Editor's Preface


Besides advancing statistics education with presentation of its development, experiences, and assessments, the conference advanced the diversity of language of communication. For the first time, IASE Proceedings includes papers written in three languages, allowing for a broader participation and more diverse perspectives. The Proceedings consists of 87 international contributions, including keynotes, workshops, contribute papers, and posters.

Referee Process An optional double-blind referee process was available to authors. A total of 127 requests to participate as a referee were sent out (65 in English language, 37 in Portuguese language; and 25 in Spanish language) and 64% responded positively, agreeing to referee 1-2 papers. Each of the 63 author teams that elected to participate in the optional referee system had their paper read by 2-3 referees, with a 52% success rate of being accepted as a refereed paper (lower than ICOTS conferences). Authors were given a small window to improve their final papers based on this feedback and most took advantage of the opportunity to do so. The list of 81 referees appears at the end of this document and if you know any of them, please give them a hardy “thank you” or “gracias” or “obrigado” for their contribution to enhance the quality of papers at the conference.

As the Editor of the Proceedings, I am extremely thankful and honored for this opportunity. Working with authors from 30 countries in three different languages has been one of the most exciting and rewarding experiences!

Cordialmente,

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