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New newsletter
After a long interruption, we are pleased to send you issue 24 of the IUSSP Bulletin. The new IUSSP Bulletin will now be sent out to members by email as an electronic newsletter. This will ensure you receive timely information and allow us to distribute the newsletter more frequently as we have eliminated the time and cost of printing and sending the newsletter by post. We will also be able to provide you with more information. Just click on the links to read full articles or find more information posted on the IUSSP website.

New Council
The new Council and officers held their first meeting on 30 and 31 January of this year. The main decisions concerned the acceptance of South Africa’s bid to host the next IUSSP Conference in Cape Town in 2017 and the creation of several new Panels. Read the article written by France Meslé the new Secretary General and Treasurer. (Read more)

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International Population Conference

South African proposal for IPC 2017
At the 2013 IUSSP General Assembly, South Africa and India proposed to host the 28th International Population Conference in 2017. Based on a very detailed proposal submitted by South Africa, the IUSSP Council decided to accept their proposal to host the conference in Cape Town. (Read more)

2013 Busan Conference report
The 27th International Population Conference held in Busan, Korea, from 26 to 31 August 2013 brought together over 2,100 population scientists, students and policy makers from 106 countries. The conference was an opportunity for them to present their research and exchange on population issues. (Read more)
IUSSP Laureate Award

2014 Laureate
Thérèse Locoh, an active member of the IUSSP since 1965, has been elected the 2014 IUSSP Laureate for her important contributions to demographic research on family, fertility, and gender in Africa. The Laureate Ceremony will take place at the European Population Conference, Budapest, Saturday 28 June 2014 at 11:00 am. (Read more)

2015 Laureate nominations
Would you like one of your colleagues to be honoured for their decisive contribution to the advancement of demography and population research? Do not hesitate to round up support and propose a nomination for the 2015 IUSSP Laureate award. The letter of nomination and all supporting documents should be sent to the IUSSP Secretariat by 15 October 2014. (Read more)

IUSSP Panels

Three new IUSSP Panels
Three new Panels were created at the last Council meeting:
- Panel on Historical Demography
- Panel on Language and Population Studies
- Panel on Spatial Demography

Call for new Panel proposals
The IUSSP Council also decided to organize a second call for new Panel proposals, with a focus on nine priority topics. Selected Panels will begin their activities in 2015. - Deadline for submissions: 15 October 2014. (Read the call for new Panel proposals).

Calls for Papers

IUSSP Calls for papers
- International Seminar on Separation, Divorce, Repartnering and Remarriage around the World, Montreal, Canada, 4-6 May 2015 (IUSSP Scientific Panel on Nuptiality) - Deadline for submissions: 31 July 2014

Other Calls for Papers
IUSSP Seminars and Workshops

Seminar reports
Reports from seminars and workshops are posted on the IUSSP website. The most recent reports are:

- **International Conference and Symposium on the Demographic Dividend in Africa** (2014, in French)
- **Training workshop on Using "Quantum GIS" (QGIS) Software to Present Census Data** (2014)

Seminar papers
Papers presented at IUSSP seminars are accessible to members on the website in “working papers” (login required).

The most recent seminars are:

- **Demographic Differential Vulnerability to Natural Disasters in the Context of Climate Change Adaptation**
- **International Cyberseminar: Family demography: Advancing knowledge about intergenerational relationships and exchanges in low and middle-income countries**
- **International Seminar: Is access enough? Understanding and addressing unmet need in Family Planning** (read more, login required)

Cyberseminar on Family Demography
In January 2014, the IUSSP Panel on Family Demography in Developing Countries, in collaboration with the University of Southampton, organized the first of three planned international cyberseminars entitled ‘Family demography: Advancing knowledge about intergenerational relationships and exchanges’. Papers, discussion forums and videos are available on the University of Southampton website.

Recent Publications

Books

Special Issues in peer-reviewed journals

Online Distance Learning

Tools for Demographic Estimation

Together in one place, and in a user-friendly style, key methods used by demographers everywhere to measure demographic parameters from limited and defective data. At the end of 2013, the website had 2,705 visitors from 147 countries accounting for 4,753 visits; 354 downloads of the full PDF document were registered. Translation of the materials into French was begun at the end of 2013. (Read more)

Population Analysis for Policies and Programmes

Modules 1-3 of Population Analysis for Programs and Policy is now available on the IUSSP website and Module 4. "Demographic Analysis: Applications and Extensions to demography and health, fertility and family planning will soon be available." (read more)

Job opportunities

Employment announcements

- Director, Centre for Demographic Studies (CED), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Spain). - Deadline for applications: 21 July 2014.
- Assistant/Associate Professor Level Position at the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research. Deadline for applications: 25 July 2014.

Research grants and post-docs

- Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellowships in aging research at the MaxNetAging Research School (MNARS), at the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (Rostock, Germany) - Deadline for applications: 25 July 2014.

Calendar

Forthcoming IUSSP seminars

- Promoting Postpartum and Post-abortion Family Planning: Challenges and Opportunities, Cochin, India, 11-13 November 2014
- Separation, Divorce, Repartnering and Remarriage around the World, Montreal, Canada, 4-6 May 2015

Other forthcoming conferences

- VI Conference of the Latin American Population Association (ALAP), Lima, Peru, 12-15 August 2014
- Chaire Quetelet 2014 – Fertility, childlessness and the family: A pluridisciplinary approach, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 5-7 November 2014
Membership News

2013 Annual Report
The 2013 Annual Report of the Union is available here.

Member donations
(see the list of members who made a donation in 2013)

New members
We are pleased to welcome 317 new members and 277 new student associates who joined the Union in 2013. (see the list of new members)

In Memory
- Donald Bogue (1918-2014)
- Ladislav Růžička (1920-2013)

Submit your news and announcements
We need you to share news from your institution and region so that we can keep all IUSSP members informed about recent or forthcoming events and opportunities in the population field. IUSSP members are welcome to submit information for inclusion in the newsletter and on the IUSSP website, especially information on upcoming events that would be of interest to the IUSSP membership such as conferences, job openings, post-doctoral positions, and research grants. Please send the information and any photos to contact@iussp.org and remember to include important dates for application deadlines. Information should be sent by email or in a Word document so that it can be edited. We look forward to hearing from you soon.
New Council

First meeting of the 2014-17 IUSSP Council.  
Report by France Meslé.

The new IUSSP Council met 30-31 January 2014 at IUSSP Secretariat headquarters at the Institut National d'Études Démographiques (INED) in Paris. The Council tackled a packed agenda for its first meeting. As incoming Secretary General and Treasurer and first time member of the IUSSP Council, I was aware of the enormity of the task that awaited me and fully appreciated the implication and dynamism of the Council members and the Secretariat. Under the firm and attentive chairmanship of Anastasia Gage, the Council members deliberated for two full days. The first order of business was for the new council members to get acquainted and familiarize the new “green” Council members with the association’s multiple activities. Among the many points on the agenda, IUSSP research and training activities were at the center of the discussion.

After listening to the very positive report about the Busan International Population Conference (2,100 participants, 268 sessions, 984 oral presentations, 485 posters), we were tasked with deciding the venue for the 2017 Conference. Two countries proposed to host the 2017 Conference during the Busan Conference: South Africa and India. Taking into consideration the formal proposals submitted in December 2013, the Council decided to accept the proposal from South Africa, contingent upon a successful site inspection tour (see related article). The proposal from India also received much interest and the Council actively encouraged the Indian members to resubmit their project in 2016 for the 2021 Conference. The decision for the 2021 Conference host will be made in early 2017. The Council decided to move up the dates for bids by one year, as 4 years is now the minimum amount of time required to adequately organize such a meeting and assure the availability of conference facilities.

The second item on the agenda concerned the Scientific Panels. Three new panels were created on spatial demography, historical demography and language and population studies, and the mandates of six panels created by the previous Council were extended by one to two years. At the end of 2014, seven panels will complete their mandate. The Council, therefore, decided to send out a call for new panel proposals addressing nine priority themes (link to call for panel suggestions here). In early 2015, the Council will select several new panels from the suggestions received from the membership.

Seminars organized by the IUSSP Scientific Panels are irreplaceable as a venue for discussion and exchange on population research and policy questions. These meetings, however, can only include a small number of researchers. The Council has thus begun to think about other types of structures and activities that will enable a maximum number of members to be informed about and participate in debates of interest to demographers and those working in the population field. For instance, the IUSSP website could host forums or blog pages dedicated to topics of particular interest to members. As a pilot, it was decided to start a forum on population ageing. We will keep you informed of future developments.

The Council also reviewed the past training activities the IUSSP has undertaken with funding from UNFPA and The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. Open distance learning materials—Tools for Demographic Estimation and Population Analysis for Policies and Programmes—developed with funding provided by UNFPA are now available on the IUSSP website. The IUSSP has also collaborated on a project to reinforce demographic training in
Francophone Africa, organizing training workshops on advanced statistical methods and Q-GIS in Dakar, Marrakech, Ouagadougou, and Yaoundé. This project has been refinanced by the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation to continue on through to 2015.

Reinforcing ties with regional population associations (ALAP, APA, EAPS, PAA, UAPS) was next on the agenda. The Council decided that IUSSP should have a more regular presence at conferences organized by these associations. IUSSP will set up a stand to present IUSSP activities and IUSSP Scientific Panel’s will be asked to organize a special IUSSP session at these conferences. The regional associations will in return be given a dedicated page on the IUSSP website to advertise their activities and they will be asked to organize sessions at the IUSSP general Conference in 2017.

The Council strongly encouraged the IUSSP officers to make use of IUSSP’s special consultative status with the United Nation’s Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). This status gives IUSSP the right to participate in and present statements on issues concerning population questions at meetings organized by the United Nations and associated UN bodies. Using this prerogative, Anastasia Gage made a statement at the most recent meeting of the Commission on Population and Development this past April.

Finally the Council had the pleasure to bestow the 2014 IUSSP Laureate on Thérèse Locoh.

Many other subjects were discussed at this first meeting: the new website, publication policy, new potential funding sources to assure the continuation of IUSSP activities, and the 2013 accounts, which were formally approved by email in May. For maximum efficiency, the Council members were assigned to serve on one of seven committees (list and membership below). These committees have already begun their work. Future issues of this newsletter will enable you to keep abreast of each committee’s progress.

**Publication Committee**: Ann Biddlecom, Øystein Kravdal, Parfait Eloundou Enyegue, Sureeporn Punpuing, France Meslé, (Paul Monet - Secretariat).

**Fundraising Committee**: Sajeda Amin, Ann Biddlecom, Anastasia Gage, Øystein Kravdal (Mary Ellen Zuppan - Secretariat).

**Training Committee**: Parfait Eloundou Enyegue, Fatima Juarez, Sajeda Amin, Tom LeGrand (Mary Ellen Zuppan - Secretariat).

**Website Committee**: David Lam, Tom Moultrie, Tom LeGrand, France Meslé (Philippe Migrenne - Secretariat).

**Constitutional Amendment Committee**: Tom Moultrie, Edith Pantelides, France Meslé (Paul Monet - Secretariat).

**Steering Committee for the 2017 International Population Conference**: Tom Moultrie, Parfait Eloundou Enyegue, France Meslé, Tom LeGrand, Anastasia Gage (Mary Ellen Zuppan - Secretariat).

**Committee for the Call for suggestions for Scientific Panels**: Tom Moultrie, Edith Pantelides, Fatima Juarez, Ann Biddlecom, Anastasia Gage (Paul Monet - Secretariat).
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New website and profile pages
The new website opened in October 2012 in time to receive submissions for the XXVII IUSSP Conference. We have since been working to slowly improve the website’s many new features. In this article, we highlight and provide instructions for a few features we believe will facilitate international collaboration between members.

Members
Important sections of the IUSSP website are restricted to members in good standing: the membership directory, member profile pages and working papers from IUSSP seminars. Some features will only appear when you are logged in. As members you should therefore always log in to benefit from the full website and keep membership up-to-date so you can always access these features.

How to log in?
To log in, click on the green “Login” button at the top right of the home page and type in your email and password. Once you have successfully logged in, a welcome notice with your name appears at the top right of the website. If you have forgotten your password, use the “forgot your password” link to reset your password. If your email has changed, please do not create a new account – login with the email you used in the past and modify your email address in your profile.

Accurate personal data
It is important for members to update their personal data as this information appears in other areas of the IUSSP website. For instance a member’s institutional affiliation will be displayed for paper authors in the online seminar or conference programme and in the membership directory.
Profile page

The new website provides members with a much more complete profile page… provided members take time to complete it. This profile can include a short biography and description of your current research interests, your publications, fields of study and specializations, regional focus, language skills, etc. as well as a downloadable CV, a photograph and links to personal or professional websites. Members’ profiles are accessible to other members through the Directory search tool.

To complete your profile, log in and go to “Membership” in the horizontal menu bar and click on “Edit my profile”.

The information in the first section, “My details”, is already filled in. If it is incorrect or no longer current, this is the moment to update this information.

You can also choose how you want your name to be displayed in the Directory profile. By default it is First-Middle-Last Name.

You can enter your institutional affiliation by selecting its name from a predefined reference list that uses institutional titles from their official website. This ensures consistent spelling and capitalization of institutions in our database. The list provides the name of most institutions in English, except for institutional titles in the following languages: French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian and Indonesian. To select an institution from the reference list, type a key word for your institution in the autocomplete field and then select your institution from the list.

If your institution is not on this list, please remember to keep the name short and choose the largest entity e.g. the university or ministry rather than the department. When necessary, please indicate the country as well, e.g. Ministry of Health (Uganda). If you want to include your department, add it in the “current function/position” field, e.g. “full Professor and Chair, Department of Demography.”

Do not forget to click “save” at the bottom of the page before moving to another page.
The other fields of the member profile can be filled by going to the headers in the right-hand column. For instance, you can update your mailing address in “My contact information”; select your areas of specialization, regional focus or working languages in “My areas of specialization”; in “My CV, you can upload a curriculum vitae, but we also encourage you to post a short biography and list your main publications.

For a better looking profile page, please copy-paste your text into Notepad to remove all formatting, then copy the plain text into the “WYSIWYG” text field and use the formatting options in the Tool Bar to italicise, bold, or underline text.

Once you are done, you should click on “View my directory profile” to make sure it is displayed the way you want.

See for example Tom LeGrand’s profile page:
Find a member

The Directory search is accessed by clicking on “Find a member” in the quick links of the home page. This tool allows you to search for specific individuals, by typing their name or part of their name, or to search for a list of members who meet one or more of the search criteria. Fill in or select your fields and then scroll down to the bottom of the page to click on “search” (we hope to move this button to the top of the page soon).

The results of your search will appear in a table where you can access members’ profiles by clicking on their last name (left column).

Here are some of examples illustrating the features of the search tool:

*You can type in “legrand” and click search. Tom LeGrand will appear in the table and you can access his profile and contact information.

*You can also simply type “Legr” and then click search and find all the members whose name (first or last) contains the sequence “legr”.

*You can search for student members based in Burkina Faso, anthropologists who speak Arabic, Ageing specialists who focus on East Asia, Population Council staff, or graduates of University of Pennsylvania.

The search tool will only find current members and only if they have accurately filled out the fields in the profile. So please complete your profile and keep your membership current!
Site Visit to Cape Town

XXVIII International Population Conference: Site Inspection Tour of Cape Town, South Africa

At the January 2014 IUSSP Council meeting, the Council accepted South Africa’s proposal to host the XXVIII International Population Conference in Cape Town the week of 29 October to 4 November 2017, contingent upon a successful site visit. Anastasia Gage, IUSSP President, and Mary Ellen Zuppan, IUSSP Executive Director, joined Council member Tom Moultrie in Cape Town, South Africa on 14-18 April 2014 to tour the Cape Town International Conference Centre (CTICC) and meet with host country organizers. Statistics South Africa will be the primary organization hosting the Conference, with support from many other IUSSP members and their institutions in South Africa.

The site visit was a resounding success. Cape Town offers excellent facilities and accommodations that meet the Conference requirements and which will ensure an enabling environment for scientific exchanges, professional networking, and social interactions for all who attend the 2017 International Population Conference – the first IUSSP General Conference to be held in sub-Saharan Africa. The Cape Town International Conference Centre (CTICC) is a state-of-the-art facility with two auditoriums that together can accommodate up to 2,100 participants for the opening and closing ceremonies, a large ballroom and exhibit space with natural lighting and views of Table Mountain, and meeting rooms for up to 12 simultaneous sessions.

The CTICC is within walking distance of the Victoria and Albert Waterfront as well as being close to the downtown area with many hotels and restaurants. Participants can easily get around Cape Town using reliable public transportation and the Cape Peninsula using hop-on-hop-off tour buses.

Cape Town, set against the backdrop of Table Mountain, offers a uniquely beautiful setting for the XXVIII International Population Conference with something for everyone. For those interested in learning more about South African history and the legacy of apartheid, there are trips to Robben Island, guided tours of Cape Town’s city center and neighborhoods as well as nearby townships, and museums chronicling the Cape’s history.
For nature lovers there is the Kristenbosch National Botanical Garden, hikes up to Table Mountain or a gondola ride for the less athletically inclined, and whale watching along the coast. And of course there are beautiful beaches, vineyards and tours of the wineries. Plenty to keep accompanying family members, partners and friends entertained during the day, and for participants to enjoy in the evenings and before and after the Conference.

After touring Cape Town, Mary Ellen and Anastasia travelled to Pretoria to meet with Pali Lehohla, Statistician General for South Africa and his team at Statistics South Africa. Pali Lehohla sees the Conference as an excellent opportunity to emphasize the importance of population data and the population sciences for their role in providing the knowledge base for policy making and planning to assure a better future for all South Africans. He hopes the conference will encourage young South Africans to study population sciences and statistics.

We look forward to working with Statistics South Africa and the Cape Town International Convention Centre on the Conference. IUSSP and Statistics South Africa are currently negotiating the terms of the final contract. Soon we will be issuing a call for suggestions to you, the members, for session topics to be considered during the first meeting of International Organizing Committee (IOC) in early 2015.
Busan Conference Report

The 2013 Busan Conference

The XXVII International Population Conference was held in Busan, Korea, from 26 to 31 August 2013. Over 2,100 population scientists, students and policy makers from 106 countries attended the conference to present and share their research and/or exchange on population issues in formal and informal events planned during the Conference. The IUSSP is very grateful to the Korean National Organizing Committee (NOC) for their extraordinary hospitality and the efforts they made to organize this Conference.

All conference abstracts and/or papers, PowerPoints of presentations made in plenary sessions and a complete Conference Report are available on the Busan Conference page IUSSP website.

A survey of participants conducted shortly after the Conference showed that the Conference was a very positive experience for a large majority of respondents. Results show in particular that respondents appreciated the scientific quality of the Conference as well as their stay in Busan.

Conference figures:

- 4,159 submissions to the Call for Papers
- 1,469 total communications accepted on the programme
- 984 papers presented in the 268 regular sessions
- 485 posters presented in the 4 Poster sessions
- 2,459 population scientists listed as authors, session chairs and discussants
- 8 NOC sessions on Asia Pacific
- 4 plenary sessions
- 3 sessions on training (in addition to the 10 side meetings dedicated to training)
- 25 side meetings organized by 27 institutions
- 32 exhibit booths
Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony included live addresses by Park Un-tae (IOC President), Peter McDonald (IUSSP President), Chin Young (Minister of Health and Welfare), and Hur Nam-sik (Mayor of Busan Metropolitan City); video addresses by Park Geun-hye (President of the Republic of Korea), Ban Ki-moon (United Nations Secretary-General), and Babatunde Osotimehin (UNFPA Executive Director); and a keynote speech by François Héran (former Director of INED, the French national institute of demographic studies) on “Fertility and family-support policies: what can be learned from the European experiences?”.

It was followed by a performance by the dance troupe Little Angels Children’s Folk Ballet of Korea and then by a Welcome Reception hosted by the Mayor of Busan Metropolitan City.

Plenary Sessions

UNFPA Plenary: Population in the post-2015 Development Agenda
Chair: François Farah (United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))
- Demographic trends and implications for development
  John Bongaarts, Population Council
- Demographic trends in the context of the global thematic consultation on population dynamics
  John Wilmoth, United Nations Population Division
- Linkages between population and sustainable development in the Post-2015 Development Agenda
  Monica Das Gupta, University of Maryland

NOC Asia-Pacific Plenary: Economic development, information technology, and demographic processes
Chair: Eui Hang Shin (Seoul National University)
- Demography Transition of Korea
  Eui Hang Shin, Seoul National University, Keong-Suk Park, Seoul National University
- Digital Ageing as a Solution for Population Ageing
  Sang-Chul Park, Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology
IUSSP Plenary Debate: For developing countries, economic development needs to be a higher priority than environmental protection and conservation of natural resources
Chair: Peter McDonald (Australian National University)

- **In support of the statement**
  - Alex Chika Ezeh, African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC)
- **Against the statement**
  - Stan Becker, Johns Hopkins University
- **In support of the statement**
  - David Lam, University of Michigan
- **Against the statement**
  - Eliya Msiyaphazi Zulu, African Institute for Development Policy (AFIDEP)

IUSSP Plenary on How families will change in the next 20 years
Chair: Peter McDonald (Australian National University)

- **Africa**
  - Jennifer Johnson-Hanks, UC Berkeley
- **Asia**
  - Gavin W. Jones, National University of Singapore
- **Europe**
  - Wendy Sigle-Rushton, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)
- **Latin America**
  - Albert Esteve Palos, Centre d'Estudis Demografics

Closing Ceremony

The Closing Ceremony included closing addresses by Park Un-tae (IOC President), Peter McDonald (outgoing IUSPP President), a presentation by the recipient of the 2013 IUSSP–Mattei Dogan Foundation Award for Comparative Research in Demography, Gunnar Andersson (Stockholm University), and a speech by the incoming IUSSP President for 2014-2017, Anastasia Gage (Tulane University). These addresses were followed by the Poster Awards Ceremony, presided by Myoung-Ock Ahn (CHA Univeristy), and by a speech on behalf of Junior Demographers given by Hasnani Rangkuti (Australian National University).

2013 IUSSP-Mattei Dogan Foundation Award for Comparative Research in Demography
Gunnar Andersson, Stockholm University

Closing address from the incoming IUSSP President
Anastasia Gage, Tulane University
Poster Awards
The IUSSP Council selected the best poster from each daily Poster Session. The 4 distinguished posters are listed below:

How informative are vital registration data for estimating maternal mortality? A Bayes-ian analysis of WHO adjustment data and parameters • Fengqing Chao and Leontine Alkema, National University of Singapore.


Sex-Selection in Pakistan: uncovering the truth • R. Batool Zaidi and Phil Morgan, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Household demographic and socio-economic predictors of agricultural practices, land use and environmental degradation perception of the Paute catchment (Ecuador) • Raul Vanegas, Fabrice F.D. Demoulin and Sabine JF Henry, University of Namur.

IUSSP General Assembly
The 27th General Assembly of the IUSSP brought together approximately 300 IUSSP members. Emily Grundy (Secretary General and Treasurer) reported on the Union’s activities and financial situation. Peter McDonald (IUSSP President) presented the report of the 2010-2013 Committee on Nominations and presented the list of candidates proposed by Council for the 2014-2017 Committee on Nominations. The General Assembly ended with statements from two countries, South Africa and India, wishing to host the 2017 International Population Conference. The General Assembly report is available on the IUSSP website.

2013 IUSSP Laureate
John Bongaarts (Population Council) received the 23rd IUSSP Laureate Award during a ceremony following the IUSSP General Assembly on Thursday 28 August.
Side meetings and exhibit booths
Conference participants could visit booths set up by 32 institutions, publishers, research institutes and other organizations working in the population field. Twenty-five side meetings were organized during the Conference. The Conference evaluation conducted after the conference indicated good attendance with 89% of respondents visiting the exhibit booths and 56% attending at least one side meeting.

Social and cultural activities
In addition to the Welcome Reception hosted by the Mayor of Busan Metropolitan City on Monday 26 August, the Korean NOC organized a special banquet dinner for all delegates of the Conference on Wednesday 28 August.

Participants
Based on the 1,264 participants who registered online before the conference, the gender distribution was fairly balanced on the whole: 628 women (49.7%) and 636 men (50.3%). The proportion of women was higher for participants under 34. Participants younger than 34 accounted for 33% of all participants.

Participants hailed from all regions of the globe, but more than half the participants were from Asia; not a surprise given the location of the conference.

Most participants were scholars and researchers (45%) or students (32%), but there were also many who worked for national governments, international and national NGOs (19%).
Laureate 2014 Thérèse Locoh

The Laureate Ceremony took place at the European Population Conference, Budapest, Saturday 28 June 2014.

Thérèse Locoh, an active member of the IUSSP since 1965, has been elected the 2014 IUSSP Laureate for her important contributions to demographic research on family, fertility, and gender in Africa. She was one of the first French-speaking demographers to perceive the key role of gender relations in demographic behaviour. As a member of the IUSSP Committee on the Comparative Analysis of Fertility, she helped to organize a major conference and co-edited with Veronique Hertrich, The Onset of Fertility Transition in Sub-Saharan Africa (OE, 1994). She also played key roles in the establishment of population studies in Francophone West Africa and elsewhere notably setting up the Unité de recherche démographique (URD) at the University of Benin, in Lome, Togo in 1975, and later she was involved in establishing the Union for African Population Studies (UAPS). In France, she worked mainly for the French Population and Development Research Centre (CEPED) and the French national institute for population studies (INED). Thérèse Locoh retired in 2003 but continues to contribute to research and scientific publications and serves as a scientific consultant for the URD and as a member of the "Culture, Gender and Development" scientific committee of UAPS.

This is but a very small list of Therese Locoh’s many contributions to the field. For a full list of her accomplishments and contributions please read the letter of nomination.

IUSSP Laureate Award 2015. Call for nominations

Deadline: 1 November 2014

Would you like one of your colleagues to be honoured for their decisive contribution to the advancement of demography and population research? Do not hesitate to round up support and propose a nomination for the 2015 IUSSP Laureate award. Your colleague may become the next IUSSP Laureate, following in the footsteps of past IUSSP Laureates Louis Henry, Nora Federici, Samuel Preston, Jane Menken, John Bongaarts and Thérèse Locoh ...

To be eligible for consideration, an individual must have been a member of the IUSSP for at least 20 years. Outstanding contributions to the advancement of population sciences and distinguished service rendered to the Union and the profession are factors that will be taken into consideration by the IUSSP Council in selecting the 2015 Laureate. Members of Council and Honorary Presidents may not be nominated for the award. The nomination letter should include a supporting statement and be signed by at least five current IUSSP members of different nationalities. The IUSSP Council members select the winning Laureate candidate by secret ballot, and therefore they should not be contacted to nominate or support individual candidates. The letter of nomination and all supporting documents should be sent to the IUSSP Secretariat in Paris to the attention of the Executive Director, Mary Ellen Zuppan, by 1 November 2014.

Procedure:
- Please send Word and pdf files of the nomination letter and nominee’s curriculum vitae by email to: zuppan@iussp.org.
- Email submissions of support letters with electronic signatures will be accepted.
- Please include “IUSSP 2015 Laureate Nomination” in the subject line of the email.

*For the list of past IUSSP Laureates: http://www.iussp.org/en/about/awards
*For the list of current Council members and Honorary Presidents: http://www.iussp.org/en/iussp-governance
*Membership directory: http://www.iussp.org/membership/directory_search
Applications remain valid for two years.
Proposals for new IUSSP panels

One of the main functions of the IUSSP is to stimulate and consolidate high-level scientific research on critical population issues and to develop and improve training and research in the population field. IUSSP Scientific Panels play a key role in implementing this work programme. The IUSSP Council is seeking proposals from the membership for new Scientific Panels to be created for the 2015-2017 period.

Deadline for submissions: 1 December 2014.

The Union seeks to represent and reflect the views of its members. The Council, in carrying out its mandate to set the Union’s scientific programme, will review all proposals submitted by IUSSP members, prioritize proposals for new panels, and, if needed, merge proposals, propose other topics or select individuals to chair new panels.

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