

IASS News February 2018

- **IASS Twitter Account** [@iass_isi](https://twitter.com/iass_isi)
- **The Survey Statistician, January 2018 issue**

The Editors Eric Rancourt and Natalie Shlomo proudly present the January 2018 issue of the IASS newsletter *The Survey Statistician*. The issue is available at:

http://isi-iass.org/home/wp-content/uploads/Survey_Statistician_January_2018.pdf

Highlights of the contents:

- **New and Emerging Methods:** Alina Matei (Université de Neuchâtel) contributed an article titled: *On Some Reweighting Schemes for Non-ignorable Unit Nonresponse*.
- **The Ask the Experts section** provides a response by Ken Copeland (NORC, University of Chicago) to the question: *How do Establishment Surveys Differ from Household Surveys?*
- **Book Review:** Brady West (University of Michigan) has reviewed the book *Adaptive Survey Design* by B. Schouten, A. Peytchev and J. Wagner, published by Chapman and Hall/CRC (2017).

Moreover, the issue contains News and Announcements and Country Reports sections as well as Table of Contents of relevant journals and announcements for upcoming conferences. Included also are Letter from the Editors, Letter from the IASS President Peter Lynn and Report from the Scientific Secretary Risto Lehtonen.

The Editors announce a change in the editorial team: Natalie Shlomo will be leaving as co-editor due to other commitments. The new co-editor will be Danutė Krapavickaitė (danute.krapavickaite@vgtu.lt).

- **ISI WSC 2019: Call for Proposals of Invited Paper Sessions and Special Topic Sessions**

The 62nd World Statistics Congress of the ISI will be held on 18-23 August 2019 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Submissions of proposals for Invited Paper Sessions (IPS) and Special Topic Sessions (STS) related to the IASS are coordinated by Cynthia Clark (czfclark@cox.net), who is the IASS representative on the Scientific Programme Committee of the WSC. Submissions of proposals for IPS are possible until 31 March 2018. Detailed guidelines by Cynthia Clark for proposal preparation are published in *The Survey Statistician*, January 2018 issue. General guidelines are found at the ISI WSC 2019 website, see <http://www.isi2019.org/call-for-proposal/>.

- **Information on IASS supported conferences in 2018**

SAE 2018 Small Area Estimation and Other Topics of Current Interest in Surveys, Official Statistics, and General Statistics, A Celebration of Professor Danny Pfeffermann's 75th Birthday, 16-18 June 2018, Shanghai, China. Submitted abstracts of

contributed papers will be considered at a first-come first-served basis.

Website: <https://www.sae2018.com>

Second International Conference on the Methodology of Longitudinal Surveys will be organized on 25-27 July 2018 in Essex, UK. The organizers invite submissions for a Student Paper Award, with a submission deadline of 1 March 2018. Moreover, all authors of contributed papers presented at the conference are invited to submit their paper for consideration for publication in a special issue of the journal *Longitudinal and Life Course Studies*. Website: <https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/mols2>

Baltic–Nordic–Ukrainian (BNU) Workshop on Survey Statistics will be arranged on 21-24 August 2018 in Jelgava, Latvia.

Website: <http://home.lu.lv/~pm90015/workshop2018/index.shtml>

Francophone Survey Sampling Colloquium is to be held on 24-26 October 2018 in Lyon, France.

Website: <http://sondages2018.sfds.asso.fr/>

- **Conferences on Survey Statistics and Related Areas in 2018**

BigSurv 2018 Conference - Exploring new statistical frontiers at the intersection of survey science and big data, 25-27 October 2018, Barcelona, Spain. The deadline for abstract submission is 28 February 2018.

Website: <https://www.bigsurv18.org/>

RSS 2018 International Conference of The Royal Statistical Society, 3-6 September 2018, Cardiff, Wales. The deadline for completing the submission for contributed and rapid-fire talks is 5 April 2018.

Website:

https://events.rss.org.uk/rss/frontend/req/thome.csp?pageID=57555&ef_sel_menu=1152&eventID=194&eventID=194

Q2018 The 9th European Conference on Quality in Official Statistics, 26-29 June 2018, Krakow, Poland. The conference dates are 27-29 June 2018. Five training courses are arranged on 26 June:

1. Big Data for official statistics, 2. Data integration and data validation in different statistical processes, 3. Data visualisation and dissemination for the communication of official statistics, 4. Linked Open Data – advantages and difficulties, 5. Total Quality Management in official statistics for improved efficiency of statistical production.

Website: <http://www.q2018.pl/>

- **Upcoming Courses on Survey Statistics in 2018**

Utrecht University Summer School Course: Survey Research: Statistical Analysis and Estimation, 27-31 August 2018, Utrecht, The Netherlands.

Website:

<https://www.utrechtsummerschool.nl/courses/social-sciences/survey-research-statistical-analysis-and-estimation>