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Dear IARIW Members,

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

2010 General Conference

The 31th IARIW General Conference took place in St. Gallen, Switzerland, August 21-28. By all accounts the event was a great success, with a record 300 delegates, many first-rate papers on a wide range of income and wealth topics, terrific weather, and a beautiful venue. On behalf of the IARIW Council, I would like to thank all paper givers, discussants and chairs for their contributions to the success of this event. The IARIW would also like to thank the Federal Statistical Office of Switzerland for the excellent job they did organizing the conference and their warm hospitality. All conference papers are posted at <http://www.iariw.org/c2010.php>.

Council Election

Six persons ran for the biennial election to Council, which took place shortly before the General Conference. The three persons elected to Council for the 2010-2016 term are: Erwin Diewert (University of British Columbia), Sylvie Michaud (Statistics Canada) and Albert Braakmann (German Federal Statistical Office). In addition to the three new elected members, the Council appointed three co-opted members for the 2010-2012 term: Prasada Rao (University of Queensland), Riaan Grobler (Statistics South Africa), and Steve Landefeld (U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis). The list of Council members and brief bios are posted at <http://www.iariw.org/councilmain.php>.

Members Meeting

The annual IARIW Members meeting was held at the General Conference. Reports from the Treasurer, Executive Director, and Editors of the *Review of Income and Wealth* were presented to the membership. At the meeting, the outgoing Chair of the Association, Andrea Brandolini (Bank of Italy) introduced the in-coming, Peter van de Ven (Statistics Netherlands). The IARIW financial statement for 2009 is posted at <http://www.iariw.org/Fin-2009.pdf>, the report of the Executive Director is posted at <http://www.iariw.org/E2009-2010.pdf>, and the report of the Editors of the *Review of Income and Wealth* is posted at <http://www.iariw.org/EditorialReport2010.pdf>.

2011 Special Conferences

The year 2011 will be a busy one for the Association, with the organization of two special conferences. In partnership with Statistics South Africa, the IARIW will organize a conference on experiences and challenges in measuring income, wealth, poverty and well-being in Africa. This conference will be held September 28-October 1, 2011 in Cape Town. The call for papers is posted at <http://www.iariw.org/call2011.pdf> and will be published in the December 2010 issue of the *Review of Income and Wealth*. Members are encouraged to submit proposals. The deadline for submissions is February 28, 2011.

The second special conference will be co-organized with the OECD and will be on the measurement, causes and policy implications of economic insecurity. The conference will be held in Paris at the OECD, November 22-23, 2011. The call for papers is posted at <http://www.iariw.org/call2011oecd.pdf> and will be published in the December 2010 issue of the *Review of Income and Wealth*. The deadline for submissions is April 1, 2011.

2012 General Conference

Arrangements have begun for the 32th IARIW General Conference which will take place in Cambridge, Massachusetts August 5-12, 2012. Local arrangements will be handled by the US Bureau of Economic Analysis and National Bureau of Economic Research. The opening plenary session and possibly other sessions will be joint with the Association's US counterpart, the Conference on Research in Income and Wealth (CRIW), which is holding a conference August 6-7 in the same hotel. Although the deadline for submissions of proposals (August 31, 2011) is still ten months away, the detailed call for papers is already posted on the IARIW website at <http://www.iariw.org/call2012.pdf>. It will also be published in the December 2010 issue of the *Review of Income and Wealth*.

Review of Income and Wealth

The Association's website that archives IARIW publications, including *the Review of Income and Wealth*, has been updated with the files for all RIW issues published in 2007. It is available without password and charge at www.roiw.org.

If you have any questions or concerns with the Association, please contact me at any time.

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