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Dear IARIW Member,

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

36th IARIW General Conference

The 36th IARIW General Conference took place August 23-26, 2021. This was the first time the Association organized a major virtual conference and given the circumstances, the event was successful. Around 250 delegates registered for the conference and 120 papers were presented.

The final program is posted at

<https://iariw.org/36th-annual-virtual-general-conference-preliminary-program/>. A highlight of the conference was the Ruggles Lecture entitled "Big Data for 21st Century Economic Statistics" by Katharine Abraham, former head of the US Bureau of Labor Statistics. The presentation is available at <https://iariw.org/abraham-presentation/>. A recording can be found at

<https://vimeo.com/593140108/3fc739947a>. The IARIW would like to thank Statistics Norway for hosting the conference and in particular for the development of an excellent conference platform.

IARIW Members Meeting

The IARIW members meeting took place virtually on August 27, 2021. Draft minutes from the meeting are available at

<https://iariw.org/membership/minutes-of-the-members-meeting/minutes-iariw-members-meeting-aug-ust-27-2021-september-29/>.

A key part of the meeting was the presentation of and voting on proposals for session themes for the next General Conference. The Council used this input to develop the call for papers for the conference. The Association would like to thank all members who submitted proposals.

The IARIW audited financial statement for 2020 is posted at

<https://iariw.org/about/financial-statements/iariw-final-afs-2020/>. The report of the Executive Director for 2020-2021 is posted at

<https://iariw.org/about/executive-director-report/iariw-executive-director-report-2020-21/>. The report

of the Editors of the Review of Income and Wealth for 2020-2021 is posted at https://iariw.org/review-of-income-wealth/annual-report-of-the-editors/roiw_editorial_report_2021_final/.

37th IARIW General Conference

The 37th IARIW General Conference will take place in Luxembourg August 22-26, 2022. The Association thanks the Central Service for Statistics and Economic Studies (STATEC) in Luxembourg for offering to host the conference. Because of the one-year delay with the holding of the 36th General Conference, the timelines for the organization of the 37th General Conference have been compressed from two years to one year. The call for papers for the conference is found at <https://iariw.org/sessions2022luxembourg/>. Submission of proposals are now being accepted at <https://forms.gle/jMBH9KwsLAJaEbPz7>. The deadline for submission of proposals is January 15, 2022.

Special IARIW-ESCoE Conference on Intangible Assets

The IARIW, in partnership with the UK Economics Statistics Centre of Excellence (ESCoE), is hosting an in-person conference on the measurement of intangible investments and implications for growth and productivity in London, England, November 11-12, 2021. The objective of the conference is to bring together academics, statisticians, policymakers and other data users interested in the measurement of intangibles to take forward an agenda for understanding the importance of these rapidly growing investments. The program for the conference is found at <https://iariw.org/Program-IARIW-ESCoE-2021/>. The keynote speakers are Dan Sichel from Wellesley College and Jonathan Haskel from Imperial College. Conference registration is at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/iariw-escoe-conference-on-intangible-capitals-tickets-157993433613>. All IARIW members, especially those in the UK, are invited to attend this event. There is no registration fee for IARIW members.

Special IARIW-TNBS Conference on Income, Wealth and Well-being in Africa

The IARIW, in partnership with the Tanzania National Bureau of Statistics announces the conference “Measuring Income, Wealth, and Well-being in Africa” which is planned to take place in Arusha, Tanzania, April 14-16, 2022. This will be the first conference that the IARIW has organized in East Africa.

The main aim of the conference is to bring together academics, statisticians, policymakers, and other data users interested in the measurement of income, wealth, and well-being in an African context. The conference program is posted at <https://iariw.org/iariw-tnbs-conference-program/>. Information on registration will be available later this year.

Future Special IARIW Conferences

In non-General Conference years, the Association organizes conferences on particular topics, such as the conferences on intangible assets and income, wealth and well-being in Africa. The Association partners with national statistical offices, universities and research institutes in the organization of these events. Members are invited to submit ideas to the secretariat for future special conferences. Information on special conferences is found at <https://iariw.org/information-on-iariw-special-conferences/>.

If you have any questions related to any aspect of the Association, please contact me.

Best Regards,

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