

## Program Secretary's Report, August 2001

In the following I describe IMS meeting and workshop activities. IMS members are strongly encouraged to offer suggestions about workshops, meeting sites, chairs, and topics. In addition, those who are organizing meetings and are interested in IMS co-sponsorship are encouraged to do so; please contact me ([samurphy@umich.edu](mailto:samurphy@umich.edu)) after reading information at the IMS Program Secretary's website: <http://www.stat.lsa.umich.edu/~samurphy/ims/ims.html>

In addition to the standard pattern of meetings, IMS is jointly organizing some special scientific activities for the 2001/2 years. At the instigation of incoming president Iain Johnstone, IMS is sponsoring a "IMS Mini-Meeting" at Florida State University on Statistical Approaches to the Ocean Circulation Inverse Problem; see the list of meetings below for information on this meeting. At the 2002 IMS Annual Meeting, July 27 to August 1, 2002 in Banff, Canada, the Research Section of the Royal Statistical Society (RSS) is planning to hold an Ordinary Meeting. This is a great opportunity to attend a RSS meeting and participate in the ensuing discussion. Or consider submitting a paper for reading. If a suitable paper is submitted then the paper will be read at the Ordinary Meeting and will appear in the Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B (Statistical Methodology) with a full discussion and the author's response. For more information see <http://www.maths.soton.ac.uk/staff/JJForster/RS/rsobj.html>. Additionally IMS will co-sponsor (with the research section of the RSS) an invited session on the "Statistical analysis of microarray data" at the 2002 RSS general meeting in Plymouth from Sept. 3-6, 2002. Mark van der Laan of Univ. of California, Berkeley will organize this session.

As program secretary I would like to see IMS sponsor at least one meeting outside the North American continent every year. Tentative plans are underway to organize a joint meeting with ISBA and possibly RSS. I welcome assistance in this endeavor!

In **2001** IMS is sponsoring or co-sponsoring the following meetings:

**TITLE: ENAR/IMS Eastern Regional**

DATE: March 25-28, 2001

LOCATION: Charlotte, NC

Program Chair: Merlise Clyde, Duke University <[clyde@stat.Duke.EDU](mailto:clyde@stat.Duke.EDU)>

Local Arrangements Chair: Zongwu Cai, UNC at Charlotte <[zcai@uncc.edu](mailto:zcai@uncc.edu)>

Type: Sponsored/Numbered (269)

<http://www.stat.duke.edu/conferences/IMS2001/>

**TITLE: WNAR/ Stat Soc of Canada/IMS Western Regional**

DATE: June 11-15, 2001

LOCATION: Vancouver, BC

Program Chair: Robert Burton, Oregon State ([burton@math.orst.edu](mailto:burton@math.orst.edu)) 541-737-4686

Local Arrangements Chair: Brad McNeney, Simon Fraser U., [mcneney@cs.sfu.ca](mailto:mcneney@cs.sfu.ca)

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Type: Sponsored/Numbered (270)  
<http://www.math.sfu.ca/~tim/sscmgtg.html>

**TITLE: International Conference and Workshop on Statistics and Its Applications**

DATE: June 26-30, 2001

LOCATION: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Co-chairs of International Program Committee (IPC):

Mokhtar Abdullah profmokh@hotmail.com

Chii-Ruey Hwang crhwang@sinica.edu.tw

IMS representative: Iain Johnstone imj@stat.stanford.edu

Local Arrangements Chair: Mokhtar Abdullah profmokh@hotmail.com

Type: Sponsored/Numbered (271)

**TITLE: 2001 Spring Research Conference on Statistics in Industry and Technology**

DATE: June 18-20, 2001

LOCATION: Roanoke, VA

Program Chair: Max Morris, Iowa State [mmorris@iastate.edu](mailto:mmorris@iastate.edu)

Local Arrangements Chair: Christine Anderson-Cook, [candcook@vt.edu](mailto:candcook@vt.edu)

Contributed Papers Chair: Bruce Ankenman, [ankenman@iems.nwu.edu](mailto:ankenman@iems.nwu.edu)

Type: Sponsored/Numbered (272)

<http://www.public.iastate.edu/~stat/conference/content.html>

**TITLE: Statistical Challenges in Modern Astronomy III**

DATE: July 18-21, 2001

LOCATION: State College, PA

Co-chairs of the Scientific Organizing Committee: G. Jogesh Babu, Eric Feigelson

IMS representative: G. Jogesh Babu [babu@stat.psu.edu](mailto:babu@stat.psu.edu)

Type: Co-sponsored

<http://www.astro.psu.edu/SCMA>

**TITLE: The Fifth North American Meeting of New Researchers**

DATE: July 31-August 3, 2001

LOCATION: Georgia Tech

IMS Program Chair: Victoria Chen, Georgia Tech ([chen@isye.gatech.edu](mailto:chen@isye.gatech.edu))

IMS Local Chair: Paul Kvam, Georgia Tech

Type: Sponsored / Numbered (273)

<http://anson.ucdavis.edu/~levine/NRC/>

**TITLE: Joint Statistical Meetings (ASA/IMS/ENAR/WNAR)/ IMS Annual Meeting**

DATE: August 5-9, 2001

LOCATION: Atlanta, Georgia

IMS Program Chair: Michael Stein, Chicago ([stein@galton.uchicago.edu](mailto:stein@galton.uchicago.edu))

Local Arrangements Chair: Brani Vidakovic, Georgia Tech <[brani@isye.gatech.edu](mailto:brani@isye.gatech.edu)>

Type: Sponsored/Numbered (274)

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<http://www.amstat.org/meetings/index.html>

**TITLE: 5<sup>th</sup> ICSA International Conference**

DATE: August 17-19, 2001

LOCATION: Hong Kong

IMS Representative: Howell Tong, Univ. of Hong Kong ([htong@hku.hk](mailto:htong@hku.hk))

Local Arrangements Chair: Wai Keung Li, University of Hong Kong ([hrntlwk@hkucc.hku.hk](mailto:hrntlwk@hkucc.hku.hk))

Type: Co-sponsored

<http://icsa.vlp.com/HK2001/>

**TITLE: Statistical Approaches to the Ocean Circulation Inverse Problem**

DATE: November 13-14, 2001

LOCATION: Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida

IMS Representative: Ian McKeague ([mckeague@stat.fsu.edu](mailto:mckeague@stat.fsu.edu))

Type: Mini-Meeting

<http://www.stat.fsu.edu/ocean/>

At this time IMS has arranged to sponsor or co-sponsor the following meetings in **2002**:

**TITLE: International Workshop in Applied Probability**

DATE: January 14-17, 2002

LOCATION: University of Simon Bolivar, Caracas, Venezuela

IMS Representative: Joseph Glaz, [glaz@uconnvm.uconn.edu](mailto:glaz@uconnvm.uconn.edu)

Type: Co-sponsored

<http://iwap2002.eventos.usb.ve/>

**TITLE: ENAR/IMS Eastern Regional**

DATE: March 15-21, 2002

LOCATION: Washington, DC

Program Chair: Jiayang Sun, [jiayang@sun.STAT.cwru.edu](mailto:jiayang@sun.STAT.cwru.edu), Case Western Reserve University

Local Arrangements Chair: Colin Wu, [colin@mts.jhu.edu](mailto:colin@mts.jhu.edu)

Contributed Papers Chair: Nidhan Choudhuri, [nidhan@nidhan.cwru.edu](mailto:nidhan@nidhan.cwru.edu)

Type: Sponsored/Numbered (275)

<http://sun.cwru.edu/ims/>

**TITLE: Developments and Challenges in bump hunting, mixtures and measurement error models**

DATE: June 2-4, 2002

LOCATION: Cleveland, Ohio

IMS Representative: Bruce Lindsay, Pennsylvania State University <[bgl@stat.psu.edu](mailto:bgl@stat.psu.edu)>

Type: Co-sponsored

<http://sun.cwru.edu/mix/>

**TITLE: WNAR/IMS Western Regional**

DATE: June 23-26, 2002

LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA

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Program Chair: Michael Kosorok <kosorok@biostat.wisc.edu>  
Local Arrangements Chair: Gang Li <gangli@sunlab.ph.ucla.edu>  
Type: Sponsored/Numbered (276)

**TITLE: Current Advances and Trends in Nonparametric Statistics, Co-sponsored by IMS**

DATE: July 15-19, 2002

LOCATION: Crete, Greece

Organizers: Michael G. Akritas and Dimitris N. Politis

IMS Representative: Michael G. Akritas, mga@stat.psu.edu

Type: Co-sponsored

<http://www.stat.psu.edu/~npconf/>

**TITLE: IMS Annual Meeting/Fourth International Probability Symposium**

DATE: July 28 to August 2, 2002

LOCATION: Banff, Canada

IMS Program Chair Tom DiCiccio, Cornell, [tjd9@cornell.edu](mailto:tjd9@cornell.edu)

Symposium Co-Chairs: Tom Kurtz, U. Wisconsin, [Kurtz@math.wisc.edu](mailto:Kurtz@math.wisc.edu)

Soren Asmussen, U. of Lund, [asmus@maths.lth.se](mailto:asmus@maths.lth.se)

IMS Local Chair: Subhash Lele, U. Alberta, [slele@ualberta.ca](mailto:slele@ualberta.ca),

(o) (780) 492-4290 (fax) (780) 492-6826

Type: Sponsored/Numbered (277)

**TITLE: Joint Statistical Meetings (ASA/IMS/ENAR/WNAR)**

DATE: August 11-15, 2002

LOCATION: New York, New York

IMS Program Chair: Zhiliang Ying, [zying@stat.columbia.edu](mailto:zying@stat.columbia.edu)

IMS Local Chair: Nicolas Hengartner, Yale Univ., [hengart@stat.yale.edu](mailto:hengart@stat.yale.edu)

Contributed Papers Chair: Anna Amirdjanova, [amir@email.unc.edu](mailto:amir@email.unc.edu)

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The future JSM meetings are San Francisco (2003), Toronto (2004), Minneapolis (2005), Seattle (2006). In 2003 the IMS Annual meeting is in San Francisco and in 2004 Annual meeting will be with the Bernoulli Society.

The general meeting patterns of IMS are

- The **IMS Eastern Regional Meeting** is held jointly with Biometrics Society (ENAR) in late March of each year.
  - The **IMS Western Regional Meeting** is held jointly with the Biometrics Society (WNAR) in late June of each year..
  - In every odd numbered year, the **IMS Annual Meeting** is held in August concurrently with the Joint Statistical Meetings.
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- In every leap year, the **IMS Annual Meeting** is held jointly with the Bernoulli Society. The 2004 meeting is in Israel.
  - In every leap year plus two, the **IMS Annual Meeting** is set at the discretion of Council. The year 2002 annual meeting will be in Banff, Canada, and will coincide with the **Fourth International Probability Symposium**.
  - The **North American Meeting of New Researchers** is held in odd years, usually in the proximity of the corresponding Joint Statistical Meeting/IMS Annual Meeting.
  - The **Spring Research Conference on Statistics in Industry and Technology** is held annually in June.
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