

International Symposium on Business and Industrial Statistics (ISBIS-2010) **Portoroz, Slovenia, July 5 – 9, 2010**

Funding from the World Bank for Participants from Developing Countries

The next International Symposium on Business and Industrial Statistics (ISBIS-2010) will be held in Portoroz, Slovenia during July 5-9, 2010. See <http://www.action-m.com/isbis2010/> for details. ISBIS-2010 is the biennial conference of the International Society of Business and Industrial Statistics (ISBIS), an international association that operates under the umbrella of the International Statistical Institute (ISI).

The World Bank has provided funds through the ISI to provide partial support for a limited number of participants from developing countries for ISBIS-2010. The support will cover registration fees. In selected cases funding will also provide partial support for travel and hotel expenses. This additional amount will vary depending on the number of applicants and their needs. We plan to support the participation of at least 15 persons with these funds.

Eligibility Criteria:

You will need to comply with the following requirements:

- a) You need to be a member of ISBIS; if you are not currently a member, you can join the society prior to participation in the conference. See <http://www.isbis.org/membership.html> for information on how to become a member.
- b) You must be a citizen and full-time resident of a developing country according to the World Bank list of developing countries (see below).
- c) You need to present an invited or contributed paper. You should submit your abstract through the website at http://www.action-m.com/isbis2010/submission_form.php. The deadline for submission is March 31, 2010.

Application Process for Funding:

Please send a copy of your CV, proof of citizenship and residency in a developing country, abstract¹ of your talk, and a one-page cover letter (that includes rationale for the funding request, the amount of funding requested, and how you will cover the remaining costs to participate in the conference). The goal of the grant from World Bank is capacity building in developing countries, so your cover letter should indicate clearly how your participation in ISBIS 2010 will contribute to this goal.

The application should be submitted via e-mail to Dr. Yves Grize, President of ISBIS at isbis.wbfund@gmx.net. The application must be received by March 31, 2010.

Successful applicants will be notified by April 20, 2010.

¹ The maximum length of an Abstract should be no more than an A4 page (approximately 400 – 450 words). Please use only plain English text, with no formulas (*i.e.* no Tex or LaTeX). It can be the same as the one submitted via the web site (see (c) above).

2009 LIST OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Afghanistan	Dominican Republic	Macedonia, FYR	Serbia
Albania	Ecuador	Madagascar	Seychelles
Algeria	Egypt, Arab Rep.	Malawi	Sierra Leone
American Samoa	El Salvador	Malaysia	Solomon Islands
Angola	Eritrea	Maldives	Somalia
Argentina	Ethiopia	Mali	South Africa
Armenia	Fiji	Marshall Islands	Sri Lanka
Azerbaijan	Gabon	Mauritania	St. Kitts and Nevis
Bangladesh	Gambia, The	Mauritius	St. Lucia
Belarus	Georgia	Mayotte	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Belize	Ghana	Mexico	Sudan
Benin	Grenada	Micronesia, Fed. Sts.	Suriname
Bhutan	Guatemala	Moldova	Swaziland
Bolivia	Guinea	Mongolia	Syrian Arab Republic
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Guinea-Bissau	Montenegro	Tajikistan
Botswana	Guyana	Morocco	Tanzania
Brazil	Haiti	Mozambique	Thailand
Bulgaria	Honduras	Myanmar	Timor-Leste
Burkina Faso	India	Namibia	Togo
Burundi	Indonesia	Nepal	Tonga
Cambodia	Iran, Islamic Rep.	Nicaragua	Tunisia
Cameroon	Iraq	Niger	Turkey
Cape Verde	Jamaica	Nigeria	Turkmenistan
Central African Republic	Jordan	Pakistan	Uganda
Chad	Kazakhstan	Palau	Ukraine
Chile	Kenya	Panama	Uruguay
China	Kiribati	Papua New Guinea	Uzbekistan
Colombia	Korea, Dem. Rep.	Paraguay	Vanuatu
Comoros	Kyrgyz Republic	Peru	Venezuela, RB
Congo, Dem. Rep.	Lao PDR	Philippines	Vietnam
Congo, Rep.	Latvia	Poland	West Bank and Gaza
Costa Rica	Lebanon	Romania	Yemen, Rep.
Côte d'Ivoire	Lesotho	Russian Federation	Zambia
Croatia	Liberia	Rwanda	Zimbabwe
Cuba	Libya	Samoa	
Djibouti	Lithuania	São Tomé and Príncipe	
Dominica		Senegal	

Source: World Bank, July 2008. Geographic classifications and data reported for geographic regions are for low-income and middle-income economies, as defined by the World Bank - <http://web.worldbank.org/>. Total of 144 countries.