

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Name of Committee:

Women In Statistics (CWS)

Name of Chairperson:

Penelope Bidgood

Year of Appointment of the Chair:

2011

Details about Current Committee Members:

Martha Farrar(USA) Webmaster pre 2011
Grace Bediako (Ghana) pre 2011
Cathy Chan (Taiwan) 2013
Yulia Gel (USA) 2013
Luay Shabaneh (Palestine) pre 2011
Teresita Teran (Argentina) 2013
Michiko Wanatabe (Japan) 2013
Amanda Golbeck-US Caucus of Women in Statistics Rep 2014

Activities in the Past 12 Months:

The number of country representatives increased considerably after the WSC in Hong Kong. Unfortunately for the Committee Nel Verhoeven (the Netherlands) has since had to resign due to work commitments following her promotion. The Committee thanks her for her support over the years and wishes her well in her new post.

The subgroup set up to investigate and report on women's membership of the ISI and its sections and engagement in the statistics profession more generally has continued its work which will, in part, be reported at the WSC (see below). The chair has been asked to collaborate with colleagues in the UK to submit an article on Women in Statistics for Significance

Proposed Activities in the Future 12 Months:

The Committee on Women in Statistics has sponsored two IPS at the forthcoming WSC - "Advancing women in statistics-investigating and redressing the gender imbalance" and "Educating future international leadership in statistics and maximising the likelihood of leadership"

The Committee on Women in Statistics is hosting a working breakfast on Tuesday 28 July. The round table discussions will be an opportunity for developing mentoring/mentee relationships between women in similar areas of statistics. The Committee thanks Elsevier for sponsoring the event and the current President for organising this sponsorship.

Issues for the Consideration of ISI EC - Council:

Discussion with Helen McGillivray has clarified that the Committee does not require a Council liaison member.

The Chair appreciates having a named person on Council (currently Helen McGillivray) with whom to liaise.

Unfortunately the working group on developing the website has made little progress, partly due to the lead person moving jobs. The Committee on Women in Statistics welcomes any suggestions for ways forward as it perceives a good website to be an important priority, being often the first encounter people have with its work.

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