Dear IARIW Member,

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This message is to update you on recent developments related to the Association.

General Conference in Oslo in 2020

The 36th IARIW General Conference will take place in Oslo, Norway August 24-28, 2020. Local arrangements will be handled by Statistics Norway. Based on proposals received from the membership at the members meeting in Copenhagen, the Council selected 12 themed sessions, which can be found at [http://www.iariw.org/sessions2020oslo.pdf](http://www.iariw.org/sessions2020oslo.pdf). In addition, proposals for papers on other topics are also welcome. The web portal for submissions is now open and submissions of proposals (maximum 1000 words) can be made at [http://www.iariw.org/paperSubmission2020General.php](http://www.iariw.org/paperSubmission2020General.php). The deadline for submissions is September 30, 2019.

Special IARIW-HSE Conference on Income and Wealth in Eastern Europe and CIS Countries

The IARIW, in partnership with the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE), has organized the conference “Experiences and Challenges in Measuring Income and Wealth in Eastern Europe and CIS Countries” which will take place at HSE in Moscow, Russia September 17-18, 2019. The conference is supported by the Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS Stat) and the Federal State Statistics Service of the Russian Federation (Rosstat). This will be the first conference that the IARIW has organized in any country of the former Soviet Union.

The objective of this conference is to advance our understanding on issues related to national accounts, prices, productivity, income and wealth distribution, poverty, and economic wellbeing in the countries of Eastern Europe and of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) through an examination of past experiences related to the measurement of trends in these variables and the identification of future measurement challenges. The preliminary program for
the conference containing 40 papers is posted at http://iariw.org/c2019moscow.php. The conference website constructed by HSE contains information on registration, accommodation and visa requirements. It is available at https://www.hse.ru/en/iariw/.

**Special IARIW-World Bank Conference on Poverty Measurement**

The IARIW, in partnership with the World Bank, is organizing an international conference entitled “New Approaches to Defining and Measuring Poverty in a Growing World.” The event will take place at the World Bank office in Washington, DC November 7-8, 2019. The global success in reducing extreme poverty means there is both a need for improved methodologies to effectively identify the shrinking population of the extreme poor and new concepts to capture those who continue to be poor by other definitions.

The objective of this special conference is to inform and shape how the international development community moves forward in defining, measuring, and monitoring poverty. The preliminary program for the conference containing 40 papers is posted at http://iariw.org/c2019washington.php. A link to the conference website constructed and maintained by the World Bank will be posted on the IARIW website as soon as the website is up.

**IARIW Session on the Future of the National Accounts at the ISI World Statistics Congress**

As part of the collaboration between the IARIW and the International Statistical Institute (ISI), the Association is organizing a session on national accounts at the ISI's 62nd World Statistics Congress in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia August 18-23, 2019. The session, spearheaded by immediate Past IARIW President Albert Braakmann, will provide both a stocktaking by looking at current experiences with the SNA 2008 and a look ahead by identifying challenges for a future SNA. The session brings together senior officials from the agencies responsible for producing SNA estimates for Germany and OECD countries as well as senior officials from important users of the SNA (IMF and European Central Bank). The program for the session is posted at http://iariw.org/c2019kuala.php. Information on the conference is posted at http://www.isi2019.org/.

Best Regards,

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