From: Statistical Society of Australia
To: Marie-Louise Rankin
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Dear Marie-Louise,

Earlier this week, our Events Coordinator, Jodi Phillips, and I had the pleasure of visiting Perth, courtesy of Business Events Perth. The purpose of the trip was to source a suitable venue for our 2025 Australian Statistical Conference.

For two days Jodi and I were shown some amazing options for the conference itself, as well as several off-site venues where a conference dinner or welcome reception could be held. It seemed that wherever we were taken and wherever we looked, there was a stunning view to be had.

While the report on the visit still needs to be finalised, Jodi and I instantly agreed on our favourite contender, though we are not yet able to reveal which venue that was. The final say will lie with the Local Organising Committee and most certainly will come down to cost, as we always strive to keep the registration fees as low as possible. I can say though that every venue we were shown looked more than suitable, and the city of Perth itself will be a stunning backdrop for our event.

Everyone seems to be hungry for travel these days, trying to make up for missed time. We hope this momentum will still be going in 2025 and that we will be able to welcome many of our members in Perth in 2025.



Site visit at the WA Museum Boola Bardip (from left to right: Linda Adams. Senior Business Development Manager, Business Events Perth. Paige Newman, Destination Marketing Coordinator, Business Events Perth, Jodi Phillips, SSA Events Coordinator, Marie-Louise Rankin, SSA Executive Officer Susette van der Linden, Conference Direct)

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Pauline, an academic statistician at the University of Wollongong, current SSA Canberra president, and a winner of the SSA Canberra 2022 "rego grant" prize, shares her experiences with how she used the grant to attend the last year's times-series analysis and forecasting with R workshop:

I was awarded the 2022 SSA Canberra rego grant to partially fund the

registration for the SSA workshop "Time Series analysis and forecasting using R". The workshop ran in-person for two days at the ANU from 9-10 November 2022, presented by Professor Rob Hyndman (Monash University, AU) and Associate Professor Bahman Rostami-Tabar (Cardiff University, UK). The workshop included a good balance of theoretical contents and hands-on exercises, as well as plenty of breaks between sessions for socialising. On the first day, we learnt the exploratory methods in time series analysis, including visualisation techniques, high dimensions time series analysis, clustering time series. Day 2 focused on forecasting methods, including classic time series modelling, new forecasting methods for large scale series and the hierarchical forecasting method, which reconciles related series and forecast time series in groups.

I would like to thank SSA Canberra for this rego grant and for making my attendance at the workshop possible, providing me with an excellent opportunity for professional development, and helping academics like myself to keep up with the newest research in time series forecasting.

Sincerely,

Pauline O'Shaughnessy

IASE 2023 Satellite Conference - Call for Papers

The International Association for Statistical Education (IASE) and the International Association for Statistical Computing (IASC) are co-organising the 13th IASE Satellite Conference which will take place from 11 July to 13 July 2023, just before the 64 World Statistics Congress (WSC64, 16–20 July in Ottawa, Canada).

The conference will be offered in a hybrid format to welcome both online delegates and those participating in-person in Toronto, Canada.

The theme of the conference is "Fostering Learning of Statistics and Data Science".

The full call for abstracts is available here.

Call for papers: Inclusive Statistics Education With Digital Resources - 2024 special issue of the Statistics Education Research Journal (SERJ)

For the 2024 Special Issue of SERJ, the publishers are interested in scholarly

articles that address the aspects of Inclusion and Digital Resources in Statistics Education.

From their perspective, the topic of inclusion is considered and interpreted in a broad sense. With the expansion of and shift to inclusion, learners' individually different interests, learning opportunities, attitudes, language or linguistic diversity, and cultural backgrounds are gaining attention in the design of instruction, at least since the ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Inclusion in education aims to ensure that all learners, regardless of their individual competencies, are recognised in the classroom with their personal needs and special characteristics addressed so they can participate actively in the classroom both professionally and socially. Recognition and participation include the adequate and individual support of all learners. The publishers see, for instance, digital resources as one way to address inclusion.

Find out more

Mentioned in previous newsletters

ASC 2023: Call for Abstract Reviewers

The ASC 2023 Scientific Programming Committee (SPC) is currently seeking expressions of interest from SSA members interested in undertaking the peer review of abstracts for the conference. All areas of statistical expertise are welcome. The Australian Statistical Conference, partnered with the Australian Conference on Teaching Statistics (OZCOTS), will take place in Wollongong from 10th-15th December 2023.

Each reviewer will be responsible for blind reviewing up to 20 abstracts of up to 300 words aligned with their area of expertise and each abstract will have 2 reviewers. Review criteria and information on how to review the abstracts will be provided once the call for reviewers closes. **Reviewers must be available to review abstracts between April and May 2023**.

Selection of reviewers will be based on SSA membership and area of expertise, with the number of reviewers based on the number of abstract submissions. If you are able to review abstracts, please complete the <u>online</u> registration form. Abstract reviewer registrations will close on <u>31st March 2023</u>

Call for nomination: Horizon Lectures, <u>Australian Statistical Conference</u>, 10-15th December 2023 (ASC 2023)

The Statistical Society of Australia (SSA) and ASC 2023 Scientific Programme Committee are delighted to open nominations for the inaugural Horizon Lectures, to be given at ASC2023 in Wollongong, 10th- 15th December 2023.

The Horizon Lectures aim to recognise emerging leaders in Australia's statistics community and their contributions to advancing statistical practice across academia, government, and/or industry. Lectures will be awarded to mid-career statisticians working in any discipline who have made an impact within their field(s) of expertise and have demonstrated leadership in building capacity in statistical expertise within Australia.

Up to three (3) Horizon Lectures will be awarded for presentation at ASC2023. All Lectures will be presented together as a plenary session to all conference delegates. Lectures can be on any area of statistics in line with the awardee's expertise. Each awardee will receive up to \$2,500 to cover conference and travel costs.

Nominations involve a written statement (up to 1,000 words) summarising how the nominee meets the award selection criteria. Nominees must be a member of the SSA and be employed as a statistician in Australia. Nominations must be supported by another member of the SSA.

Full details on eligibility, award selection criteria and submission are available in the nomination form, available on the <u>conference website</u>. Nominations must be submitted by **5 pm AEST**, **28th February 2023**. Late nominations will not be accepted.

Questions about the Horizon lectures can be sent to ASC 2023 Scientific Programming Committee at asc.ozcots2023@gmail.com

SSA Events

The Necessary SQL - An Introduction to SQL with Daniel Fryer

6-February 2023, 9:00 AM (AEDT) – 7 February 2023, 5:00 PM (AEDT), Online via Zoom

Save the date: ASC and OZCOTS 2023

10-15 December 2023, University of Wollongong, NSW

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University of Sydney

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