

PAST IASE CONFERENCES

ISI-57

THE 2009 SESSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL STATISTICAL INSTITUTE Durban, South Africa, August 16 – 22, 2009

Abstracts, papers and author details from the 57th Session of the International Statistical Institute are now available. Visit the conference website <http://www.statssa.gov.za/isi2009/> and select “Scientific Programme” tab to view according to the different categories of presentations: IPMs, CPMs and STCPMs.

SRTL-6

THE SIXTH INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH FORUM ON STATISTICAL REASONING, THINKING, AND LITERACY The Role of Context and Evidence in Informal Inferential Reasoning Brisbane, Australia, July 10 – 16, 2009



The Sixth Forum of the International Collaboration for Research on Statistical

Reasoning Thinking and Literacy was held at The University of Queensland July 10 – 16, 2009. The theme of this Forum was The Role of Context and Evidence in Informal Inferential Reasoning. Twenty-two international delegates attended the week-long event from six countries across the globe: Australia, England, Israel, the Netherlands, New Zealand, and the United States. The Forum provided the group of scholars with an opportunity for dedicated discussion and debate of the theme, stimulated by in-depth presentations, poster presentations, and informal sharing of projects. Follow-up events include work underway on the 2011 Special Issue of *Mathematical Thinking and Learning* on “The Role of Context in Developing Students’ Reasoning about Informal Statistical Inference,” formal and informal gatherings at other upcoming Statistics Education meetings (e.g., ISI, ICOTS, etc.), and ongoing research collaborations among many of the delegates. Plans are already underway for the next meeting (SRTL-7) in 2011.

For more information, visit the SRTL website at:
<http://srtl.stat.auckland.ac.nz/> or email: SRTL2009@gmail.com.

OTHER PAST CONFERENCES

USCOTS 2009
UNITED STATES CONFERENCE ON TEACHING STATISTICS
“LETTING GO TO GROW”
Columbus, OH, USA, June 25 – 27, 2009

Presentations of the third biennial United States Conference on Teaching Statistics (USCOTS 09) are available at USCOTS web page: <http://www.causeweb.org/uscots>

INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO TURN STATISTICS INTO KNOWLEDGE
Washington, D.C., USA, July 15 – 16, 2009

Presentations are available at: <http://www.oecd.org/progress/ict/statknowledge>

10TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE MATHEMATICS
EDUCATION INTO THE 21ST CENTURY PROJECT
MODELS IN DEVELOPING MATHEMATICS EDUCATION
Dresden, Saxony, Germany, September 11 – 17, 2009

From the Foreword to the proceedings: ... Not all papers are about research in mathematics education, a number of them report on innovative experiences in the classroom and on new technology. We believe that “mathematics education” is fundamentally a “practicum” and in order to be “successful” all new materials, new ideas, and new research must be tested and implemented in the classroom, the real “chalk face” of our discipline, and of our profession as mathematics educators....

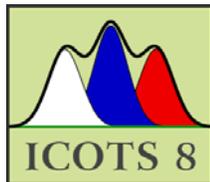
Proceedings and presented papers are available at the project website:
<http://math.unipa.it/~grim/21project.htm>

2009 JOINT STATISTICAL MEETINGS
Washington, D.C., USA, August 1 – 6, 2009

Information about the program and presentations is available at meeting website:
<http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2009/>

FORTHCOMING IASE CONFERENCES

ICOTS-8 DATA AND CONTEXT IN STATISTICS EDUCATION: TOWARDS AN EVIDENCE-BASED SOCIETY Ljubljana, Slovenia, July 11 – 16, 2010



Planning for ICOTS-8 to be held in historic Ljubljana, Slovenia July 11 – 16, 2010 is at an advanced stage. The second circular was released in November and can be found on the conference website: <http://icots8.org>. The website contains registration, accommodation, and tour details along with a link to the Convention Centre in Ljubljana where registration and accommodation requests are being processed.

A full programme of 250 invited papers has been developed. These include Plenary papers by Hans Rosling (Karolinska Institutet, Sweden), Gerd Gigerenzer (Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin), Cliff Konold (University of Massachusetts), Jessica Utts (University of California), and Anuska Ferligoj (University of Ljubljana). A new feature is a plenary session of debates on topical and controversial statistical issues organised by Chris Wild with title “The great debates of ICOTS-8.”

It is still possible to submit Contributed papers for ICOTS-8. These should be submitted by January 15, 2010 to one of the convenors: Gilberte Schuyten (gilberte.schuyten@ugent.be), Flavia Jolliffe (F.Jolliffe@kent.ac.uk) or John McKenzie (mckenzie@babson.edu). Guidelines for the preparation of papers are on the website.

Poster presentations can be submitted to the poster coordinators Mojca Bavdaz (mojca.bavdaz@ef.uni-lj.si) and Alesa Lotric Dolinar (alesa.lotric.dolinar@ef.uni-lj.si). Guidelines for the preparation of posters are on the website.

Conference website: <http://icots8.org>

SRTL-7 THE SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH FORUM ON STATISTICAL REASONING, THINKING, AND LITERACY Reasoning about Samples and Sampling in the Context of Making Inferences Texel, the Netherlands, July 17 – 23, 2011

The seventh in a series of International Research Forums on Statistical Reasoning, Thinking, and Literacy (SRTL-7) is to be held at Texel, the Netherlands from July 17 – 23, 2011. The Freudenthal Institute, Utrecht University, will host the Forum. Recent research suggests an important role for developing ideas of informal types of statistical inference even at early educational levels. The Forum’s focus on students’ reasoning about sampling will build on the work presented and discussed at SRTL-5 and SRTL-6 on informal ideas of statistical inference. The Forum is co-chaired by Dani Ben-Zvi (University of Haifa, Israel) and Joan Garfield (University of Minnesota, USA), locally organized by Arthur Bakker (Utrecht University, NL), and planned by a prestigious international advisory committee. Conference attendance is by invitation only.

For more information, visit the SRTL website at:

<http://srtl.stat.auckland.ac.nz/> or email a.bakker@fi.uu.nl

ISI-58
THE 2011 SESSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL STATISTICAL INSTITUTE
Dublin, August 21 - 26, 2011



The Programme Coordinating Committee for the 58th ISI Session has begun planning and is seeking input from ISI and Section members.

We are seeking to make the Scientific Programme attractive, exciting, and valuable for the statistical community. We will do this through the selection of topics for individual conference sessions and by identifying links among the sessions. It has already been agreed, for example, that there will be a Theme Day on the topic of “Water, Quantity and Quality,” which is of interest, in different ways, to each ISI Section. We are also considering other innovations to make the programme more attractive. We are

particularly emphasising:

- Increasing communication and collaboration among specialists from different ISI Sections.
- Increasing the diversity of the meeting by ensuring that more leading roles (organizers and speakers) are taken by people from across the world, particularly developing countries, as well as by more female “early career” statisticians.
- Ensuring that each part of the ISI informs a wider audience than just specialists in selected topics.
- Engaging with the broader community to increase the influence of statistics on significant world, national, and scientific issues.

You are invited to provide suggestions for innovations to the Scientific Programme and topics for invited paper sessions to the Programme Coordinating Committee by sending them to:

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Patrick Murphy (patrick.murphy@ucd.ie) is representing IASE.

OTHER FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

**11TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE MATHEMATICS
EDUCATION INTO THE 21ST CENTURY PROJECT:
Turning Dreams into Reality: Transformations and Paradigm Shifts
in Mathematics Education
Grahamstown, South Africa, September 10 – 16, 2011**



The Mathematics Education into the 21st Century Project has just completed its tenth successful international conference in Dresden, Germany, following conferences in Egypt, Jordan, Poland, Australia, Sicily, Czech Republic, Malaysia and the USA. Our project was founded in 1986 and is dedicated to the planning, writing and disseminating of innovative ideas and materials in Mathematics, Statistics, Science and Computer Education. The next conference is planned for September 10 – 16, 2011 in Grahamstown, South Africa. The chairman of the Local Organising Committee is Professor Marc Schafer of Rhodes University. The conference will open with an evening welcome reception on Sunday, September 10 and will close with lunch on Saturday, September 16. Major sponsors will include Autograph.

The title of the conference is “Turning Dreams into Reality: Transformations and Paradigm Shifts in Mathematics Education.” Paper proposals are now invited on all innovative aspects of mathematics, statistics, science, and computer education. Our conferences are renowned for their friendly and productive working atmosphere. They are attended by innovative teachers and mathematics educators from all over the world, 44 countries were represented at our last conference for example.

For further conference details, please email Alan Rogerson (alan@rogerson.pol.pl), Chairman of the International Programme Committee.