

## President's Message – November 2019

### New ISI Work Group on Data Science Launched and Involving Others in ISI

In my September message, I mentioned the goal of ensuring that ISI continues to engage in discussions related to data science. To address this goal, we have formed a work group to develop a strategy, material and statement related to connecting and highlighting data science in the ISI. We believe that this could be the perfect timing of this with the impending launch of Journal of Data Science, Statistics, and Visualisation (JDSSV) and the continuing conference series in DSSV. Juergen Symanzik, IASC president, has agreed to chair this group, and members of the workgroup are being recruited now. We hope to have broad association and special interest group representation on this work group.



ISI connection to data science efforts continues with the curriculum frameworks release of the International Data Science in Schools Project (IDSSP) in September. This document includes a framework for introducing data science at the secondary school level and provides topics, learning outcomes and sample lesson plans. This effort was chaired by Nick Fisher, former ISI VP, and members of the curriculum team included Chris Wild, former IASE president and me. Other members of the curriculum team included colleagues from other statistical societies and from computer science societies. I encourage you to review this material and to share it with interested colleagues.

Finally, in my September message, I mentioned the goal of nominating 5 colleagues for ISI Elected Membership before the end of 2019. I have nominated 1 person since the last message, and I am recruiting sponsors for 5 other nominations now. I challenge all ISI elected members to identify senior colleagues who are deserving ISI elected membership – send them the link to the nomination form, get them to complete the form, and send you a curriculum vitae or resume. I value the opportunity for international partnership with colleagues from around the world provided in the ISI, and my goal is to expand our community to welcome others.

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