



ISBIS News November 2017

ISBIS is pleased to announce the birth of its Blog Corner!

Intended to foster dynamic communication among ISBIS members through the discussion of issues within the scope of the ISBIS' areas of activity, blog entries are posted on the ISBIS website (<http://www.isbis-isi.org>), just follow the link on the home page. ISBIS members from industry, academia and government are invited to make submissions and to visit the Blog Corner regularly. Recent entries include:

- ***“To p or not to p ” – My thoughts on the ASA Symposium on Statistical Inference.***
By Ron S. Kenett, KPA Group, Samuel Neaman Institute, Technion and Institute for Drug Research, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel. (ron@kpa-group.com).
- ***“Using statistics and data science to build a crowdsourcing data platform.”***
By Ankur Gupta, Machine Learning Scientist, Premise Data, San Francisco, USA.
- ***Highlighting Interesting Articles that are NOT in the Statistics Literature: "50 Years of Data Science."***
By David Steinberg, Department of Statistics and Operations Research School of Mathematical Sciences, Tel Aviv University, Israel.

Submissions should be made by e-mail to Nalini Ravishanker (nalini.ravishanker@uconn.edu) or Román Viveros-Aguilera (rviveros@math.mcmaster.ca).

ISBIS Job Ads

ISBIS has initiated the posting of job ads on its website. Check the link from the front page at <http://www.isbis-isi.org>. Academic, government and private organizations are invited to submit their ads for positions relevant to business and industrial statistics. Submissions should be made by e-mail to Nalini Ravishanker (nalini.ravishanker@uconn.edu) or Román Viveros-Aguilera (rviveros@math.mcmaster.ca).

ISBIS 2018 – Call for Presentations

The 2018 International Symposium on Business and Industrial Statistics (ISBIS 2018) will be held at the University of Piraeus, Greece, 4-6 July 2018. The Scientific Program Committee (SPC) enthusiastically invites the submission of **Invited Session Proposals**. Interested individuals should contact the SPC by e-mail at isbis2018@unipi.gr. Each proposal should indicate the topic, the speakers and tentative titles, the affiliations of speakers, and any additional information that would help the SPC in its review. The deadline for Invited Session Proposals is **15 December 2017**. Individuals who would like to give a **Contributed Talk** or to

present a **Poster** should use the abstract submission form. The deadline for Contributed Talks and Posters is **15 January 2018**. The abstract submission system opens on **1 March 2018** and abstracts should be loaded on or before **15 April 2018**. For complete information about ISBIS 2018, visit the conference website at <http://conf.sta.unipi.gr>.

ASMBI Special Issue – Call for Papers

ISBIS' research journal *Applied Stochastic Models in Business and Industry* (ASMBI) invites contributions for a special issue devoted to **Advances in Games and Decisions in Reliability and Risk Analysis (GDRR)**, following the celebration of the 5th Symposium on the topic, GDRR 2017. Submissions are welcome until **15th January 2018** through the ASMBI website ([http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1002/\(ISSN\)1526-4025](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1002/(ISSN)1526-4025)).

62nd ISI World Statistics Congress 2019 – ISBIS Sessions

The 62nd ISI World Statistics Congress 2019 (ISI WSC 2019) will be held on 18-23 August 2019 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. ISBIS traditionally organizes several **Invited Paper Sessions** for this premier of statistics conferences. Individuals interested in organizing one of these sessions should contact the ISBIS Representative to the ISI WSC 2019, Beatriz E. Etchegaray Garcia (beetcheg@us.ibm.com), or ISBIS Vice-President for Scientific Program, Irena Ograjenšek (irena.ograjensek@ef.uni-lj.si). We encourage all ISBIS members to take the initiative and submit invited session proposals for consideration. Please make sure to clearly indicate ISBIS as the sponsoring society.