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ISBIS 2019 Satellite Conference

The ISBIS 2019 Satellite Conference will be held in Kuala Lumpur on Thursday August 15 and Friday August 16, 2019, just before the start of the 62nd ISI World Statistics Congress. It will be hosted by Bank Negara Malaysia and will take place at Sasana Kijang, a center of knowledge and learning excellence established by Bank Negara Malaysia.

The ISBIS Satellite Conference brings together researchers and practitioners from across the world that use statistics in a business or industrial context. The conference aims to review recent advancements in methodology and to present best practices and innovative applications. The conference starts on Thursday morning and will consist of a keynote presentation as well as several invited and contributed sessions. Professor Galit Shmueli will give the keynote lecture at the conference. The call for invited sessions and contributed papers is open now. Friday afternoon is then devoted to an optional short course on Bayesian Data Analysis. More details can be found at the conference [website](#).

ISBIS Sponsored Conferences

The International Conference on Advances in Statistical Methods and Data Science will be held from 20-22 December 2018. The conference plans to provide a forum for interaction and knowledge sharing among academicians, data analysts, practitioners, researchers and students in the domain of both Statistics and Computer Science. It provides a platform to present their research findings in the frontier areas of statistics and data science. There will be a pre-conference workshop on Applied Time Series Analysis using R on 20 December 2018 presented by Prof. Nalini Ravishanker (University of Connecticut, USA) and Dr. Balaji Raman (Cogitaas, Mumbai). More details can be found at <https://icasmds2018.wixsite.com/statistics>

Statistical Methods in Finance 2018 The StatFin conference will take place 17-20 December 2018. The conference aims to expose the participants to new and active areas of research and to engage researchers into active working groups. The conference will be jointly hosted by Chennai Mathematical Institute and Indian Statistical Institute - Chennai Center. More details are available at statfin.cmi.ac.in/2018

Post-Conference Reports

The Workshop on Times-to-Events and Time Series Data Analysis using R - 2018, was held on 27-29 September 2018. The workshop was hosted by the Department of Statistics, Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT) and cosponsored by The International Society for Business and Industrial Statistics. The workshop was designed to impart knowledge on statistical methods and its applications in the various fields of research. The technical sessions include topics on time-to-events analysis, time Series data analysis,

modeling and forecasting, and R implementations. The workshop attracted 24 participants who were young faculties and researchers in Statistics. All the participants gave a positive response to this type of workshops and thanked the organizers and the staff of the department for their friendly hospitality and their organization.

The Workshop on Basic and Advanced Time Series: Theory, Practice and Programming was held from 11-14 September 2018 at Anchor University, Lagos. The workshop was cosponsored by International Society for Business and Industrial Statistics. The main aim of this workshop was to train participants to reach a higher level of scientific activity, both in terms of their teaching, research and publications. We believe that this workshop on the latest developments in time series analysis will improve the capacity building of African postgraduate students, research fellows and junior academic staff members that attended. The workshop is a step towards building the capacity of African researchers in line with the goals of the International Statistical Institute. The workshop attracted 36 participants in attendance. The workshop concluded with positive feedback from the participants regarding all the workshop arrangements and organization.

ISBIS Blog Corner

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ISBIS members from industry, academia, and government are invited to make submissions and to visit the Blog Corner regularly. Submissions should be made by e-mail to Nalini Ravishanker (nalini.ravishanker@uconn.edu) or Román Viveros-Aguilera (rviveros@math.mcmaster.ca).