

## IASS News February 2019

### The Survey Statistician (TSS) January 2019 issue is out!

The Editors Danutė Krapavickaitė and Eric Rancourt inform that the January 2019 issue of The Survey Statistician has been published. The issue is available [here](#).

Highlights:

- The News and Announcements section contains reports on the Second Congress of Polish Statistics and the BigSurv18 conference, and news about the forthcoming ISI WSC 2019 as well as important information on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development of the United Nations.
- The Ask the Experts section provides a response by Frauke Kreuter to the question: *What are alternative data sources, and how to use them?*
- In the New and Emerging Methods section, Risto Lehtonen and Ari Veijanen contribute with an article *Calibration methods for small domain estimation*.
- The Book & Software Review section contains a review of the book of Little and Rubin, *Statistical Analysis with Missing Data*, 2nd ed. (Wiley, 2002), written by Sahar Z. Zangeneh and Fred Hutchinson, and a review of the book of Valliant and Dever, *Survey Weights: A Step-by-step Guide to Calculation* (Stata Press, 2017), written by Andrés Gutiérrez.

Moreover, the issue contains a Country Reports section with seven country reports, as well as Table of Contents of relevant journals and announcements for upcoming conferences. Also included are Letter from the Editors, Letter from the IASS President Peter Lynn and Report from the Scientific Secretary Risto Lehtonen, each containing important information on past and anticipated activities of IASS.

### News on the ISI WSC 2019

**Conference on Current Trends in Survey Statistics 2019** will be organized as a Satellite Conference to the ISI WSC 2019. The dates are 13-16 August 2019, place is the National University of Singapore, and keynote speakers are Danny Pfeffermann, Partha Lahiri and Mark Handcock. Abstract submission closes 15 February. See more details on this exciting event on the [website](#).

ISI WSC 2019 registration is open. Early bird registration with lower registration fee is valid till 31<sup>st</sup> May. Registration details are available [here](#).

The programme for Short Courses has been published and registration is open. Course programme and registration guidelines are available [here](#).

The 62<sup>nd</sup> World Statistics Congress of the ISI will be held in 18-23 August 2019 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

## Paper Submission for the Cochran-Hansen Prize Competition

Submission of papers to the Cochran-Hansen Prize 2019 competition of the IASS is still possible. For more details please contact Anders Holmberg, chair of the prize committee at anders.holmberg@ssb.no. The announcement is published on the [website](#).

## IASS Supported Conferences in 2019

**Survey Process Design Workshop** was organized as a one-day event on 16 January 2019 at the Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, Ogun State, Nigeria. See the [details](#).

**ITACOSM 2019** – the 6<sup>th</sup> ITAlIAn COnterence on Survey Methodology, 5-7 June 2019 in Florence, Italy. [Conference website](#).

**BaNoCoSS-2019**, the 5<sup>th</sup> Baltic-Nordic Conference on Survey Statistics, 16-20 June 2019 in Örebro, Sweden. Deadline for submission of titles and abstracts of contributed papers and posters is 8 April 2019. [Conference website](#).

**EESW19**, the sixth biennial European Establishment Statistics Workshop, 24-27 September 2019 in Bilbao, the Basque Country, Spain. Contributed paper and poster submission deadline is 31 March 2019. More information [here](#).

## Upcoming Conferences on Survey Statistics and Related Areas in 2019

**New Techniques and Technologies for Statistics Conference (NTTS 2019)** will be organized on 12-14 March 2019 in Brussels, Belgium, with satellite events taking place on 11 and 15 March. [Conference website](#).

## News on Past Conferences Supported by the IASS

**10ème Colloque francophone sur les sondages** took place on 24–26 October 2018 in Lyon, France. Pascal Ardilly, Chair of the Organizing Committee, informs that interested people can download abstracts and articles as well as slides of keynote and invited speakers and contributed presentations from the [conference website](#).

## The Survey Research Methods Section (SRMS) of the ASA

Information on activities of the Survey Research Methods Section of the American Statistical Association (ASA) is available [here](#).

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