

**Committee of Women in Statistics
Country Representative & Reception Facilitator Meeting
Monday, August 22, 13:30 – 15:00.**

AGENDA

- Introductions
- Update/report on ISI Committee on Women in Statistics (Cynthia)
- Events at Dublin ISI Meeting
 - Monday, August 22, 13:30 – 15:00, Pegasus 1, Clarion Hotel. Country Representative & Reception Facilitator Meeting
 - Tuesday, August 23, 11:15 – 13:30, Wicklow Hall 1. STS039, “Women in the Labor Market: Facts and Challenges in the Arab Region.” (5 papers in a session organized by Ola Awad, country representative from Palestine)
 - Wednesday, August 24, 17:30 – 19:00; Women’s Networking, Conference Centre Foyer and Liffey A
 - Friday, August 26, 8:30 – 10:45; Wicklow Suite 2B. IPS025, “Women’s Role in Fighting Poverty and the Informal Economy”. (3 papers and a discussant in a session organized by Denise Silva, committee member for South America)
 - Friday, August 26, 13:30 – 15:00, Club Room, Clarion Hotel. Committee Member Meeting
- Women’s Networking Reception
 - Reception plan
 - Instructions for Facilitators
- Country Reports – Share experiences in following areas:
 - Networking
 - Country Reports
 - Nominations of women to ISI
- Strengthening the role of women statisticians in the ISI and other professional communities
- Other items

NOTES

Attendees.

Committee Members. Cynthia Clark, chair; Penny Bidgood, incoming chair; Grace Bediako, Martha Farrar, Tae Rim Lee, Sharleen Forbes, Awa Thiongane

Country Representatives. Diana Stukel, Ola Awad

Reception Roundtable Facilitators. Amanda Golbeck, Manal Sweidan, Kimberly Fisher, Mary Bohman, Bronwyn Harch, Marian Scott, Ann Maharaj, Rina Camporese.

Others. Khitam Baern, Palestine; Sauson Al-lawata, Oman

After introductions, Cynthia went through the details of the various CWS sponsored events at the ISI meeting. Particular attention was given to the details of the Women's Networking Reception so that the committee members, country representatives, and reception facilitators could help with the logistics of the reception. The drinks and icebreakers will be held in one of the conference center foyers; the roundtable discussions would be held in a room being set up during the first part of the reception. All the material for facilitators, including table assignment and instructions will be available at a table as individuals enter the lobby from the escalator or elevator.

Cynthia next focuses on ideas that country representatives or attendees wanted to mention that had been successful in their country.

- Manal Sweidan (Jordan) mentioned the upcoming United Nations Statistics Division Forum on Gender that will be held in March 2012. More information can be found on the U.N. website.
- Sharlene Forbes (New Zealand and committee member) mentioned the conference that she organized on World Statistics Day – 2010 Oct 20. The all day event was held at a university with the Women's Minister keynoting the event. She arranged for a well known journalist to be chair of the event. This was a very enlightening event.
- Awa Thiongane noted that eight African women lead National Statistical Offices. These women are playing an important role in mentoring young statisticians.
- Amanda Golbeck mentioned the conference that the Caucus on Women in Statistics is sponsoring in 2013. They hope to promote career pathways and highlight professional development activities.

Cynthia asked for suggestions to help promote the committee. Mary Bohman suggested a prize for recognition for the best paper on gender issues. The award could be given at a session meeting or some ISI event.

The meeting adjourned shortly before 3 pm to allow attendees to get to the next session.