

IASS News June 2020

In this newsletter we invite you to a webinar on Covid-19 surveillance surveys and provide an update on various other matters, including upcoming conferences.

Links to more information

- The January 2020 issue of *The Survey Statistician* (TSS) is available at: http://isi-iass.org/home/wp-content/uploads/Survey_Statistician_2020_January_N81.pdf
- IASS Twitter account @iass_isi
- The IASS Executive Committee encourage members to subscribe and contribute articles to the *Statistical Journal of the International Association of Official Statistics*. Website: <https://officialstatistics.com/aims-scope>

Please feel free to send items to publish in future IASS newsletters to James Chipperfield james.chipperfield@abs.gov.au

COVID19 Surveillance Surveys

Denise Britz do Nascimento Silva, IASS President, and Gaia Bertarelli, an IASS member, have kindly agreed to collate the plans and progress on Covid-19 surveillance surveys from across the world. The idea is to then share this information widely. If you can contribute to this please contact Gaia (gaia.bertarelli@ec.unipi.it) and Denise (denisebritz@gmail.com).

Webinar - COVID19 Surveillance Surveys

The IASS EC is inviting you to attend the upcoming webinar on "PROBABILITY SURVEYS ON COVID-19 PANDEMIA AROUND THE WORLD" with a provisional date of Wednesday, 24 June 2020 at 1:00 pm (CET). This webinar aims to showcase examples of how national organizations are taking measures to collect data on COVID-19 using surveys. The moderator will be Denise Britz do Nascimento Silva (IASS President) and there will be presentations from representatives of several countries. Further information about panellists and the platform that will be used during the webinar will be reported via email (and possibly on the IASS website). The webinars are open to all. Feel free to share with anyone who might be interested. If you would like to assist, please contact one of the organisers Denise Britz do Nascimento Silva, Gaia Bertarelli, James Chipperfield or Monica Pratesi (monica.pratesi@unipi.it).

ISI World Statistics Congress 2021 Short Courses

The IASS Executive Committee plans to put proposals for short courses to the WSC 2021's Short Course Committee. The focus is on short courses that promote continuing professional development and go beyond our usual statistical capacity building.

IASS Representation

The IASS Executive Committee has appointed James Chipperfield and Danutė Krapavickaitė to the ISI's Publication Committee. Terms of reference are available via the link:

<https://www.isi-web.org/index.php/news-from-isi/117-isi-publications-committee>

Maria Giovanna Ranaili has been appointed to be the IASS representative on the WSC Short Course committee.

Conferences

Due to the corona virus pandemic some conferences have announced postponements, changes to format (from an in-person to a virtual conference) or suspended registration. Other conferences are in the process of doing so. Where this information is available, it has been noted below. This is a fast-evolving situation so, if in doubt, please check the conference website.

IASS-Supported Conferences Initially Planned for 2020 (all have been postponed)

ICES VI - The International Conference on Establishment Statistics was planned to take place on 15–18 June in New Orleans, U.S but has been postponed to 2021.

Website: <https://ww2.amstat.org/meetings/ices/2020/conferenceinfo.cfm>

SAE2020- BigSmall - Conference on Small Area Estimation was to be held on 6–8 July in Naples, Italy, with the theme "Big Data for Small Areas". Due to the corona virus pandemic, the conference will be held on 5-7 July in Naples as a satellite conference to the World Statistics Conference in 2021.

Website: <https://sae2020.org/>

Summer School on Survey Statistics 2020 was planned to be held on 24–28 August in Minsk, Belarus but it has been postponed to 2021. Details to be announced.

Website: <https://wiki.helsinki.fi/display/BNU/Events>.

11e Colloque International Francophone sur les Sondages - 11th International Francophone Conference on Surveys was planned for 13–16 October in Brussels, Belgium. It has been postponed. Details to be announced soon.

Website: <http://sondages2020.sciencesconf.org>.

Other 2020 Conferences on survey statistics and related areas (most have been postponed)

17th IAOS Conference and the 3rd ISI Regional Statistics Conference due to be held on 19-21 May 2020 in Livingstone, Zambia, has been postponed to a date to be confirmed.

Website: <https://2020-iaos-isi.zamstats.gov.zm/index.php>

12th International Conference on Transport Survey Methods was to take place on May 31 - June 5 but due to the corona virus pandemic it is currently planned for 25-30 October at the Hotel Golf Mar in Porto Novo (near Lisbon), Portugal.

Website: <https://www.isctsc2020.pt/>

Australian and New Zealand Statistical Conference was to take place on 6-10 July 2020, Gold Coast, Australia but is now postponed to 5-9 July 2021.

Website: <https://anzsc2020.com.au/>

Q2020 - 10th European Conference on Quality in Official Statistics was planned to take place on 9–12 June in Budapest, Hungary. However, the conference will no longer take place during 2020.

Website: <http://q2020.hu/>

Joint Statistical Meeting with the theme *Everyone Counts: Data for the Public Good* will take place on 1-6 August as a virtual conference.

Website: <https://ww2.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2020/index.cfm>

Women in Statistics and Data Science Conference 2020 is planned to take place on 1-3 October in Pittsburgh, USA.

Website: <https://ww2.amstat.org/meetings/wds/2020/>

BigSurv20 - Big Data Meets Survey Science was planned to be held on 4–6 November in Utrecht, Netherlands. This will likely not happen and organisers are considering a virtual conference or postponement. Website: <https://www.bigsurv20.org>

American Statistical Association Conference on Statistical Practice is planned to take place on 18-20 February 2021 in Nashville, USA.

Symposium on Data Science & Statistics is planned to take place on June 2-5, 2021 in Missouri, USA.

Website <https://ww2.amstat.org/meetings/sdss/2021/>

The Survey Research Methods Section (SRMS) of the ASA

Information on activities of the Survey Research Methods Section of the American Statistical Association (ASA) are available at:

<https://community.amstat.org/surveyresearchmethodssection/home>