



# Government/National Laboratory Affiliate Update

October 2008

### **New Affiliates**

NISS and SAMSI welcome the following organizations to the affiliates program:

- Bayer HealthCare; Allen Heller is representative.
- The Department of Biostatistics, Bioinformatics, and Biomathematics at Georgetown University; Françoise Seillier-Moiseiwitsch is representative.
- The Department of Statistics at Indiana University; Karen Kafadar is representative.

## NISS Board of Trustees Affiliates Committee

In recognition of the centrality of the affiliates to NISS, the Board of Trustees maintains a standing Affiliates Committee.

Members are **John Eltinge** (Bureau of Labor Statistics), **Jon Kettenring** (Drew University), **James Landwehr** (Avaya Labs Research), **Keith Soper** (Merck), **Cliff Spiegelman** (Texas A&M) and **Roy Whitmore** (RTI International), with **Lee Wilkinson** (Systat) as chair. Regular NISS participants in the committee's monthly teleconferences are Alan Karr, Nell Sedransk and Jamie Nunnelly.

The committee plans to focus this year on NISS-affiliate communications, forming "clusters" of affiliates with common interests, selective expansion of the program and the 10th anniversary of the program, which takes place in 2010. Affiliates are welcome to suggest items for discussion by the committee: send e-mail to Alan Karr (karr@niss.org).

### **Affiliates Events**

**Exploration Workshop on Agent-Based Modeling:** November 20-21, 2008 at NISS. *ARA ELIGIBLE*.

*Details*: http://www.niss.org/affiliates/agent-based modeling200811/abm\_home.html

**Exploration Workshop on Financial Risk Modeling and Banking Regulations:** 

February 5-6, 2009, Washington DC. ARA ELIGIBLE.

2009 Affiliates Annual Meeting: Friday, April 24, 2009 in Storrs, CT.

The Department of Statistics at the University of Connecticut is hosting this event. The meeting will be followed on Saturday, April 25, by the 23rd New England Statistics Symposium.

**2010 Affiliates Annual Meeting:** April 2010 in Chicago, IL. The meeting is hosted by SPSS and other organizations.



**Opening Ceremony for Building Addition:** Ribbon-Cutting and Open House, 5:00-7:00 PM, Friday November 7, 2008, at NISS. *ARA* 



ELIGIBLE.

**ITSEW 2009:** The Concept of Total Survey Error—Uses and Abuses. June 14-17, 2009 in Tällberg, Sweden. *ARA ELIGIBLE*.



### **SAMSI Events**

2007-08 Program on Environmental Sensor Networks:

Transition Workshop—Progress and Challenges, October 20-21, 2008 at SAMSI. ARA ELIGIBLE.

*Details:* http://www.samsi.info/200708/sensor/2008sensor-transition-application200810.html

Registration Deadline: October 10, 2008

**Blackwell-Tapia Conference:** 

November 14-15, 2008, at the Radisson Hotel RTP. ARA ELIGIBLE.

Details: http://www.samsi.info/workshops/2008Blackwell-Tapia.shtml

Registration and hotel deadline: October 31, 2008

2008-09 Program on Algebraic Methods in Systems Biology and Statistics:

Workshop on Discrete Models in Systems Biology, December 3-5, 2008 at SAMSI. ARA ELIGIBLE.

Details: http://www.samsi.info/workshops/2008algebraic-discrete200812.shtml

Registration Deadline: November 21, 2008

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