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ANDREW SHARPE (*Executive Director*)

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Dear IARIW Member,

As most of you know, after 20 years in the position of IARIW Executive Director, effective January 1, 2025, I have stepped down from the position. David Johnson, a well-known long-term member of the Association, has assumed the position of IARIW Executive Director. The IARIW secretariat has officially moved from Ottawa, where it was housed at the Centre for the Study of Living Standards (CSLS) to Washington, DC where the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) will provide the secretariat function. In 2025, I will continue to play a role in the Association as I will be responsible for the organization for the two special conferences the IARIW is holding this year.

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The IARIW is the leading international research organization in the field of income and wealth. It was founded by the pioneers of national accounting, Simon Kuznets and Richard Stone, in the late 1940s. It brings together researchers from national statistical offices around the world, international organizations, research institutes, and universities to advance our understanding of income and wealth measurement issues. I thank the many presidents of the Association I have worked with over the years for their support and counsel. I am very honoured that the IARIW Council has seen fit to give me the title of IARIW Executive Director Emeritus and to have made me a permanent co-opted (non-voting) member of Council.

In terms of Association news, IARIW members are reminded of the **January 31, 2025** deadline for submission of proposals for the special IARIW conference “Improving Well-being Measurement in Data-challenged Environments in Developing Countries for Better Evidence-based Policies” being organized in collaboration with the World Bank and the Vietnamese Central Institute of Economic Management (CIEM0 in Hanoi, Vietnam October 2-3, 2025). The call for papers is found [here](#), the submission portal [here](#), and information on the conference [here](#)

The IARIW, in partnership with Hitotsubashi University, is organizing a conference entitled “Population Ageing: Implications for Economic Measurement and Economic Performance” at the International House of Japan in Tokyo, Japan on March 24- 25, 2025. There will be a bus excursion of some of the key attractions of Tokyo on March 26. The preliminary conference program can be found [here](#). For information about the conference click [here](#). The conference website is found [here](#). The link to registration is accessible [here](#). I look forward to seeing many members of the Association at this important event.

Delegates attending the Tokyo IARIW conference may also be interested in attending the 8th World KLEMS Conference being held at same venue (International House of Japan) March 27-28, Check [here](#) for the conference program and [here](#) for registration.

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David will be sending out the renewals for both individual and institutional memberships later this month and will be releasing in February the call for papers for the 39th IARIW General Conference to be held in August 2026 in Brussels.

Best Regards,

Andrew Sharpe



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