LARC

Latin America Regional Committee

The object of LARC (Chair: Victor Perez–Abreu) is to promote Probability Theory and Statistics in Latin America. It organizes the conferences Congreso Latino Americano de Probabilidad y Estadística Matemática: Latin–American Congress of Probability and Mathematical Statistics, which is held every two years in a Latin American country. The VI CLAPEM will be held at the Instituto de Estadística of the Universidad Católica de Valparaíso, Chile, November 20–24, 1995 (see Section 7).

Proceedings CIMAT conference:

Now available are the Proceedings of the Conference on Statistical Inference and Biostatistics held at CIMAT, Guanajuato, in March 1993. Those interested in obtaining a copy should contact V. Perez–Abreu, CIMAT, Apdo. Postal 402, Guanajuato, GTO, 36000 Mexico, email: pabreu@mailer.main.conacyt.mx, fax: +52 473 25749.

CCSP

Committee for Conferences on Stochastic Processes

The Committee finished its work on SPA'23, the 23rd International Conference on Stochastic Processes and its Applications, which will be held in Singapore, June 19–23, 1995 (see Section 7). SPA'24 will be held in Chile in June 1997 (see Section 9). The meeting is being organised by R. Rebolledo, email: rrebolle@mat.puc.cl, fax +562 5525916. The Committee is currently investigating the possibility to hold SPA'25 in 1998 in North America.

CSPS

Committee for Statistics in the Physical Sciences

The CSPS has a new chairman, Ed Waymire, Department of Mathematics, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331, USA, fax: +503 737 0517, email: waymire@math.orst.edu, succeeds Richard Smith.

The 1995–1997 Committee on Statistics in the Physical Sciences (CSPS) is an interdisciplinary committee which will continue to foster research and education pertaining to probability and statistics in the physical sciences. Perhaps this should be broadened to include the biological sciences as well, and also probability should be explicitly involved to better reflect the Bernoulli Society itself. So a more accurate name for the committee might be "Committee on Probability and Statistics in the Natural Sciences".

The principal activity of the Committee is to initiate CSPS sessions at various international meetings and conferences of two types:

(1) Probabilists and statisticians speaking to physical scientists at topical conferences about relevant statistical theory and methods;

(2) Physical scientists speaking to probabililists and statisticians at probability/statistics conferences about their problems, results, and methods.

The Committee is represented at the fifth international conference on space–time variability and dynamics of rainfall which will be held in Crete, June 14–16, 1995. This conference has been meeting every two years and CSPS will have a solid role to play there (especially in future meetings after Crete).

The Committee also participates in the satellite meeting on environmental statistics to the 4th World Congress 1996 in Vienna (see Section 8).

Brief reports on CSPS sessions will be made available to relevant professional newsletters, including Bernoulli News of course. The Committee welcomes input from Bernoulli Society members which may be helpful in these pursuits. Information and comments may be sent to the chair or any member of the Committee for consideration.

The new Committee consists of Edward C. Waymire (USA, Chair), Richard Smith (UK), Peter Guttorp (USA), Harry Pavlopoulous (Greece), Josef Teugels (Belgium), Nicholas Fisher (Australia), John Rundle (USA) Valerie Isham (UK), John Haslett (Ireland), Wojbor Woyczynski (USA), Francis Zwiers (Canada), Yosihiko Ogata (Japan), Colleen Cutler (Canada), David Brillinger (USA), Andrea Rinaldo (Italy), Catherine Nicolis (Belgium), Vijay Gupta (USA), Ole Barndorff–Nielsen (Denmark), Ignacio Rodriguez–Iturbe (USA).