrigues (paulocanas@gmail.com), ISBIS Vice-President for y-BIS

ASBMI Update

Several interesting discussion papers have been (and will be) published in Applied Stochastic Models in Business and Industry, the official journal of ISBIS. In the May 2011 issue Kessels, Jones, Goos and Vandebroek authored a paper on "*The usefulness of Bayesian optimal designs for discrete choice experiments".* The next two issues contain papers by De Ketelaere, Mertens, Mathijs, Diaz and De Baerdemaeker on *Nonstationarity in statistical process control – issues, cases, ideas* and Kenett and Salini on *Modern Analysis of Customer Satisfaction Surveys: comparison of models and integrated analysis.*

Two ASMBI discussion sessions will be organised in two conferences later this year: in Pucon (Chile) Migon will talk about the forecast of the daily electric load curve in Brazil, whereas Sahu will present a work on environmental issues, related to industry and business, in Cochin (India). We have already planned an ASMBI presentation with discussion at the forthcoming ISBIS-2012 in Thailand: Yuh-Jye Lee will speak on some issues in cybersecurity.

I invite you to contribute a paper to the special issue on *"Statistics in Microelectronics"*, which aims to give an opportunity to statisticians and practitioners from industry and research labs to illustrate their experiences and the state of the art of statistical methodologies applied in the semiconductor industry. The full article is expected by December, 31st, 2011. If you are interested in submitting a paper, please contact the Guest Editors at
statistics.microelectronics @unicatt.it.

Last, but not least, I am glad to inform you that the recently released 2010 impact factors show another increase for ASMBI. In 2 years the journal has jumped from 0.35 to 0.83: another reason to submit your best papers to ASMBI!

Fabrizio Ruggeri, ASMBI Editor-in-Chief, (fabrizio@mi.imati.cnr.it)

Update on ISBIS 2012, June 17-21, Bangkok, Thailand

ISBIS 2012 will be held at the Shagri La Hotel in Bangkok. It is hosted by the Department of Statistics at the Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok. The technical program will consist of plenary, invited and contributed presentations. A preliminary list of plenary and invited presentations is given below. Call for contributed presentations will be sent out very soon. In addition, there will be three workshops: two half-day workshops on Sunday June 17 and a full-day workshop on Thursday June 21. The half-day workshops are on `Data Mining and Business Analytics' by David Banks and 'How to succeed in Statistical Careers -- Tips for Young Statisticians' (presenters to be determined). The Thursday workshop is on `Analysis of Complex Survey Data' by Steve Heeringa of the University of Michigan.

There will be a reception for all participants on Monday evening and a dinner cruise including a cultural show on Tuesday evening. Registration and hotel information will be posted on the website http://www.isbis2012-thailand.org/ by the end of November.

Tentative Invited Program:

Plenary Sessions:

1. Jae C. Lee, President of the International Statistical Institute, *Statistics in the International Arena*

2. Sastry Pantula, Director, Division of Mathematical Sciences, National Science Foundation, USA *Statistical, Mathematical and Computational Sciences (SMACS): Invisible Sciences, Impeccable Impact!*

3. Deepak Agarwal, Research Scientist, Yahoo! *Computational Advertising*

Invited Sessions and Organizers:

- Cybersecurity (with discussion): Fabrizio Rugerri, ASMBI Session
- Large-Scale Simulation and Experiments: Jack Kalbfleisch
- Applications of Mixture Models: Geoff McLachlan
- Advanced Statistical Modeling for Complex Systems: Judy Jin
- Risk Elicitation: Sourish Das
- Meta-Analysis and Rare Events: Regina Liu
- Energy Statistics, Pilar Munoz
- Using Statistical Engineering to Address Large, Unstructured Problems: Roger Hoerl
- Reliability: Bill Meeker
- Computer Experiments: Roshan Vengazhiyil
- Recent Advanced in Design and Analysis of Computer Experiments: Peter Qian
- Manufacturing Process Modeling, Monitoring and Control: Jan Shi; and Ran Jin
- Recent Advances in Statistical Quality Techniques: Fugee Tsung
- Statistical Models for Transportation and Logistics Data: Francesco Mola,
- Statistical Modeling in the Environmental Sciences: Galit Shmueli
- High-Dimensional Data Analysis: Ejaz Ahmed
- Statistical Issues in Finance and Insurance: Nalini Ravishankar
- Business Surveys: Balgobin Nandram
- Fuzzy Methods in Business and Industry: Reinhard Viertl
- High Dimensionality and Low-Rank Approximations: Paulo Canas Rodrigues, y-BIS Session
- Bayesian Statistics and Econometrics with Business Applications: Nuttanan Wichitaksorn, y-BIS session
- Young Statisticians Session: Eric Laber
- Before, After and Now: Time Series Applications in Business, Chaitra Nagaraja, IISA session
- Recent Advances in Time Series Modeling : Wai Keung Li: ICSA session
- ENBIS session (title TBA)

Update from ENBIS, the European Network for Business and Industrial Statistics

ENBIS-11, the 11th Annual Conference of the European Network for Business and Industrial Statistics, took place in Coimbra (Portugal) during the first week of September. Over 160 participants discussed a wide range of statistics applications from industry, manufacturing, public administration, marketing, sales, risk management, logistics and business services.

The conference featured several distinguished keynote speakers. Blanton Godfrey gave a talk on Six Sigma in healthcare. Peter Gloor addressed the issue of collective prediction based on signals from social networks. Pedro Saraiva discussed statistical and quality reasoning in unusual settings such as parliamentary decision-making processes.

The conference participants also enjoyed the speech given by this year's Box Medalist, Henry Wynn. The Box Medal is named after George Box and awarded annually to an extraordinary statistician who, with his or her life work, contributed remarkably to the development and the application of statistical methods in European business and industry.

The conference also featured the ENBIS Session, a special focus session introduced at ENBIS-10 in Antwerp (Belgium) in honour of one of the founding fathers of ENBIS, Søren Bisgaard. The 2011 ENBIS Session was dedicated to discussion of business and industrial statistics in France.

The 12th Annual Conference of ENBIS will take place at the Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana (Slovenia) from 9th to 13th September, 2012. Mark the dates!

Submitted by Irena Ograjenšek, Past President of ENBIS (2011-2013) & Chair of ENBIS-12 Organisation Committee

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Collaboration between ISBIS and ENBIS

The 11th annual meeting of the European Network for Business and Industrial Statistics (ENBIS) was held in Coimbra, Portugal, between the 4th and the 8 th of September 2011. To put in practice the plan where we intend to collaborate with ISBIS, one ISBIS Invited Paper Session was organized in this meeting: ISBIS Session at ENBIS-11: "Designs of Experiments and Applications". This Session was organized by Paulo Canas Rodrigues and included the following speakers: Zulema Lopes Pereira (Nova University of Lisbon, Portugal) spoke about "Design of Experiments in Practice"; Teresa Oliveira (Universidade Aberta, Portugal) spoke about "Experimental Design: BIBD and PBIBD applications and links"; and Chris Marley (University of Southampton, UK) spoke about "Using automated adaptive experimentation to achieve constrained optimisation".

ISBIS sponsored session at ISPS Conference, Cochin, India

Nalini Ravishanker from the University of Connecticut, will organize a discussion session on behalf of ISBIS at the *XXXI Annual Convention of* Indian Society for Probability and Statistics (ISPS) & International Conference on Statistics, Probability and Related *Areas* during December 19-22, 2011 Organized by Department of Statistics, Cochin University of Science and Technology. The speakers in the session are Sujit K. Sahu, University of Southampton, Ashis Sengupta, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata and Debasis Kundu, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur.

TIES 2012

The 22nd annual conference of International Environmetric Society (TIES) will be held at the CRRAO Advanced Institute for Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Sciences (AIMSCS) (jointly with the University of Hyderabad) during 3-6, January, 2012. The goal of the conference is to bring environmental scientists and statisticians and other scientists together to discuss important problems, such as the impact of Environment on health), pollution, toxic hazards, statistical analysis of environmental data, trend analysis, etc. Many distinguished statisticians and environmental scientists have agreed to participate. Selected papers (after review) will appear in the Journal of Environmental Statistics.

World Statistics Congress in Dublin

The ISI World Statistics Congress (WSC) was held in Dublin, Ireland (August 21-26, 2011). It was in the new beautiful convention centre on the banks of River Liffey. With around 2000 delegates participating the convention centre was a busy place with many parallel sessions going at the same time. In addition to the scientific contributions the participants were also able to socialise with many friends from around the world and enjoy some Irish music and other cultural aspects of Ireland.
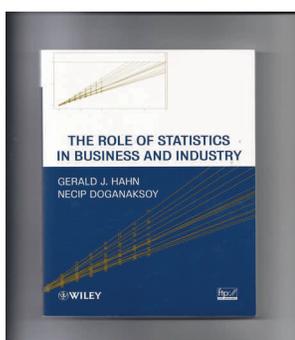
ISBIS organized invited sessions in several areas such as health engineering, computer experiments, reliability, social network analysis, water resources etc. A unique feature of WSC this time was the Water Theme Day on Wednesday August 24th. ISBIS participated in this as well. There were other contributed sessions with industry, business, and finance themes. I was very impressed with the general organization of the congress which was very carefully planned and well executed. I had the opportunity to participate in some youth as well as plenary presentations which were very lively and engaging.

Dublin is a very fascinating city with a lot of history and with many interesting things to see and do. A Dublin attraction which has a 'connection' to Statistics is the Guinness Brewery. I was fortunate to visit this esting historical place where William Sealy Gosset (a name familiar to all statisticians) once worked. Gosset who wrote under the pseudonymn of 'Student' was the inventor of the Student's t-distribution and was one of the early industrial statisticians. He is listed among the scientists in the brewery. I also took the opportunity to visit Trinity College and the very famous Book of Kells which contains the four Gospels in Latin and may have been the works of monks from Iona. The people who copied the texts enhanced their calligraphy with intricate spirals, human figures and animals. Trinity College also has the 'old books long room' where more than 200,000 ancients books and manuscripts are kept. It is difficult to describe the feeling standing in that very long room with very high ceiling and with rows of ancients books from floor to ceiling.

Thus the WSC 2011 gave me the opportunity to participate in a very informative international conference and to enjoy some aspects of the history and culture of Dublin and the surroundings.

Bovas Abraham, University of waterloo

Book Authored by ISBIS Members Gerald Hahn and Necip Doganoksoy

Gerald (Gerry) Hahn and Necip Doganaksoy are authors of a book, just published by Wiley, on *A Career in Statistics: Beyond the Numbers*. Contributing authors are Carol Joyce Blumberg, Lenny Gaines, Lynne Hare, Bill Meeker and Josef Schmee. The book helps readers decide whether a career in statistics is for them, provides guidance on how to prepare for such a career, and shows how to succeed on the job.

Hahn and Doganaksoy's 2008 Wiley companion book on *The Role of Statistics in Business and Industry* has just won the Ziegel Prize for the best book reviewed in *Technometrics* in 2010.

ISBIS Member News

D.S. Hooda from Jaypee Univesity of Engineering and Technology, Guna (India) has been nominated for Distinguished Service Award of Vijnana Parishad of India. The award was bestowed on him at 15th annual conference of VPI to be held at DAV College, Kanpur (UP) from Nov. 4 to 6, 2011. This is his second academic award, the first one was awarded by Indian Society of Information Theory and Applications in 2005 for his outstanding contribution to development and research in Information.

Brief Biographical Information

ISBIS Executive Committee and Council (2011-2013)

Executive Committee:

President: Vijay Nair (USA/Malaysia)

Vijay is Donald A. Darling Professor of Statistics and Professor of Industrial & Operations Engineering at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA. He was Chair of the Statistics Depa- -rtment at the University of Michigan from 1998-2010. Prior to joining Michigan, he was a Research Scientist for 15 years at Bell Labs in New Jersey,USA.Vijay has been involved extensively with the ISBIS and its predecessor, the ISI Comm- -ittee on Industrial Statistics (CIS). He chaired CIS from 1995-99. He also has extensive experience with the ISI and has served in several capacities: Council Member (1993-97); Joint-editor of the *International Statistical Review* (1996-99); Vice President (2007-11); Co-editor-in-Chief of the International Statistical Review (2010-present), and President-elect (2011-13). His research interests include, among other things, industrial and engineering statistics. He also has considerable practical experience in telecommunications, automotive, and electronics industries. Vijay is originally from Malaysia.

President-elect: Vincenzo Esposito Vinzi(France/Italy)

Vincenzo is Professor of Statistics and Chair of the Information Systems and Decision Sciences Department at the ESSEC Business Scho- ol of Paris. He has extensive experience with ISBIS. He is also a member of the Council of ISI and Chair-Elect of the European Section of the IASC. He is associate editor of *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, *Computational Statistics*, *Advances in Data Analysis and Classification*, and *Statistical Methods and Applications*. Since 2001, he has been chairing a series of International Conferences on PLS and related methods and has co-edited several confe -rence proceedings and special issues of international journals on PLS methods. Vincenzo's research interests focus on methodological developments in multivariate statistics, including factorial methods for dimensionality reduction and classification, structural equation modeling, Partial Least Squares regression and path modeling for the study of causal networks between latent concepts and the analysis of multi-block data.

Vice President for Membership and Outreach: Werner G. Mueller (Austria)

Werner is Professor in and Head of the Department of Applied Statistics at the Johannes-Kepler-University in Linz, Austria. His research interests include experimental design, spatial statistics and econometrics. He has published in *Biometrika, Environmetrics, Test*, etc. and is author of the monograph "Collecting Spatial Data". He is one of the editors of Statistical Papers. He is an elected member of the ISI and since 2009 serves as Vice President of the Austrian Statistical Association. Prior to joining the JKU Linz, he worked as assistant and associate professor at several universities, but mainly at the University of Economics of Vienna. He obtained his doctorate in statistics from the University of Vienna in 1991. Werner has served as Editor of the *ISBIS Newsletter* and an ex-officio member of the ISBIS Council.

Vice President for Scientific Program: David Banks (USA)

David is Professor in the Department of Statistical Science at Duke University in USA. He does research in risk analysis, data mining, and network modeling, and is interested in statistical problems that arise in business analytics, especially computational advertising and recommender systems. He is a former editor of the *Journal of the American Statistical Association* (ASA) and past-chair of the ASA Risk Section and the ASA Section on Statistics in Defense and National Security. He has worked in the Center for Biologics Research at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Prior to his federal service, he worked at Carnegie Mellon University, the University of Cambridge, and the University of California at Berkeley.

Vice President for Communications: S. Ejaz Ahmed (Canada/Pakistan)

Ejaz Ejaz is Professor in and Head of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics at the University of Windsor in Canada. He is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association, an elected member of the International Statistical Institute, and is Book Review Editor of Technometrics. He also serves as an associate editor for several international statistical journals, including *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, *Statistics & Probability Letters* and the *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*. He has served as a director and chair of the education committee of the Statistical Society of Canada. He is co-author of a popular textbook on Introduction to Probability and Statistics and author of two other textbooks. His area of expertise includes statistical inference along with statistical education and consulting.

Vice President for y-BIS: Paulo Canas Rodrigues (Portugal)

Paulo is currently a PhD candidate in Statistics at Nova University of Lisbon, Portugal, and Wageningen University, The Netherlands.He is also Lecturer at WageningenUniversity,The Netherlands.He received his Master's in Statistics at Technical University of Lisbon in 2007. He has been a research visitor at Wageningen University and Research Centre, Wageningen, The Netherlands; Poznan University of Life Sciences, Poznan, Poland; Humboldt University, Berlin,Germany; and Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA. He is Chair of the Founding y-BIS Executive Committee and is the current Vice-President for y-BIS in ISBIS. He has initiated and led many activities for young statisticians in ISBIS, including programs at ISBIS 2010 in Portoroz. He is also Co-Founder of the jSPE, the Section of Young Statisticians in the Portuguese Statistical Society (2010-present)

Council:

PJ (Riaan) de Jongh (South Africa):

Riaan is the Director of the Centre for Business Mathematics and Informatics (BMI) at North-West University. The main focus of the Centre for BMI is risk/reward management and analysis. Riaan obtained his PhD from the University of Cape Town. He was previously a consultant specializing in statistical and risk related problems for more than 20 years, first at the Institute for Maritime Technology and later at Deloitte Consulting. He is a past president of the South African Statistical Association and a holder of the Sichel medal (best paper published by a member of the South African Statistical Association) and the Tom Rozwadowski medal (best paper published by a member of the Operations Research Society of South Africa). Riaan has been a member of ISBIS Council for the past two years.

Roger Hoerl (USA):

Roger is Head of the Applied Statistics Laboratory at GE Global Research. He is an elected member of ISI and of the International Academy for Quality and a Fellow of the American Statistical Association (ASA) and of the American Society for Quality (ASQ). He is a recipient of the Shewhart Medal from ASQ and the Founders Award from ASA. In 2006 he received the Coolidge Fellowship from GE Global Research, honoring one scientist a year from among the four global GE Research and Development sites for lifetime technical achievement. He used his six-month Coolidge sabbatical to study the global HIV/AIDS pandemic, spending a month traveling through Africa in 2007. Roger has authored several books, including ``*Statistical Thinking: Improving Business Performance''* jointly with Ron Snee.

Wai Keung Li (Hong Kong)

Wai Keung is Chair Professor in the Department of Statistics & Actuarial Science, University of Hong Kong. He was Head of the Department from 2006 to 2008. His fields of research include Time Series Analysis, Stochastic Analysis, Financial and Insurance Risk Management, Environmental Statistics. He has authored a book on ``Diagnostic Checks in Time Series.'' He is an elected member of ISI, a Fellow of the American Statistical Association and of the Institute for Mathematical Statistics. He has authored a book on ``Diagnostic Checks in Time Series.'' He is an elected member of ISI, a Fellow of the American Statistical Association and of the Institute for Mathematical Statistics. He

s also an Honorary Member, Hong Kong Statistical Society. He has received the Outstanding Service Award, International Chinese Statistical Association. He is currently an Associate Editor for ASMBI, the official journal of ISBIS.

M. Pilar Muñoz (Spain):

Pilar is an Associate Professor of Statistics in the Department of Statistics and Operations Research, UniversitatPolitécnica de Catalunya (UPC). She has a Ph. D. in Computer Science from the UPC (1988). Her research interests include time series analysis, computational statistics, statistical models in epidemiology, computer-assisted instruction for statistics, and applications in Energy Markets. She has been a consultant to the Regional Government Public Health Agencies of Catalonia, the Metropolitan Transports of Barcelona (TMB) and to the Regional Government Traffic Department of Catalonia. She was Deputy Director of the Statistics and Operations Research Department (UPC) from 2005 to the present. Pilar has been an elected member of the Inter-national Statistical Institute (2004) and member of ISBIS since 2007.

P. G. Sankaran (India):

Sankaran is Associate Professor in the Department of Statistics at Cochin University of Science and Technology, India. He has been Director of the Center for Population Studies at Cochin University since 2002. His research interests include Survival Analysis, Reliability Analysis, and Distribution Theory. He received his PhD from Cochin University of Science and Technology. He has held visiting positions at the Indian Statistical Institute, University of Waterloo, and Dalhousie University. He is the organizer of an international conference in Statistics and Probability and Related Areas in December 2011 in Cochin. He is an elected member of ISI and received the Young Researcher Award from the International Indian Statisti -cal Association in 2010. Sankaran has been a member of ISBIS Council for the past two years.

Martina Vandebroek (Belgium):

Martina is Professor at the Faculty of Business and Economics at the KULeuven in Belgium where she is Head of the Department on Decision Sciences & Inform- -ation Management. She is also affiliated with the Leuven Statistics Research Centre. Her research deals mainly with optimal design of experiments. Currently she focuses on the design of discrete choice experiments, and on related segmentation and computational issues. She has published in *Marketing Science, Management science, Journal of Quality Technology,Technometrics*, etc. She is also a member of ENBIS and a former president of bENBIS, the Belgian branch of this European Network. She is currently Associate Editor of ASMBI, the official journal of ISBIS.

RománViveros-Aguilera (Canada):

Román is Professor of Statistics for the Department of Mathematics and Statistics at McMaster's University in Canada. He received his MSc from the Center for Research and Advanced Studies in Mexico and his PhD from the University of Waterloo. His interests include industrial statistics, reliability, and quality control methods. He has served as coordinator of McMaster's Graduate Program in Statistics for over three years. He has served the Statistical Society of Canada (SSC) in various capacities: member of the Board of Directors; editor of its news letter Liaison; cofounder, secretary and President of the Society's Business and Industrial Statistics Section; and more recently as President of SSC. He has been awarded the Pierre Robillard Award from the Statistical Society of Canada for outstanding PhD thesis and the McMaster Student Union Teaching Award.

Sergio Yáñez (Colombia):

Sergio has been an Associate Professor in the School of Statistics at the Colombia National University (Medellin Branch) since 1984. He was Director of the School of Statistics from 2001-2008. His areas of interest include Industrial Statistics, Reliability, and Quality Control. Sergio has been a leader in the development in Industrial Statistics in Colombia through his applied and research work. Sergio has been an active member of the Inter American Statistical Institute (IASI) and has played a key role in promoting industrial statistics in Colombia. He has been an elected member of ISI since 2005 and received the Annual Research Award from the University of Antioquia in 1993. He has been a member of the Scientific Committee of Revista Colombiana de Estadística from 2000 to present.

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Call for Mentors

The International Statistical Institute and the Bernoulli Society have launched a new international web-based mentoring programme for Ph.D students in statistics and probability at universities in developing countries. Ph.D students enroll the programme through the internet and are put in contact with volunteer senior statisticians. The programme is based in Norway. See http://statmentoring.nr.no to find out more on how the programme works.

We are looking for volunteer mentors! Senior statistician can enroll at:
http://statmentoring.nr.no/statmentoring/index.php/Mentor_form.

Best regards

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