

International Chinese Statistical Association

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ICSA Member News December 2012

NEWS FOR ICSA

ICSA Executive Committee and Board of Directors would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season!

ICSA is proud to participate in the celebration of the International Year of Statistics 2013, a worldwide celebration of the contributions of statistical science to the advancement of our global society.

(<http://www.statistics2013.org/>)

*ICSA Meeting and Announcement

**ICSA 2013 Applied Statistics Symposium / ISBS
International Symposium on Biopharmaceutical
Statistics Joint Conference**

The 22nd Annual ICSA Applied Statistical Symposium and the 3rd ISBS International Symposium on Biopharmaceutical Statistics will be held jointly from Sunday, June 9 to Wednesday, June 12, 2013, at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Road, Bethesda, Maryland, USA. We envision that this joint meeting will allow us to attract industrial statisticians and many international statisticians as well as statisticians working in government and academia.

Keynote speakers include Prof. Marie Davidian, North Carolina State University and the 2013 President of the American Statistical Association (ASA); Dr. Nancy Geller, Director of Office of Biostatistics Research, National Heart Lung and Blood Institute, and past President of the American Statistical Association (ASA); Dr. Rob Hemmings, Statistics Unit Head at the UK Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency and Chair of the Scientific Advice Working Party (SAWP); Dr. Lisa LaVange, Director of Office of Biostatistics, CDER, Food and Drug Administration. We are also delighted to confirm Prof. Xiao-Li Meng, Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Harvard University as the conference banquet speaker.

In addition, there will be short courses, invited sessions and contributed sessions. Details will be announced on our website <http://www.icsa.org/2013/> and <http://www.isbiostat.org/main/>.

We at ICSA and ISBS join the strengths and efforts to make this conference a unique and memorable learning experience. We sincerely welcome all ICSA and ISBS members, and all people interested in application of statistics to participate, organize invited sessions, submit papers to the contributed sessions, and provide suggestions. The executive committee welcomes suggestions and help from all interested members. Questions and suggestions can be addressed to Aiyi Liu at liua@mail.nih.gov or Mark Chang at mchang@amagpharma.com.

The Call for Invited Session Proposals

The theme of this ICSA/ISBS Joint Conference is Globalization of Statistical Applications, in recognition of the International Year of Statistics 2013.

The Program Committee is now soliciting proposals for invited paper sessions for the conference. The submission deadline for formal invited session (both oral and poster) proposals is February 1, 2013. Proposals reflecting the theme of the conference are particularly encouraged. Invited sessions will be selected by the Program Committee from those submitted.

Invited sessions typically have 4 speakers (25 minutes each) or 4 speakers plus a discussant (20 minutes each). To submit a formal invited session proposal, please go to the web link <http://www.icsa.org/a/s.jsp?d=1198046672> and follow the instructions.

The formal proposal should include the following information:

1. Session title
2. Brief (1-2 paragraphs) description of session
3. Organizer name, affiliation, telephone, and e-mail address
4. Session chair name, affiliation, telephone, and e-mail address
5. Speaker information
 1. Name, affiliation, and e-mail/telephone
 2. Talk title
 3. Indication of whether the speaker has agreed to attend the conference if session is selected
 4. Indication of any conflicts the speaker might have with meeting dates

6. Preferred order of presentations

7. If not selected, whether the session can be moved to invited poster sessions. For more information, visit the ICSA website at <http://www.icsa.org/2013/>

2013 ICSA International Conference

The 9th triennial International Conference of the International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA) will be held at the Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong from Dec 20-23, 2013. The conference is also co-sponsored by the American Statistical Association (ASA), the Chinese Association of Applied Statistics (CAAS), the Chinese Society of Probability and Statistics (CSPS), the Hong Kong Statistical Society (HKSS), the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS), the International Society for Bayesian Analysis (ISBA), and the Royal Statistical Society (RSS). The Program Chairs are Jiqian Fang (fangjq@mail.sysu.edu.cn), Ji Zhu (jizhu@umich.edu) and Lixing Zhu (lzhu@math.hkbu.edu.hk). Please refer to the conference website <http://www.math.hkbu.edu.hk/ICSA2013/> for more details.

***Awards and News**

Call for topic-contributed session proposal for JSM 2013

Topic-Contributed session proposal submission for JSM 2013 is open.

While well-organized and interesting sessions are encouraged, session space is limited and ICSA will only directly sponsor two topic-contributed sessions. The organizing committee of JSM will be accepting Topic-Contributed session proposals from December 3, 2012 - January 15, 2013. Once accepted, the abstracts of accepted session will be submitted no later than February 4, 2013.

For further information on this process, please visit the JSM 2013 conference website by clicking on the following link:<http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2013/topiccontributed.cfm> or contact Lu Tian, ICSA representative to 2013 JSM Program Committee, at lutian@stanford.edu

Video Competitions for Early Career Statisticians

In conjunction with the aims of the International Year of Statistics and Mathematics of Planet Earth, we invite all early-career statisticians (studying, or within 5 years of graduation) to produce a short (3-5 minute) video for the ABS YSC2013 Video Competition, or a static infographic for the ABS YSC2013 Infographic Competition. Both competitions have a 1st prize of \$500, and 2nd prize of \$250.

Entries close 16th November, and winners will be notified by mid-December.

Details available at: ysc2013.com/program/competitions/

The 4th IMS-China International Conference:

The IMS-China International Conferences promote communications and collaborations between the researchers in China and those from other parts of the world. The 1st to 3rd conferences in this series were successfully held in Hangzhou, Weihai and Xi'an, China, respectively.

We are pleased to announce the 4th IMS-China International Conference on Statistics and Probability 2013 to be held in Chengdu, China from June 30 – July 4, 2013. The scientific program of this conference will cover a wide range of topics in probability, statistics and their related areas, focusing on recent developments and the state of the art in a variety of modern research topics and in applications. It will provide an excellent forum for scientific communications and collaborations for the researchers. For more information, you may contact the scientific program chair: Runze Li (rli@stat.psu.edu). Please check the conference website: <http://imscn2013.swufe.edu.cn> for updated information.

*ICSA Co-Sponsored Publications

ICSA Members Submit your work to Statistics in Biosciences

Recently we convened a very successful editorial board meeting for Statistics in Biosciences(SIBS) at JSM in San Diego. The journal is growing and now is under consideration for inclusion and indexing in ISI(Web of Knowledge) and PubMed. We have also recently published special issues on the cutting-edge areas of comparative effectiveness and network analysis. The number of author initiated submissions has increased rapidly. A special issue on next generation sequencing data analysis is underway. SIBS will have invited sessions at the 2013 ENAR, Joint Statistical Meetings, and 2013 International Conference of ICSA.

We encourage all ICSA Members who do research in the biosciences to consider submitting their scientific papers and review articles to SIBS.

Statistics in Biosciences is published twice a year in print and electronic form. It aims at the development and application of statistical methods and their interface with other quantitative methods, such as computational and mathematical methods, in biological and life science, health science, and biopharmaceutical and biotechnological science.

A link for submitting your article to SIBS online is below.

Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to reviewing your submissions in the future.

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<http://www.editorialmanager.com/sibs/>

<http://www.springer.com/statistics/life+sciences%2C+medicine+%26+health>

[h/journal/12561?changeHeader](http://www.intlpress.com/SII/SII-BrowseJournal.php)

Statistics and Its Interface

Statistics and Its Interface is an international statistical journal promoting the interface between statistics and other disciplines including, but not limited to, biomedical sciences, geosciences, computer sciences, engineering, and social and behavioral sciences. The journal publishes high-quality articles in broad areas of statistical science, emphasizing substantive problems, sound statistical models and methods, clear and efficient computational algorithms, and insightful discussions of the motivating problems. Visit SII's web page at <http://www.intlpress.com/SII/SII-BrowseJournal.php> for more information.

International Press and Tsinghua University Mathematical Science Center are pleased to announce open online access (free of charge) to the journal *Statistics and Its Interface* (SII) which includes five volumes.

Now in its fifth volume, the journal, edited by Yale University professor of biostatistics Heping Zhang, publishes high-quality articles dealing with broad areas of statistical science, and emphasizing substantive problems, sound statistical models and methods, clear and efficient computational algorithms, and insightful discussions of the motivating problems. SII is currently indexed by MathSciNet, Zentralblatt MATH and Science Citation Index Expanded.

Among SII's publications are numerous special issues, including: "Financial Engineering and Risk Management" (Vol. 1, No. 2), "Statistics and Machine Learning" (Vol. 2, No. 3), and "Singular Spectrum Analysis" (Vol. 3, No. 3).

The latest issue, Vol. 5 No. 3 (2012), is entitled "Empirical Likelihood" and guest edited by Liang Peng.

SII is available to the public online at
<http://intlpress.com/SII>

News from Sinica

All newly accepted Statistica Sinica manuscripts can now be referred to via their DOI numbers.

Forthcoming Papers from Statistica Sinica

Forthcoming papers' information is available at <http://www3.stat.sinica.edu.tw/statistica/>. Those papers are expected to appear in Volume 23, Number 2, January 2013.

The January Issue Has Been Released!

Statistica Sinica has released the on-line version of the January issue. The newly-published articles are available for subscribers when clicking on Current Issue. ICOSA members please access those articles via the "membership only area" at <http://www.icsa.org/> . If you have any problems for subscription, please contact the editorial office through ss@stat.sinica.edu.tw.

***Job Listings**

INS Faculty Recruitment Program in Statistics

The Company Name: Shanghai Jiao Tong University

The Company Information:

Shanghai Jiao Tong University, one of the top universities in China, is undertaking a major expansion aimed at becoming one of the world's leading centers of scientific research. A major initiative of this expansion is the establishment of the Center for Statistical Sciences, initially hosted in the Institute of Natural Sciences (<http://ins.sjtu.edu.cn/>), led by world

class faculty conducting research in statistical theory and methodology, and collaborating with researchers in other disciplines, including biology, engineering, finance, management, medicine, and public health. It will also develop a rigorous education and training program for undergraduate and graduate students. The university has committed significant resources to ensure the success of this center.

The Position Title:

Appointments at all levels, from postdoctoral fellowship to Chair Professorship, are available to candidates with strong or promising academic credentials.

The Duties & Responsibilities:

We are seeking applicants in all major areas of statistical research to join our center for theoretical and methodological research. Successful candidates will also be charged to develop a vibrant and visible training program in statistics.

The Position Qualifications:

Ph.D. in Statistics, Biostatistics, or related fields.

The Salary Range: Very competitive salary.

The Benefits: Highly attractive benefits and start-up packages.

The Company Web Site: <http://ins.sjtu.edu.cn/>

The Send Application To:

Applications should consist of a curriculum vitae, a list of publications, and a summary of future research plans. Application materials should preferably be sent electronically to Ms. Hong Wei (ins@sjtu.edu.cn).

They can also be mailed to: Ms. Hong Wei

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Shanghai 200240, China.

The Email of Contact Person : Hong Wei at ins@sjtu.edu.cn

*Upcoming Workshops and Meeting

2013 IISA Conference: Statistics, Science, and Society: New Challenges and Opportunities

January 2–January 5, 2013, Chennai, India

<http://iisaconference.info/>

Young Statisticians Conference 2013

February 7–February 8, 2013, Melbourne, Australia

[Melbourne, Australia](#)

SAMSI-NCAR Workshop on Massive Datasets in Environment and Climate

February 13–February 15, 2013, Boulder, CO, USA

<http://www.samsi.info/workshop/samsincar-workshop-massive-datasets-environment-and-climate-february-13-15-2013>

SAMSI-SAVI Workshop on Environmental Statistics

March 4–March 6, 2013, Research Triangle Park, NC, USA

<http://www.samsi.info/workshop/samsi-savi-workshop-environmental-statistics-march-4-6-2013>

Conference on Advanced Statistical Methods for Underground Seismic Event Monitoring and Verification

March 7–March 8, 2013, Arlington, VA, USA

<http://stat.rutgers.edu/conferences/monitoringandverification2013>

2013 ENAR/IMS Meeting

March 10,–March 13, 2013, Orlando World Center Marriott

Resort, Orlando, FL, USA
<http://www.enar.org/meetings.cfm>

Columbia-Princeton Probability Day 2013
March 29, 2013, Princeton, NJ, USA
<http://orfe.princeton.edu/conferences/cp13/>

29th European Meeting of Statisticians
July 20–July 25, 2013, Budapest, Hungary
http://ems2013.eu/site/index.php?page=en/Abstract_submission

First Asian International Statistical Institute Satellite Meeting
on Small Area Estimation
September 1–September 4, 2013, Bangkok, Thailand
<http://www.math.sc.chula.ac.th/sae2013>

The First International Conference on Statistical Distributions
and Applications
October 10–October 12, 2013, Mt. Pleasant, MI, USA
<http://people.cst.cmich.edu/lee1c/icosda/>

The 69th Deming Conference on Applied Statistics
December 9–December 13, 2013, Atlantic City, NJ, USA
<http://demingconference.com/>