BERNOULLI SOCIETY FOR MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS AND PROBABILITY THEORY

Minutes of the meeting of the European Regional Committee, Barcelona, August 26, 2004

1. **Welcome and apologies for absence**
   PRESENT: Claudia Klüppelberg (Chair), Michael Sorensen, Marie Huskova (Programme Coordinator), Enno Mammen (Scientific Secretary of the Bernoulli Society), Daniel Berze (Director of the Permanent Office of the ISI) Ingrid Glad, Adam Jakubowski, Tamas Mori, Eva Vedel Jensen, Ingrid van Keilegom, Zoran Vondracek, Antonia Turkman.
   GUESTS: Don Dawson (President of the Bernoulli Society).

2. **Minutes of the meeting in Berlin (August 18, 2003).**
   Accepted.

3. **Matters rising from these minutes, not otherwise covered by the agenda.**
   None.

4. **Election of ERC members to replace those retiring in 2004.**
   Marie Huskova (Czech Republic) took over the chair for the term 2004-2006.
   The following members were elected: Eva Vedel Jensen (Denmark), Sara van de Geer (The Netherlands), Ingrid van Keilegom (Belgium), Andras Zempleni (Hungary), Zoran Vondracek (Croatia), Antonia Turkman (Portugal), Jürg Hüsler (Switzerland).
   The following members retired: Michael Sorensen, Marie Huskova, Marc Aerts, Peter Imkeller, Stephan Morgenthaler, Tamas Mori, Mihael Perman, Aad van der Vaart.

5. **Election of a new Programme Coordinator and the Conference Committee.**
   Michael Sorensen (Programme Coordinator) builds with Steve Brooks and Sara van de Geer the Conference Committee. According to paragraph 10 of the Statutes of the ERC, Michael Sorensen thus automatically a supernumerary member of the ERC.

6. **Forthcoming Meetings.**

   The 5th Séminaire Européens de Statistique on Statistics of Spatio-temporal Systems. Höhenried, Germany December 12-19, 2004
   Local Organiser is Leonhard Held (email: held@stat.uni-muenchen.de). The meeting

is financed through a successful bid of the European Mathematical Society (EMS) to the 6th framework programme of the European Commission.

The 25th European Meeting of Statisticians. Oslo, July 24-29, 2005.
The meeting will be organized jointly by the Norwegian Computing Centre and the University of Oslo. The Scientific Programme Committee consists of Aad van der Vaart (Chair), Oernulf Borgan, Jeffrey Steif, Gareth Roberts, Sylvia Richardson, Ursula Gather and Tomasz Rolski. Chairman of the Local Organising Committee is Arnoldo Frigessi, and the Deputy Chairman is Nils Lid Hjort. The SPC has selected eight special lecturers and fixed the titles for 23 ordinary invited sessions and one invited discussion session. The special lectures and sessions cover a broad area in statistics, probability and applied probability, and their applications, and have been chosen with the specific aim to appeal to a wide audience, including both statisticians and probabilists, working in theory or practice.

The 14th European Young Statisticians Meeting. Debrecen, Hungary, end of August 2005
The TU Budapest and the University of Debrecen organize jointly the next EYSM. Local Organiser is Katalin Varga (email: varga@szit.bme.hu, vkati@hu.inter.net). The meeting has no outside financial support. As reported by Daniel Berze, the ISI Development Fund cannot support the meeting as its financial situation is completely unclear.

The 26th European Meeting of Statisticians. Torun, Poland, July 24-28, 2006.
Chairman of the Scientific Programme Committee is Herold Dehling, Adam Jakubowski is chairing the Local Organising Committee.

7. **Steering Group of the Séminaire Européen de Statistiques.**
The Semstat Steering Committee consists of Ole E. Barndorff-Nielsen, Bärbel Finkenstädt (Chair), Wilfrid Kendall, Michael Sorensen, Gesine Reinert, Aad van der Vaart, Leo Knorr-Held.
Wilfrid Kendall expresses the wish to retire. Ingrid van Keilegom, Alex Lindner and Enno Mammen were suggested as new members. Bärbel Finkenstädt wants to retire from the chair and remains as a member on the committee. Members of the ERC are invited to suggest names of appropriate candidates for the Steering Group. Marie Huskova will organise the election of new members and a new chair by the ERC via email.

8. **Any other business.**
The next ERC Meeting will take place during the 25th European Meeting of Statisticians in Oslo during July 24-29, 2005.

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