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NEWSLETTER

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This newsletter is intended to serve as a means of communication among the members of the Survey Methods Section (SMS). Please distribute it to any of your colleagues or friends that you feel may be interested. We would like to highlight some activities of the section at the upcoming conference and hope that you decide to attend.

Proceedings of the SMS

We would like to remind all our members that electronic proceedings of the SSC Survey Methods Section are available free of charge to anyone through the web site. From the www.ssc.ca page, select "Sections & Regions" and then "Survey Methods" from the side bar navigation menu. If you then select "Proceedings", you will find them for every year, including the ones from the 2014 meeting in Toronto.

Student Award

The student award is open to all students who present at the annual meeting. Submission is done by sending a simple e-mail. For the 2015 meeting in Halifax, there will be a student award. Visit our website for more information about this award.

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SMS Activities at the 2015 SSC Annual Meeting in Halifax

The Survey Methods Section (SMS) is pleased once again to be involved directly in SSC annual meeting by organizing one workshop, a presidential invited address, three invited sessions and several contributed sessions. We would like to encourage our members and others interested in survey methods to attend. Here are some more details about the workshop and invited sessions, including information on organizers and speakers.

Sunday, June 14th, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

- **WORKSHOP: Record Linkage Methods: Theory and Application**

Abdelnasser Saïdi, *Statistics Canada*

Wednesday, June 17th, 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm, Rowe 1011 (session 3C – A2)

- **PRESIDENTIAL INVITED ADDRESS: Big data, official statistics and survey science**

Organizer: Wesley Yung, *Statistics Canada*

- Mary Thompson, *University of Waterloo*

Monday, June 15th, 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm, McCain 2170 (session 1D – I4)

- **SESSION 1: Recent Developments in Small Area Estimation**

Organizer: Mahmoud Torabi, *University of Manitoba*

(1:30 pm – 2:00 pm) Malay Ghosh, *University of Florida*

(2:00 pm – 2:30 pm) Jiming Jiang, *University of California*

(2:30 pm – 3:00 pm) Gauri Datta, *University of Georgia*

Tuesday, June 16th, 10:20 am – 11:50 am, Rowe 1028 (session 2B – I4)

- **SESSION 2: Statistical Inference in the Presence of Missing Survey Data**

Organizer: David Haziza, *Université de Montréal*

(10:20 am – 10:50 am) Jae-Kwang Kim, *Iowa State University*

(10:50 am – 11:20 am) Changbao Wu, *University of Waterloo*

(11:20 am – 11:50 am) Jongho Im, *Iowa State University*

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Wednesday, June 17th, 10:20 am – 11:50 am, Mona Campbell 1108 (session 3B – I4)

- **SESSION 3: Total Survey Error**

Organizer: Karla Fox, *Statistics Canada*

(10:20 am – 10:50 am) Melanie Abeysondera, *Statistics Canada*

(10:50 am – 11:20 am) Katherine Jenny Thompson, *United States Census Bureau*

(11:20 am – 11:50 am) Brady West, *University of Michigan*

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SMS Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, June 16th, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm, McCain 2132

Please note that the SMS annual general meeting will also be held at the conference in Halifax.

What can the Survey Methods Section do for you?

Please come to the AGM and help us improve the Survey Methods Section.

Members, as well as any person interested in becoming a member, are encouraged to attend. This is the perfect occasion to share your ideas!

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We thank you for your continued support and hope that you find your membership to be beneficial. Please consider renewing this year's membership for a fee of \$5. For more information on current as well as past activities, please visit our [website](#).