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NEWSLETTER

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*This is the updated version of April newsletter. All updates can be found in **red**.*

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 2015 meeting in Halifax.

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 2016 meeting in St. Catharines, there will be a student award. Visit our website for more information about this award.

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SMS Activities at the 2016 SSC Annual Meeting in St. Catharines

The Survey Methods Section (SMS) is pleased once again to be involved directly in the SSC annual meeting by organizing one workshop, a presidential invited address, four 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, May 29, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Thistle 255

- **WORKSHOP:** *Bridging the gap: Turning classical statistics experience directly into a working knowledge of survey data analysis*

Claude Girard, *Statistics Canada*

Wednesday, June 1, 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm, Academic South 204 (Session 3C-I2)

- **PRESIDENTIAL INVITED ADDRESS:** *Data collection*

Organizer: Karla Fox, *Statistics Canada*

- Michael Hidioglou, *Statistics Canada*

Monday, May 30, 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm, Thistle 258 (session 1D-I3)

- **SESSION 1:** *Small Area Estimation: New Developments*

Organizer: Mahmoud Torabi, *University of Manitoba*

(1:30 pm – 2:00 pm) M. Giovanna Ranalli, *University of Perugia*

(2:00 pm – 2:30 pm) J.N.K. Rao, *Carleton University*

(2:30 pm – 3:00 pm) Mahmoud Torabi, *University of Manitoba*

Tuesday, May 31, 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm, Academic South 217 (session 2E-I6)

- **SESSION 2:** *Survey methodology in a big data world*

Organizer: Nancy Reid, *University of Toronto*

(3:30 pm – 4:15 pm) Anne de Moliner, *CANSSI*

(4:15 pm – 5:00 pm) John Eltinge, *US Bureau of Labor Statistics*

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Wednesday, June 1, 10:20 am – 11:50 am, Thistle 258 (session 3B-I1)

- **SESSION 3: Analysis of Complex Survey Data**

Organizer: Lenka Mach, *Statistics Canada*

(10:20 am – 10:50 am) Yves Berger, *University of Southampton*

(10:50 am – 11:20 am) Elizabeth Neusy, *Statistics Canada*

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

Monday, May 30, 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm, Thistle 258 (session 1E-I4)

- **SESSION 4: Missing data in Survey Sampling**

Organizer: Wesley Yung, *Statistics Canada*

(3:30 pm – 4:00 pm) Song Cai, *Carleton University*

(4:00 pm – 4:30 pm) David Haziza, *Université de Montréal*

(4:30 pm – 5:00 pm) Xichen She, *University of Waterloo*

SMS Annual General Meeting

Tuesday May 31, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Thistle 246

Please note that the SMS annual general meeting will also be held at the conference in St. Catharines. Complimentary refreshments and snacks will be offered. The recipient of the 2015 best student paper award, Xichen She, will be presented with the certificate at the AGM.

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](#).