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Title: International Biometric Conference 2016

Event Type: Conference-Workshop

Location:

Victoria Conference Centre, Victoria, B.C.

Dates:

July 10-15, 2016

Topic:

Biometrics including for example biostatistics, environmental statistics, and ecological statistics.

Methodology:

July 10: Short courses and an opening reception

July 11-12 and 14-15: Poster sessions, up to 6 concurrent invited or contributed sessions

July 13: Day off, tours

Objectives Achieved:

The meeting included both oral and poster presentations of methodological advances, applications to specific subject-matter challenges and educational offerings. To encourage participation by students and members from developing countries, the conference included awards for Best Student Oral and Poster Presentation as well as Best Professional Poster.

Scientific Highlights:

One unique invited session was "Statistics and Human rights" including talks on "Statistics and forensic evidence", "Counting Civilian Casualties", and "Estimating the prevalence of child abductions from El Salvador's civil war". An ISI showcase session was on "Global Food Security: the role of statisticians and statistical science".

Organizers:

Cowen, Laura, Mathematics and Statistics, University of Victoria

Fong, Youyi, Vaccine and Infections Disease Division, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Centre

Rosychuk, Rhonda, Paediatrics, University of Alberta

Biggerstaff, Brad, Vector-Borne Diseases, National Centre for Emerging and Zoonotic Infections Diseases, Centres for Disease Control and Prevention

| May, Susanne, Biostatistics, University of Washington |
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| Crespi, Kate, Biostatistics, UCLA |
| Brown, Elizabeth, Vaccine and Infectious Disease and Public Health Sciences Divisions, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Centre |
| Carole, Marco, Biostatistics, University of Washington |
| Othus, Megan, Biostatistics and Biomathematics, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Centre |
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| Speakers: Please see attached program. |
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| Links: https://biometricconference.org/ |
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