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*The IUSSP Officers and Secretariat
wish you all a happy holiday season
and New Year!*

New Council 2018-2021

Elections for the 2018-2021 IUSSP Council and for the 2021 Committee on Nominations were held this year from 30 July to 1 October 2017. A total of 979 of the 1,898 eligible members (51.6%) took part in this vote. The first Council meeting will take place in Paris, 20-21 March 2018. ([See elections results](#))



IUSSP General Assembly

The 28th IUSSP General Assembly was held in Cape Town, South Africa on 30 October and 1 November 2017. Secretary General and Treasurer France Meslé reported on activities and finances for the past four years. The General Assembly also confirmed the election of the Committee on Nominations and approved the Constitutional amendments. ([Read more](#))



Constitutional revision – Vote before 31 Dec

Please help the IUSSP reach 50% participation by 31 December to avoid extending the vote for another period of 6 weeks. You can vote **for** or **against** the revision... and if you do not know how to vote, please vote... and select **abstain!** The current participation rate is just over 42%. (*A reminder with ballot information will be sent to members on the electoral list who have not yet voted*). ([Read more](#))



IPC 2017

Thank you all for making it a great IPC!

The IUSSP thanks all those who participated in making the XXVIII International Population Conference in Cape Town such a great success. Read or watch the highlights of the conference, access papers, see photos, and discover the preliminary results of the conference survey. ([Read more](#))



IPC2021 Hyderabad

The IUSSP Council selected the bid submitted by the Indian Association for Study of Population to host the 2021 International Population Conference in Hyderabad, India. We are certain that our many Indian colleagues within the IUSSP will make this Conference another memorable event. ([Read more](#))



Data Revolution activities

The IUSSP organized 3 preconference activities at IPC2017, hosted by the University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business. If you missed these workshops, note that several workshops on similar methods are to take place right before the 2018 PAA (26-28 April).

Bayesian Population Projections

The training course on Bayesian population projections: theory and practice, held on 28-29 October, was conducted by Adrian Raftery and Hana Ševčíková from the University of Washington.



Geospatial Demography

The seminar on Geospatial Demography: Combining Satellite, Survey, Census and Cellphone Data to Provide Small area estimates, held on 29 October, was run by Andy Tatem of the University of Southampton and director of WorldPop and Flowminder.



Digital Demography

The training workshop on Social Media, Big Data and Digital Demography, held on 29 October, was facilitated by Emilio Zagheni and Connor Gilroy from University of Washington.



Francophone Network

FraNet at the IPC2017

20 members of the IUSSP Network for Strengthening Demographic Training in Francophone Africa (FraNet) attended and presented many papers at the XXVIII International Population Conference in Cape Town, South Africa, 29 Oct-3 Nov 2017. ([Read more](#))



FraNet and the demographic dividend

The Francophone Network organized 2 side meetings at the IPC2017 in Cape Town, on 29 October 2017, in which they presented all their past and future activities related to the analysis of the demographic dividend in Africa. ([Read more](#))



IUSSP & the United Nations

IUSSP statement on migration

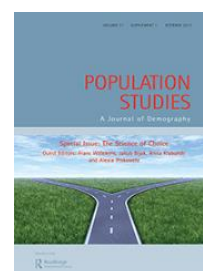
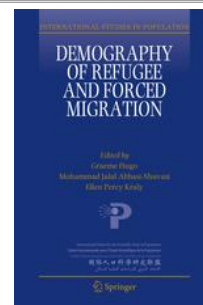
In response to resolution 71/280, in which the General Assembly of the United Nations invited scientific and knowledge-based institutions to contribute to the preparatory process of elaborating the Global Compact on Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration, an IUSSP ad hoc panel

prepared a statement to which IUSSP members were invited to contribute. The finalized statement, approved by the IUSSP Council, was submitted to the UN on 30 November. ([Read more](#))

Recent Publications

(based on IUSSP seminars)

- [Demography of Refugee and Forced Migration](#), edited by Graeme Hugo, Mohammad Jalal Abbasi-Shavazi and Ellen Percy Kraly, Springer, 2018. The volume is based on an IUSSP Seminar held in Tehran, 14-16 May 2012, organized by the [IUSSP Scientific Panel on the Demography of Refugee and Forced Migration](#).
- [Special issue on The Science of Choice](#). Supplement to *Population Studies*, October 2017, edited by Frans Willekens, Jakub Bijak, Anna Klabunde and Alexia Prskawetz. The publication is an outcome of the workshop organized by the [IUSSP Scientific Panel on Microsimulation and Agent-Based Modelling](#).



IUSSP Laureate

Laureate Ceremony – José Miguel Guzmán

IUSSP President, Anastasia Gage presented the 2017 IUSSP Laureate Award to José Miguel Guzmán at the XXVIII International Population Conference in Cape Town, South Africa on 30 October 2017. ([Read more](#))



2018 Laureate Nominations

Would you like one of your colleagues to be honoured for their decisive contribution to the advancement of demography and population research? Round up support and propose a nomination for the 2018 Laureate award. Deadline for complete nominations is 15 January. ([Read more](#))

News from the members

Members' new publications

- *Demography of Refugee and Forced Migration*, edited by Graeme Hugo, Mohammad Jalal Abbasi-Shavazi and Ellen Percy Kraly.
 - *Routledge Handbook of Asian Demography*, edited by: Zhongwei Zhao and Adrian Hayes.
 - *Internal Migration in the Developed World: Are We Becoming Less Mobile?*, edited by Tony Champion, Thomas Cooke and Ian Shuttleworth.
 - Special Issue on Highly Skilled Migration and Global Economic Recession, in *Population, Space and Place*, Volume 22, Issue 5, July 2016, pages 403–503, edited by Cristina Bradatan.
 - Special issue on The Science of Choice. Supplement to *Population Studies*, October 2017, edited by Frans Willekens, Jakub Bijak, Anna Klabunde and Alexia Prskawetz.
 - *Ageing, Lifestyles and Economic Crises. The New People of the Mediterranean*, edited by Thierry Blöss, Isabelle Blöss-Widmer, Elena Ambrosetti, Michèle Pagès and Sébastien Oliveau.
- ([Read summaries](#))
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New IUSSP members

35 new members and 45 new student associates joined the IUSSP between 1 September and 30 November 2017. ([See list](#))

In memory

- Dirk Jaspers (1954-2017)



Regional population associations

PAA 2018 in Denver, 26-28 April

Information on registration, travel, pre-meeting workshops, networking and mentoring events, and exhibitor and sponsorship opportunities is now available on the PAA 2018 website. Those who have been selected to present **must register by 28 January 2018** to secure their spot in the programme. ([Read more](#))



2018 ALAP Congress in Puebla, Mexico

The VIII International Congress of the Latin American Population Association (ALAP) will take place in Puebla, Mexico, 23-26 October 2018. The main theme will be "Population and sustainable development: Public policies and developments in socio-demographic measurement." Deadline for abstract submissions: 5 March 2018. ([Read more](#))



Message from UAPS Secretariat

The UAPS Secretariat would like to remind its members to check and update their contact details online by logging into their UAPS account. In addition, the UAPS Secretariat would like to inform members that starting 2018, membership will expire when dues are unpaid for a year. To remain a UAPS member, pay in advance: when renewing membership, payment of 1 year's dues will add 12 months to the end-date of the current membership. ([Read more](#))



Other announcements

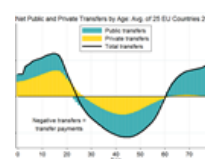
World Migration Report 2018

Since 2000, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) has been producing world migration reports to contribute to increased understanding of migration throughout the world. This new edition presents key data and information on migration as well as thematic chapters on highly topical migration issues. Watch [panel discussion](#) and read related [blog](#). ([Access the report as a whole or by separate chapters](#))



New European NTA and NTTA data

The European National Transfer Accounts (NTA) provide comprehensive and detailed age- and gender-specific economic data on income, transfers, consumption and saving in the year 2010 for 25 EU countries. National Time Transfer Accounts (NTTA) have also been set up based on time use data for 17 countries for services that are produced through unpaid work. ([Explore and download the new European NTA and NTTA data](#))



Population data visualisation competition

Australian Population Studies, a new open-access journal on Australian population issues, is pleased to announce a population data visualisation competition. Data visualisation is becoming increasingly significant in demography and the social sciences and the journal wishes to play a part in promoting and stimulating innovative and thought-provoking representations of population data. The competition is open to anyone anywhere in the world, though all data visualisations must relate to Australia. The winner will receive a \$500 prize. ([Read more](#))



European Young Researchers' Award

The prize is dedicated to post-doctoral fellows with maximum 5 years of experience. The Award consists of a certificate, waiving the participation fee to the EuroScience Open Forum (ESOF), a grant to cover travel and accommodation for the stay in the ESOF city and one year free EuroScience membership. The deadline is 30 January 2018. ([Read more](#))



PhD and Postdoctoral Fellowships at LSHTM

ESRC-funded PhD scholarships are available at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, to start in autumn 2018. (**Deadline 9 January 2018**) MRC-funded PhD studentships are also currently being advertised, to start in autumn 2018. (**Deadline 14 January 2018**) ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowships are now available and administered through the UBEL Doctoral Training Partnership. (**Deadline 23 March 2018**). ([Read more](#))



N-IUSSP

N-IUSSP's recent articles

- The pace of fertility decline in Sub-Saharan Africa, by David Shapiro and Andrew Hinde.
- Parental leave uptake among migrant and native mothers in Belgium, by Tine Kil, Jonas Wood and Karel Neels.
- Half the world's population reaching below replacement fertility, by Tomas Frejka.
- Smoking inequalities in France and the United States, by Fred Pampel, Damien Bricard, Myriam Khlal and Stéphane Legleye.
- Women's schooling, child mortality, and fertility in Sub-Saharan Africa, by David Shapiro and Michel Tenikue.
- The world in which the next 4 billion people will live, by Richard Grossman.
- Poverty is falling faster for female-headed households in Africa, by Dominique van de Walle and Annamaria Milazzo.
- Unstable union history linked to higher childhood mortality risk, by Laurie F. Derose.
- The Icelandic Saga. Fertility in the midst of delayed family formation, by Ari Klængur Jónsson.
- Are U.S. whites 'hunkering down' in racially-diverse cities and neighborhoods?, by Daniel T. Lichter, Domenico Parisi and Michael C. Taquino.
- Migration reduces climate risk for many but not for all, by Martina Grecequet and Jessica Hellmann.
- Immigrant receptivity and local area unemployment in the U.S., by Gordon F. De Jong, Deborah R. Graefe, Chris Galvan and Stephanie Howe Hasanali.

([Read articles](#))



Calls

Calls for Papers

- International Conference on Social Identity and Health 4, Lausanne, Switzerland, 12-14 July 2018. Deadline for submissions: 4 Jan 2018.
 - Pre-PAA African Population, Environment and Health Mini-Conference, Boulder (Colorado), United States, 25 April 2018. Deadline for applications: 10 Jan 2018.
 - REVES@30: Past, Present, and Future Trends in Population Health, Ann Arbor (Michigan), United States, 30 May-1 June 2018. Deadline for submissions: 30 Jan 2018.
 - 6th Migration Conference (TMC 2018), Lisbon, Portugal, 26-28 June 2018. Deadline for submissions: 31 Jan 2018.
 - Conference on the Postponement of Parenthood, Villa Vigoni, Lake Como, Italy, 3-6 September 2018. Deadline for submissions: 15 Feb 2018.
 - 5th Annual International Conference on Demography and Population Studies, Athens, Greece, 18-21 June 2018. Deadline for submissions: 19 Feb 2018.
 - Special issue of the African Population Studies (APS) journal (APS Vol 32, no. 2, 2018) on “Investing in Adolescent and Youth Sexual and Reproductive Health (AYSRH) in central African region.” Deadline for submissions: 28 Feb 2018.
 - The social impact of epidemics: A workshop marking 100 years of the Great Flu Epidemic of 1918, Oslo, Norway, 3-5 September 2018. Deadline for submissions: 15 March 2018.
 - Special Issue of Population and Environment on “Theoretical and Methodological Advances in Environmental Decision-Making Research.” Deadline for submissions: 15 May 2018.
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Training opportunities

- BIGSSS-LIVES Winter School on Life Course, Bremen, Germany, 12-18 March 2018. Deadline for applications: 29 Dec 2017.
 - ECSR Spring School 2018 on Work, Employment and Inequality, Turin, Italy, 19-23 March 2018. Deadline for applications: 4 Feb 2018.
 - Five-day intensive course on Causal Inference with Graphical Models, MPIDR, Rostock, Germany, 25-29 June 2018. Deadline for applications: 28 Feb 2018.
 - Rostock Retreat on Causality, MPIDR, Rostock, Germany, 2-4 July 2018. Deadline for applications: 28 Feb 2018.
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Job opportunities

Employment announcements

- Director and Editor-in-Chief, Reproductive Health Matters (RHM). Deadline for Applications: 8 Jan 2018.
 - 2 tenured researchers in Demography and associated disciplines, French Institute for Demographic Studies (INED). Deadline for Applications: 18 Jan 2018
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Research grants/fellowship/post docs

- Internship/Research Assistant - Social Sciences. U.N. Economic Commission for Africa. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Deadline for applications: 30 Dec 2017.
- Federal Institute for Population Research (BiB): 2 post-doctoral research fellows. 1 pre-doctoral research assistant. Deadline for applications: 31 Dec 2017.
- PhD Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR). Deadline for applications: 31 Dec 2017.
- PhD in Demography at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Deadline for applications: 8 Jan 2018.

- ESRC PhD studentships at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Deadline for applications: 9 Jan 2018.
- MRC PhD studentship at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Deadline for applications: 14 Jan 2018.
- ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowships at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Deadline for applications: 23 March 2018.

Calendar

Forthcoming IUSSP meetings & other events

- 4th Alpine Population Conference (Alp-Pop 2018), La Thuile, Aosta Valley (Italy), 14-17 Jan 2018.
- International Forum on Migration Statistics 2018, OECD, Paris, France, 15-16 Jan 2018.
- 9th Demographic Conference of "Young Demographers, Prague, Czech Republic, 15-16 Feb 2018.
- **IUSSP Seminar on New and Emerging Family Forms around the World**, Barcelona, Spain, 21-23 Mar 2018.
- Pre-PAA African Population, Environment and Health Mini-Conference at CU Boulder, Boulder, United States, 25 Apr 2018.
- 2018 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver, United States, 26-28 Apr 2018.
- International Sociological Association (ISA) Joint Conference for RC06 (Family) & RC41 (Population). Singapore, 17-19 May 2018.
- REVES@30: Past, Present, and Future Trends in Population Health, Ann Arbor (Michigan), United States, 30 May-1 June 2018.
- European Population Conference 2018 (EPC 2018). Brussels, Belgium, 6-9 June 2018.
- 5th Annual International Conference on Demography and Population Studies, Athens, Greece, 18-21 Jun 2018.
- 6th Migration Conference (TMC 2018), Lisbon, Portugal, 26-28 June 2018.
- XVIII World Economic History Congress - WEHC 2018, Boston, United States, 29 Jul-3 Aug 2018.
- 4th Asian Population Association (APA) Conference. Shanghai, China, 11-14 July 2018.
- International Conference on Social Identity and Health 4, Lausanne, Switzerland, 12-14 July 2018.
- XXe Colloque de l'AIDELF 2018, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgique, 28-31 Aug 2018.
- Conference on the Postponement of Parenthood, Villa Vigoni, Lake Como, Italy, 3-6 Sept 2018.
- 2018 World Social Science Forum. Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan. 25-28 Sept 2018.
- VIII International Congress of the Latin American Population Association (ALAP), Puebla, Mexico, 23-26 October 2018.

Submit your announcements

Feel free 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 on conferences, job openings, post-doctoral positions, and research grants for inclusion in the newsletter and IUSSP website. Please send the information to contact@iussp.org and remember to include important dates for application deadlines (and photos when appropriate). Information should be sent by email or in a Word document so that it can be edited. For inclusion in the next Bulletin, please send information **by 1 March 2018**. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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2017 Council and Committee on Nominations Election Results

The Election Committee has completed the examination of the votes and we are pleased to announce that the IUSSP members listed below have been elected and will join **Tom LeGrand** (IUSSP President-elect) in January to serve on the 2018-2021 IUSSP Council.

Anastasia Gage was elected Honorary President of the Union.

Congratulations to Anastasia Gage and to the newly elected Council Members.

Detailed results of the 2017 election can be read in the **Election Committee's report**.

- **Vice President (President Elect 2022-25):** **Shireen Jejeebhoy** (India)
- **Secretary General and Treasurer:** **Nico van Nimwegen** (Netherlands)
- **Council member for Africa:** **Jean-François Kobiané** (Burkina Faso)
- **Council member for Asia and Oceania:** **Mohammad Jalal Abbasi-Shavazi** (Iran)
- **Council member for Europe:** **Clémentine Rossier** (Switzerland)
- **Council member for Latin-America:** **Suzana Cavenaghi** (Brazil)
- **Council member for North-America:** **David Lam** (United States)
- **Council Member-at-large:** **Samuel Clark** (United States); **Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue** (Cameroon); **Edith Gray** (Australia); **France Meslé** (France)

2021 Committee on Nominations

There was also a vote to select members for the 2021 Committee on Nominations. Six members were elected. Their election will need to be ratified by the next General Assembly in Cape Town.

Alex Chika Ezech (Nigeria); **Brígida Garcia** (Mexico); **Terence Hull** (Australia); **Nico Keilman** (Netherlands); **Susheela Singh** (United States); **Laurent Toulemon** (France).

IUSSP ELECTION PROCEDURES

The election was held from 30 July to 1 October 2017. The election were organized via the Internet, using a secure external online voting company, eBallot (Votenet Solutions), an Internet voting service that provides online voting for a large number of associations and companies. The electoral list included all (full) members who were in good standing by 30 June 2017. Student associates do not vote in the elections.

The electoral procedure was controlled by an Election Committee composed of three IUSSP members appointed by the Council: Géraldine Duthé (France), Ann Moore (United States) and Julio Ortega (Ecuador).

The rules governing IUSSP elections can be found in **article 11 of the Constitution**.

28th IUSSP General Assembly

Cape Town, South Africa, 30 October and 1 November 2017

General Assembly on Monday 30 October

As required by the IUSSP Constitution when Constitutional amendments are to be presented to the General Assembly, the IUSSP organized a first very short General Assembly meeting on Monday 30 October to formally appoint a committee in charge of examining the proposed amendments. The thirty members in attendance unanimously elected the following five members to this review committee: Terence Hull (Australia), Jane Menken (United States), Maria-Coleta Oliveira (Brazil), Elisabeth Omoluabi (Nigeria) and Jacques Véron (France).

General Assembly on Wednesday 1 November

Eighty members attended this second general assembly. France Meslé, Secretary General and Treasurer, presented the **report on the activities and financial situation of the Union** for the last four years as well as the **report of the statutory Auditor on 2013-2016 financial results**. The report was unanimously approved.

The General Assembly formally approved the election of the 5 candidates already elected by the membership for the 2021 Nomination Committee: Alex Chika Ezech (Nigeria), Brigida Garcia (Mexico), Terence Hull (Australia), Nico Keilman (Netherlands), Susheela Singh (United States), and Laurent Toulemon (France).

Participants also approved the IUSSP's affiliation to the **Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data**.

Finally, the General Assembly approved the **Constitutional amendments** by 78 votes in favour and 2 abstentions. The revised Constitution will become operative if approved by a majority of members in an online vote.

A detailed **report of the General Assembly** is available online.



Amendments to the IUSSP Constitution – Final proposal for ratification by the members

A proposal to amend the Constitution was presented to members on 24 July 2017. This revision does not seek to fundamentally alter the way the IUSSP functions. Its principal aim is to clarify, simplify, adapt the Constitution to new technologies and, last but not least, allow the IUSSP to adapt more easily to changes in the scientific and funding environments, if needed. Members were invited to send their comments until 15 October (only two members sent comments, both to indicate they were in favour of the changes).

Two General Assemblies were held in Cape Town: the first one to elect members of a Committee of five members to examine the proposed amendments and the second to present the amendments, including a few additional changes proposed by the Review Committee. The General Assembly approved the Constitutional revision by a large majority (no votes against, two abstentions), more than the required two-thirds of the members present. The last stage of Constitutional revision process consists in its ratification by the membership following the procedure described below:

***Article 18.5.** After approval by the General Assembly, proposed amendments shall be submitted to the members. The Secretary-General and Treasurer shall organise a secret ballot, and invite members to return ballot forms within a period of six weeks. If at that date fewer than half the votes have been cast, the Secretary-General and Treasurer shall once again invite members who have not cast their votes to return their ballots within a further period of six weeks. At that date the ballot shall be closed, and the votes counted. An amendment shall become operative if a majority of votes have been cast in its favour.*

A vote will be organized using e-Ballot (the secure online voting system used for the recent IUSSP elections). The vote will consist in one simple question as to whether members are 'in favour' or 'against' the Constitutional revision. The **electoral list** includes all current and confirmed full members by 31 October 2017. It does not include members who registered after 31 October or new members who registered after 1 September (and have not yet been confirmed by the IUSSP Council). It also does not include Student Associates, who are not eligible to vote.

The IUSSP Council urges ALL members to vote during the first 6-week period (20 November to 31 December) so that the amendments can be ratified before the end of the year (avoiding a second 6-week period of voting).

DOCUMENTS

- **Proposed revisions** (using track changes)
- **2006 Constitution** (current)
- **2017 Constitution** (final proposal)

For all questions, please contact constitutionalrevision@iussp.org.

The 2017 International Population Conference

Cape Town, South Africa, 29 October-3 November 2017

Links:

- [Conference website](#)
- [Scientific programme](#)
- [Programme in PDF](#)
- [Videos of Plenary Sessions](#)
- [IPC2017 photos](#)



The **XXVIII International Population Conference** was held in Cape Town, South Africa, from 29 October to 3 November 2017. Over 1,900 population scientists, students and policy makers from 100 countries and 116 nationalities 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 grateful to the **South African National Organizing Committee** (NOC) for their extraordinary hospitality and the efforts they made to organize this Conference. The IUSSP is also grateful to its **donors**, without whom this conference could not have taken place. And finally, the IUSSP thanks all those who reviewed and selected papers before the conference and all those who participated in the conference.

Conference figures:

- 4,572 submissions to the Call for Papers
- 1,524 papers included on the programme
- 718 papers presented in 215 regular sessions
- 806 posters presented in 5 Poster sessions
- 2,459 population scientists listed as authors, session chairs and discussants
- 9 NOC Africa Day sessions
- 6 plenary sessions
- 10 activities dedicated to training
- 26 side meetings
- 29 exhibitors



Survey

A survey of IPC2017 participants is currently underway (it will remain open until 31 December). With responses from 764 participants (47% of those included in the survey), we can confirm feedback received in Cape Town from participants and from a survey of session chairs concerning the scientific quality of the Conference. Forty-five percent of those responding to the survey rated the scientific quality as excellent and 45% very good, a jump in ratings compared to the 3 previous conferences where 39% rated Busan (2013) as excellent (and 46% very good), 30% rated Marrakech (2009) as excellent (and 49% very good), and 38% rated Tours (2005) excellent (and 44% very good). Whether this perceived increase is due to a general improvement in the quality of research presented or to the implementation of a double review of submitted abstracts for this conference is not possible to determine but we hope this trend continues. Participants also greatly appreciated the quality of their stay in Cape Town with 51% rating it as excellent and 45% very good.

Opening Ceremony

The Conference opened with **Risenga Maluleke** (Deputy Director-General for Statistical Collections and Outreach, Stats SA), serving as the Master of ceremony introducing live addresses by **Anastasia Gage** (IUSSP President), **Pali Lehohla** (Statistician-General of South Africa and President of the International Organizing Committee), **Jeff Radebe** (Minister in the Presidency for Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation); and a video address by **Natalia Kanem** (UNFPA Executive Director). **Tukufu Zuberi** (Lasry Family Professor of Race Relations at the University of Pennsylvania) gave the keynote address on the **Population Principal of Race**.



From left to right: Pali Lehohla, Jeff Radebe, Anastasia Gage, Tukufu Zuberi.

The Malay choir of the Cape Town Young Men's Sporting Club provided an interlude of musical entertainment. The ceremony was followed by a Welcome Reception hosted by Statistics South Africa. The Ceremony can be [viewed online](#).



Plenary Sessions

UNFPA Plenary – Data for development: strengthening national capacity in population data

Chair: Benoit Kalasa, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

Speakers:

- Carmen Barroso, Independent Accountability Panel;
- Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, Cornell University;
- Philomena Efua Nyarko, University of Ghana;
- Paulo Saad, UN-ECLAC;
- Marwan Khawaja, UN-ESCWA;
- Pali Lehohla, Statistics South Africa



IUSSP Plenary Debate: International migration in the 21st century: Should borders be more open?

Chair: John Wilmoth, United Nations Population Division

Speakers:

- Aris Ananta, Universitas Indonesia
- Alicia Adsera, Princeton University
- Peter McDonald, University of Melbourne
- Blessing Mberu, African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC)



Africa Day Plenary: Demographic data challenges for reporting on the Sustainable Development Goals in Africa

Chair: Diego Iturralde, Statistics South Africa

Speakers:

- Julitta Onabanjo, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
- Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, Cornell University
- Delali Badasu, Regional Institute for Population Studies, University of Ghana, Legon



IUSSP Plenary Debate: Is very low fertility good or bad for the family, gender and society?

Chair: Fatima Juarez, El Colegio de México

Speakers:

- Eduardo L. G. Rios-Neto, CEDEPLAR - Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais
- Eric Udjo, University of South Africa
- Zeba Sathar, Population Council
- Wendy Sigle, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)



Sponsored Research Leader Sessions

For the first time, the IUSSP offered research centers and institutions interested in population issues the opportunity to organize sessions on a research topic of special importance to them. Eleven Sponsored Sessions were included in the programme. The funds raised from these sessions were used to provide travel support to developing country participants.

Invited sessions

The programme also included 5 invited sessions: a training session on “All you want to know about publishing in a peer-reviewed journal”; a session organized by the UN Population Division on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration; two sessions organized by the regional population associations on International Migration (APA/UAPS) and on Population Ageing (ALAP/EAPS); and a session featuring five IUSSP Laureates, who were invited to share their reflections on the present and future of demography and population science.



From left to right: five IUSSP Laureates – Jane Menken, Ron Lee, Cheikh Mbacké, John Bongaarts and José Miguel Guzman – and IUSSP Vice-President Tom LeGrand.

Africa Day sessions

Nine of the sessions in the programme were organized by the South African National Organizing Committee to address topics of particular relevance for African countries, beginning with an opening session on “African censuses in 2020: will they be the best ever?” and closing with the Africa Day plenary on "Demographic data challenges for reporting on the Sustainable Development Goals in Africa."



2017 IUSSP Laureate

IUSSP President, Anastasia Gage presented the 2017 IUSSP Laureate Award to **José Miguel Guzmán** on 30 October 2017 following the UNFPA Plenary. [See 2017 IUSSP Laureate award ceremony.](#)



Exhibit booths

Conference participants could visit exhibit booths set up by 29 institutions, publishers, research institutes and other organizations working in the population field. The exhibit booths benefited from coffee breaks and lunches being served in the same exhibit hall. The preliminary results of the conference survey indicate that 87% of respondents visited the exhibit booths.



Side meetings

Twenty-six side meetings were organized during the Conference. The preliminary results of the conference survey indicate that 47% of respondents attended at least one side meeting. The IUSSP organized 5 of these meetings before the conference, two [meetings of the Francophone Africa Network](#) and 3 on Data Revolution activities:

- [Training workshop on Social Media, Big Data and Digital Demography.](#)
- [Training Course on Bayesian Population Projections: Theory and Practice.](#)
- [Seminar on Geospatial Demography. Combining Satellite, Survey, Census and Cellphone Data to Provide Small-area Estimates.](#)



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Social and cultural activities

In addition to the Welcome Reception on the first day of the Conference, the National Organizing Committee organized a special gala dinner on Thursday 2 November, which ended with a performance by the famous South African singer **Yvonne Chaka Chaka** and her band.



Closing Ceremony

The Closing Ceremony, chaired by **Anastasia Gage** (outgoing IUSSP President) included closing addresses by **Risenga Maluleke** (Statistician-General of South Africa, as he replaced newly retired Pali Lehohla during the Conference), **Tom LeGrand** (incoming IUSSP President), a presentation by the recipient of the 2017 IUSSP–Mattei Dogan Foundation Award for Comparative Research in Demography, **Anne Gauthier** (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute – NIDI) on



Comparative perspectives on the priceless child.

It also included a thank-you speech on behalf of Junior Demographers given by **Doaa Hammoudeh** (Birzeit University) and the Poster Awards Ceremony, chaired by IUSSP Council members **Edith Pantelides** and **Oystein Kravdal**.



Poster Awards

Five poster juries, coordinated by Edith Pantelides and Oystein Kravdal, selected each day the best poster of the day. The 5 distinguished posters are listed below:

Best Poster of day 1:

[Gender Differentials in Concurrent Relationships among Youth in Urban West Africa: Evidence from Ouagadougou](#), **Anne Calvès**, Université de Montréal.



Best Poster of day 2:

[Maternity in adolescence and social inequality in Uruguay](#), **María Lara**, **Alejandra López**, **Sabrina Rossi**, Universidad de la Republica; **Cecilia De Rosa**, Facultad de Ciencias Sociales, UDELAR; **María José Doyenart**, **Carmen Varela**, Universidad de la República.



Best Poster of day 3:

Urban bias in Latin American life expectancy, **Jenny Garcia**, INED / Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne



Best Poster of day 4:

Is it men or women who pay for the kids? The gendered division in the contributions to childbearing and implications for fertility, **Lili Vargha**, Hungarian Demographic Research Institute; **Gretchen Donehower**, UC Berkeley; **Tanja Istenic**, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Economics



Best Poster of day 5:

Verification of the Reported Age of Centenarians in Thailand, **Sutthida Chuanwan**, **Pramote Prasartkul**, **Patama Vapattanawong**, **Rossarin Gray**, **Charnporn Holumyong**, Institute for Population and Social Research, Mahidol University.



The Closing Ceremony ended with the announcement of the **XXIX International Population Conference** venue in 2021 with a slide presentation of **Hyderabad, India**, the city chosen to host the 2021 Conference.



Training workshop on Bayesian population projections: theory and practice

Cape Town, South Africa, 28-29 October 2017

The training course on **Bayesian population projections: theory and practice** was held on 28-29 October 2017 at the University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business, and run by Adrian Raftery and Hana Ševčíková, from the University of Washington, who are leaders of the research group that developed the methods taught in the course, with the assistance of Mark Wheldon, from the United Nations, Population Division.

Population projections have until recently usually been done deterministically using the cohort component method, yielding a single value for each projected future population quantity of interest. Recently, the United Nation Population Division adopted a probabilistic approach to project fertility, mortality and population for all countries. In this approach, the total fertility rate and female and male life expectancy at birth are projected using Bayesian hierarchical models estimated via Markov Chain Monte Carlo. They are then combined with a cohort component model which yields probabilistic projection for any quantity of interest. The methodology is implemented in a suite of R packages which has been used by the UN analysts to produce the most recent revision of the World Population Prospects.



The meeting brought together 34 participants from 18 different countries, one third from Africa, one-third from South Asia, and the rest from Latin America, North America, Europe and other countries in Asia. Most participants were based at population research institutes or universities and a few worked for statistical offices. As a prerequisite, trainees were expected to be familiar with basic probability and statistics and to have a basic knowledge of the R programming language.

The course aimed to teach both the theory and practice behind the UN probabilistic projections, with explanations on Bayesian hierarchical modeling for the two main components, fertility and mortality. Hands-on exercises were given to trainees so that they could familiarize themselves with the functionalities of R packages and be able to understand the methods and generate projections using various output formats, such as graphs, tables, maps, and pyramids.

See also:

- [Introduction & agenda](#)
- [List of participants](#)
- [General information on the course](#)

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Seminar on Geospatial Demography

Cape Town, South Africa, 29 October 2017

The seminar on **Geospatial Demography: Combining Satellite, Survey, Census and Cellphone Data to Provide Small area estimates** was held on 29 October 2017 at the University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business, and run by Professor Andy Tatem of the University of Southampton and director of WorldPop and Flowminder. An increasing need has been seen for more timely and disaggregated demographic data to facilitate better use of limited resources and to monitor progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals. ‘Traditional’ demographic data from censuses and surveys suffer from limitations in their timeliness and spatial detail. The seminar focused on the use of new sources of data, in particular from satellite imagery, in complimenting these traditional sources to provide demographic data at finer spatial and temporal scales for low and middle income countries. Robust statistical methods for data integration were introduced and approaches for building these into national statistical office capacity discussed.

The meeting brought together around 60 participants from 20 different countries, principally in Africa and South Asia, half of whom worked for government statistics offices and half in academia.

The event was kicked off by Benoit Kalasa, director of the technical division of UNFPA, and Professor Tatem, who presented on the value of thinking and measuring subnationally and the types of new data and approaches available that are driving new insights. Following this, Thomas Kemper from the EU Joint Research Center and Julian Zeidler from the German Space Agency (DLR) showed how advances in satellite imagery, computing power and methods are enabling more detailed and rapid mapping of human settlements than ever before. Thomas Kemper, Andy Tatem and Susana Adamo (from Columbia University), then showed how this mapping of settlements can be integrated with other datasets from census and surveys to map population numbers and distributions, including the estimation of populations in the absence of national census data through integrating small area surveys with satellite mapping of buildings in statistical models. Methods for mapping population characteristics were then introduced by Richmond Tiemoko from UNFPA and Andy Tatem, before Linus Bengtsson, Flowminder Director, highlighted the value of mobile network data in measuring population dynamics.

All presentations lead to some enthusiastic discussions and question sessions, and these discussions were continued with a final hands-on data session, where representatives of WorldPop, Flowminder, Columbia University, DLR and EU-JRC all presented their datasets and tools to small groups of participants and fielded questions.

See also:

- [Seminar agenda](#)
- [List of participants](#)
- [Presentation slides](#)

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Training workshop on Social Media, Big Data and Digital Demography

Cape Town, South Africa, 29 October 2017

At the 2017 International Population Conference (IPC), held in Cape Town, South Africa, from 29 October to 3 November, the **IUSSP Scientific Panel on Big Data and Population Processes** organized a preconference **training workshop on Social Media, Big Data and Digital Demography** on 29 October. The workshop was facilitated by Emilio Zagheni, with the assistance of Connor Gilroy (both University of Washington – United States).



This daylong workshop taught participants to collect, analyze, and think critically about digital data for demography, in an active and hands-on manner. It covered technical subjects like web APIs and OAuth credentialing, while introducing examples of current demographic research using digital methods. Over the course of the day, participants moved from retrieving conventional census data with programmatic web methods to using these same techniques to access streaming and search data from Twitter and advertising data from Facebook. Additional modules focused on transforming and visualizing the data thus obtained.

The approximately 50 participants in this workshop were diverse, from an array of countries and disciplines, with sub-Saharan Africa particularly well-represented. Their goals for using digital trace data for demography were equally diverse, from investigating women's responses to domestic violence on Twitter in France, to observing reactions to the work of nonprofits on Facebook in India. The day ended with a vibrant discussion among participants of the potentials and pitfalls of web and social media data for demography.

The code and lecture slides for the digital demography workshop are available in their entirety on **GitHub**. This resource has already begun to circulate among demographers—via Twitter, naturally.

See also:

- **Introduction slides**
- **List of participants**
- **Code and lecture slides**

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FraNet at the International Population Conference

Cape Town, South Africa, 29 October-3 November 2017

Organized by the **IUSSP Network on Strengthening Demographic Training in Francophone Africa (FraNet)**

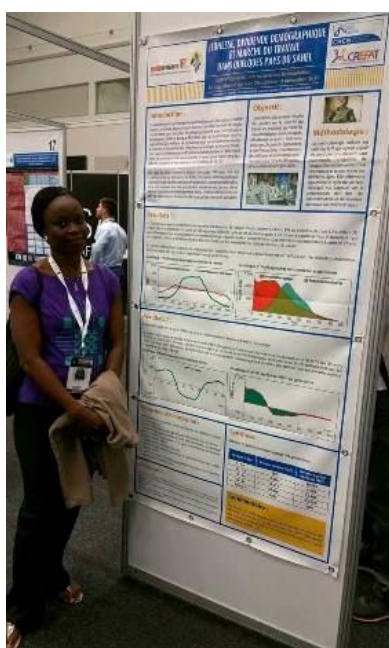
The Network's Steering Committee :

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Twenty members of the IUSSP Network for Strengthening demographic training in Francophone Africa (FraNet) were able to participate in the 28th International Population Conference in Cape Town, thanks to funding from the William and Flora Hewlett foundation. In addition to trainers and active researchers, the delegation included two Cameroonian journalists who came to ensure the results of scientific work discussed at the Conference would be communicated in the news media.

Network members presented their research in oral sessions and poster sessions to a large audience of researchers from around the world. The scientific contributions of FraNet during the Conference are listed in the annex. The journalists communicated this information to the public in an [article](#) and a [film interview](#).

Yedode Ahokpossi (left hand photo), a demographer from Benin associated with the Thiès Center for applied economic and financial research (CREFAT, Senegal), presented a poster on the demographic dividend, youth, and labour markets in several Sahelian countries. Lidwine Sonia De-Banguirys (right hand photo), presented her research on the non-utilization of pre-natal services by pregnant adolescents and youth in Yaoundé, Cameroon.



The president of the Network, Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, took part in two plenary round-table sessions. One organized by UNFPA on the theme "Data for development: Strengthening national capacity to use demographic data." The second plenary was organized for Africa Day on the "Demographic data challenges for reporting on the Sustainable Development Goals in Africa."

Members of FraNet presented their research and met with colleagues from other countries as well as taking some time to visit this great city on the southern point of the African continent.



ANNEX - Scientific contributions by members of FraNet

- [Educational Expansion in Africa \(1965-2010\): Implications for Economic Inequality between Countries](#). Michel Tenikue, Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research (LISER), Luxembourg, Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, Cornell University, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY and Sarah Giroux, Cornell University
- [Africa and the Demographic Dividend: Methodological approaches, opportunities and challenges for DD in Africa](#). Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, Cornell University, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- [Are African Transitions Even? A 'Demographic Kuznets' Hypothesis](#). Michel Tenikue, Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research (LISER), Luxembourg, Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, Cornell University, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY and Sarah Giroux, Cornell University
- [Demographic dividend and human capital investments in Africa](#) [Demographic dividend and human capital investments in Africa](#). Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, Cornell University, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- [Convergence between twin and singleton mortality rates](#). Michel Tenikue, Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research (LISER), Luxembourg, Roland Pongou, Canada and David Shapiro, The Pennsylvania State University
- [Scolarisation des enfants réfugiés en Afrique de l'Ouest et du Centre](#) [Scolarisation des enfants réfugiés en Afrique de l'Ouest et du Centre](#). Kouassi De Syg Seke, Institut de formation Et de Recherche démographique, Yaounde, Cameroon, Gervais Beninguise, Institut de formation et de Recherche Démographiques (IFORD), Yaoundé, Cameroon, Waffo Uilrich, CARE-IFA/IFORD-Cameroon, Cameroon and Nguengang Sariette Agnes, Université catholique de Louvain (UCL), Belgium
- [Contextual and individual determinants of young people integrating the labour market in Cameroon, Mali and Senegal](#). Moodjom Roland Marc, CARE-IFA/IFORD, Soa, CE, Cameroon and Samuel Nouetagni, Université de Yaounde II- Soa, Cameroon
- [Young people \(15-29 years old\) neither in employment nor in education or training \(NEET\): A comparative analysis across five Mediterranean Arab countries: Algeria, Egypt, Lebanon Morocco, and Tunisia](#). Mohammed Bedrouni, Université Blida 2, Soumaa, 9, Algeria and Nacer Boulfekhar, Université de Blida 2, BLIDA, Algeria
- [Contribution to the Evaluation of the Economic and Social Dividend in North African Countries](#). Mohammed Bedrouni, Université Blida 2, Soumaa, 9, Algeria and Assia Cherif, École

Nationale Supérieure de Statistique et Économie Appliquée.(ENSSEA)ex INPS, Alger, Algeria;
École Nationale Supérieure de Statistique et Économie Appliquée.(ENSSEA)ex INPS, Algeria

- [Inequalities in school enrolment in urban areas in Burkina Faso: is access to safe water an issue?](#) Dramane Boly, Centre Population et Développement (CEPED), France and Jean-François Kobiané, Université Ouaga I Pr Joseph Ki-Zerbo, Burkina Faso
- [Inequalities in the provision of secondary schools in sub-Saharan African capital cities: Ouagadougou and its outskirts.](#) Habibou Ouedraogo, Institut Supérieur des Sciences de la Population (ISSP), Burkina Faso; Jean-François Kobiané, Université Ouaga I Pr Joseph Ki-Zerbo, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
- [Analyse des facteurs de non recours en première consultation prénatale lors des premières grossesses des adolescentes et jeunes à Yaoundé, Cameroun.](#) Lidwine Sonia De-Banguirys, Yaoundé, CE, Cameroon and Justin DANSOU Justin, Nigeria
- [Perception des critères endogènes de la richesse chez les réfugiés centrafricains au Cameroun.](#) Lidwine Sonia De-Banguirys, Yaoundé, CE, Cameroon
- [Emploi des jeunes en Afrique : une étude comparative des pays SWEDD.](#) Yédodé Ahokpossi, Centre de Recherche En Economie et Finance Appliquées de Thiès (CREFAT), Senegal
- [Insertion professionnelle des jeunes diplômés en Tunisie : Analyse longitudinale des trajectoires individuelles.](#) Jalila Attafi, Faculté des Sciences Économiques Et de Gestion de Tunis, Ben Arous, Tunisia and Anis Allagui, Faculté des sciences économiques et de gestion de Tunis, Tunisia
- [Impact de la fécondité sur le travail de la femme en Tunisie : Estimation d'un modèle probit bivarié.](#) Jalila Attafi, Faculté des Sciences Économiques Et de Gestion de Tunis, Ben Arous, Tunisia, Bilel Abidi, Ministère de la santé, Tunisia and Mohamed Chaouch, Faculté des Sciences Economiques et de Gestion de Tunis, Tunisia
- [Les politiques sociales africaines de soutien à la vieillesse : Etat des lieux, enjeux et défis.](#) Esther Crystelle Eyinga Dimi, Bucrep/IFORD, Cameroon
- [Stigmatisation and discrimination against elderly persons in Cameroon.](#) Esther Crystelle Eyinga Dimi, Bucrep/IFORD, Cameroon
- [Crise socio-économique et Solidarité familiale au Burkina Faso : ou va la famille au Burkina ? Analyse de la variation de la composition et de la taille des ménages au Burkina suivant le niveau d'analyse entre 2003 et 2010.](#) Kassoum Dianou, Institut de Formation et de Recherche Démographiques (IFORD), Burkina Faso
- [Demographic and socioeconomic profiles of HIV among women in East Africa.](#) Jacques Emina, University of Kinshasa, Department of Population and Development Studies, Kinshasa, Congo-Kinshasa
- [Engaging men in family planning: perspectives from married men in Lomé, Togo.](#) Paul Blewessi¹, Karen Weidert², Kpeglo Kokou³, Ouro Bitasse Erakalaza³, Adjoko Mensah³, Jacques Emina⁴, Sheila Mensah⁵, Annette Bonjovani and Ndola Prata⁷, (1)CERA, Togo, (2)University of California, Berkeley, (3)Togo, (4)PO Box 176 Kinshasa XI, University of Kinshasa, Department of Population and Development Studies, Kinshasa, Congo-Kinshasa, (5)U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), (6)University of California Berkeley
- [L'effet de l'éducation sur la transition à la première naissance.](#) Doris Tshibuabua, Unemployed, Congo-Kinshasa
- [Profil des femmes pratiquant les Mutilations Génitales Féminines au Tchad. Une analyse faite à partir de MICS 2010.](#) Vincent Nguezoumka Kebmaki, Fonds de Soutien aux Activités en matière de Population (FOSAP)/Fonds Mondial, Ndjamena, CB, Chad and Jonathan Madjita, Chad

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FraNet: Analysing the Demographic Dividend

Cape Town, South Africa, 29 October 2017

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The IUSSP Network for Strengthening Demographic Training in Francophone Africa (FraNet) organized a meeting before the International Population Conference to review the networks ongoing project analyzing the potential for a demographic dividend in a number of African countries. The meeting was organized with the collaboration of CARE-IFA (la cellule d'Appui à la Recherche et à l'Enseignement des Institutions Francophone d'Afrique) and with funding from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation.



Members of FraNet at the side meeting in Cape Town.

The meeting's objective was to officially announce three publications produced by FraNet to contribute to the study of the demographic dividend in Africa. These publications have been produced with policy makers and the public in mind as well as researchers.

For the general public, the network finished the production of "50 questions about the Dividend", which aims to respond to questions posed by the public about the demographic dividend: what is a "demographic dividend", how large is it, and what are the conditions needed to reap a demographic dividend in Africa. This publication was produced during a series of meetings that took place at ISSP (Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso) and at IFORD (Yaoundé, Cameroon) with the assistance of a network of local journalists working on health and development. The document is an update of an earlier version that covered 11 questions on the demographic dividend.

For policy makers, the network completed a study evaluating the estimations for the demographic dividend in each African country. The evaluation looked at the potential economic impacts of the demographic dividend, specifically the gross per-capita GNP and provides indicators for future tendencies. The document presents for each country the date of entry into the window of opportunity, the period of advancement in the process of producing a dividend, and an estimation of the size of the dividend using decomposition methods developed by FraNet members.

For researchers, the network produced a new and updated addition of its reference manual on decomposition methods that includes applications to the study of the demographic dividend. One of the innovations is the extension of the method to several areas – not only the economy, but also education, health, inequality and security. In addition to methodological extensions included in the volume, FraNet also presented a video (in English) that further develops the security implications of the demographic dividend.

The meetings activities took place in two phases. During the morning session, after a word of welcome, Professeur Gervais Beniguise presented an [overview of FraNet's activities](#) since its creation in 2009. FraNets' activities covered the training of researchers in innovative tools and methods for the development of demographic research in Africa, the training of parliamentarians, journalists and opinion leaders in the use of statistical graphs, and the appropriation of the concept of the demographic dividend. Mohammed Bedrouni followed with a presentation of « [11 questions sur le dividende](#) », the first publication by FraNet on the demographic dividend. He highlighted the widespread appreciation of this document by the public which led to its translation and dissemination in English and [Arabic](#).



Mohammed Bedrouni presenting "11 questions on the dividend".

Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, then presented “50 questions about the dividend”. This document summarizes the concerns of the public on a large range of questions about the dividend that had been given to members of FraNet. The questions, developed in a participative manner, were evaluated and modified by journalists, policy makers, opinion leaders and every day citizens. The document is organized into 5 sections each containing 10 questions on the following themes: definition, theory, methods, empirical results, and policies. The most contentious questions were revisited by participants during the meeting. A network of Camerounais journalists working in health and development, will give the document one last review before it is completed..

Two videos were also presented. The first was an [animated video](#) about the security implications of the demographic dividend in Sub-Saharan Africa produced by Sarah Giroux and Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue. The second [video](#) is a documentary report produced by Marie Virginie Mbusnum, a journalist, on the national dividends. Adrienne Engono, also a journalist, ended the morning session, highlighting the collaboration between the media and researchers from the FraNet Network.



Adrienne Engono presenting on collaboration between the Network and the media.

The afternoon session, focused on the upcoming publications on [the economic fallout of the demographic dividend](#), the manual on decomposition methods and a volume on the educational dividend. The first work, presented by Michel Tenikue, examines the first signs of a demographic dividend in Africa and its estimation using decomposition methods. This work is currently being edited for publication. The second work, presented by Firmin Zinvi and Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue, focuses on the [manual on decomposition methods](#) *“Understanding social change: the contribution of decomposition methods and their application to the demographic dividend.”* This book, an update of the 2010 edition with new material, contains 8 chapters organized around 5 points: type of problems, graphic and numerical illustrations, mathematical formulation, practical applications, and the methods application to the study of the demographic dividend. The third work, presented by Charles Moute and Firmin Zinvi, highlighted the [implications of the dividend for education](#) looking at 40 African countries for which data is available. This work is currently in review before the final editing and publication stage.



Charles Moute during his presentation on the educational dividend.

At the end of the meeting, three recommendations were made with the aim of improving the visibility of FraNet's activities:

- Establish an exchange forum of journalists and experts working on the demographic dividend and the SDGs in order to facilitate the appropriation of information and its diffusion;
- Develop an online application or one that can be used with different statistical software packages (STATS, SPSS, R, ...) to calculate the Demographic Dividend using the Networks method with proprietary data or utilizer provided data;
- Make the videos and demographic dividend documents produced by the Network available online via Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

See also:

- [The meeting report.](#)
- [FraNet's web page.](#)

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IUSSP statement on “Strengthening migration data, research and training, in the context of the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration.”

At the high-level plenary meeting on addressing large movements of refugees and migrants, held on 19 September 2016, the United Nations General Assembly agreed to develop two global compacts, one “for safe, orderly and regular migration” and the other “on refugees”. The migration compact will be developed through a process of intergovernmental negotiations and adopted at an intergovernmental conference on international migration to be held in 2018. In resolution [71/280](#), the General Assembly invited all relevant stakeholders, including scientific and knowledge-based institutions, to contribute to the preparatory process of elaborating the migration compact.

Mindful of the important contribution that IUSSP has made to the Programme of Action of the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development as well as earlier UN population conferences, the IUSSP created an ad hoc panel composed of eminent migration scholars from around the globe to prepare a statement as input to the global migration compact.

The Panel, with support from the Population and Statistics Divisions of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA), prepared a preliminary version of the statement, which was discussed on 30 October at a joint IUSSP/UN-DESA session during the 2017 International Population Conference ([Session 39](#)).

On 3 November, Philippe Fargues, Chair of the panel, circulated an updated version of the draft to IUSSP members and invited them to contribute to the preparation of the statement. In response to various suggestions and inputs that were received, the ad hoc IUSSP panel revised the draft statement.

This [revised statement](#), which focuses on strengthening migration data, training and research, was approved by the IUSSP Council and submitted on 30 November to Ms. Louise Arbour, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration, in her capacity of Secretary-General of the Conference, and to the Permanent Representatives of Mexico and Switzerland to the United Nations, who are serving as co-facilitators of the negotiations on the global compact.

The IUSSP is grateful to the members of the ad hoc panel for preparing the statement and to other IUSSP members who provided comments and suggestions on the draft statement and thanks the United Nations Population Division for their support throughout this process.

We hope that many of you will circulate the statement within your respective networks and feel free to use the document as a resource for further discussions on this topic. Despite the recent withdrawal of the United States from this process, the commitment to develop a global compact remains strong and thus the contribution by demographers to this discussion will continue to be important.

IUSSP Laureate Ceremony for José Miguel Guzmán

Cape Town, South Africa, 30 October 2017

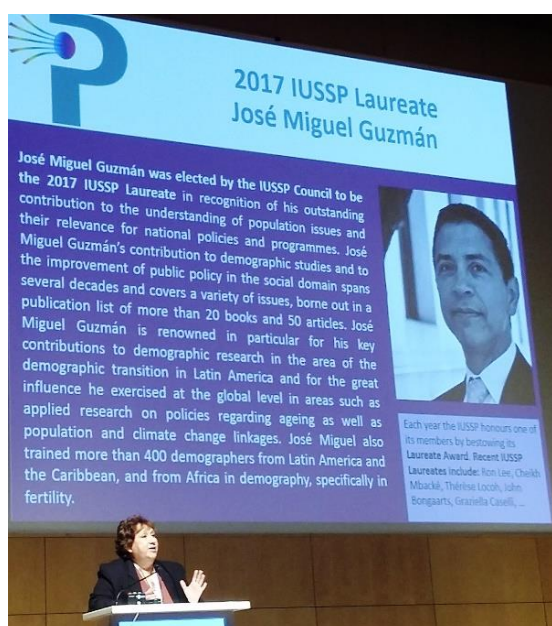
IUSSP President, Anastasia Gage presented the 2017 IUSSP Laureate Award to José Miguel Guzmán at the XXVIII International Population Conference in Cape Town, South Africa on 30 October 2017. The Award Ceremony took place after the UNFPA Plenary session drawing a large crowd of Jose Miguel's colleagues, friends and family from around the globe to celebrate this honour. In presenting the award, Anastasia Gage [outlined the high points of José Miguel Guzmán's career and contributions](#) to the field, especially the influence he exercised at the global level in areas such as applied research on policies regarding ageing as well as population and climate change linkages.



José Miguel Guzman took the floor to give heartfelt thanks to his family, colleagues and the IUSSP, describing his trajectory from a young boy growing up in a hard working family in the Dominican Republic to becoming the first Dominican to get a PhD in Demography, and now an IUSSP Laureate. He expounded on his love of the discipline and the important contributions demography and demographers can make to understanding population issues that underpin the world's development challenges. Fatima Juarez and Ralph Hackert both gave moving tributes to José Miguel Guzman's career and the personal warmth with which he shared his passion for demography with students and colleagues.

- For more information on José Miguel Guzmán's accomplishments and contributions to the population field please read the [letter of nomination](#).

If you have a mentor or colleague who is an IUSSP member and has made significant contributions to the field, and would like to see him or her receive a similar honor, [consider nominating them for the 2018 IUSSP Laureate Award](#). The deadline is 15 January.



IUSSP Laureate Award 2018 – Call for nominations

Deadline: 15 January 2018

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 2018 IUSSP Laureate award. Your colleague may become the next IUSSP Laureate, following in the footsteps of past IUSSP Laureates Jane Menken, John Bongaarts, Thérèse Locoh, Cheikh Mbacke and Ron Lee ... (see the full list of Laureates on the IUSSP website).

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 2018 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 15 January 2018**.

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 2018 Laureate Nomination” in the subject line of the email.**

See also:

- *[List of past IUSSP Laureates](#)
- *[List of current Council members and Honorary Presidents](#)
- *[List of New Council members \(2018-2021\)](#)
- *[Membership directory](#)

Applications remain valid for two years.

Dirk Jaspers-Faijer (1954-2017)

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of Dirk Jaspers-Faijer. Dirk was the former Director of the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Center (CELADE) - Population Division of ECLAC. He died in Costa Rica, where he was living with his family.

Of Dutch nationality and with a title in Demography at the University of Groningen, Netherlands, Dirk Jaspers was one of the most recognized specialists in the area of demography, population and development studies throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. He had been a member of the IUSSP since 1983 and participated in several ISSP meetings. He had recently retired after a fruitful and committed career of 34 years at ECLAC, an institution which benefited from his tireless work in training population experts and in the strengthening of the sociodemographic capacities of the countries of the region and by his commitment to advance the regional population agenda.



Jaspers joined the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Center (CELADE) - Population Division of ECLAC in 1981, as an associate expert at its headquarters in San José, Costa Rica. He was transferred in 1985 to the headquarters of ECLAC in Santiago, Chile, as Population Affairs Officer of CELADE to collaborate on demographic estimates and population projections. In 1987, he became the manager of the training program of CELADE (masters, postgraduate, intensive courses and specialization workshops) and in 1992 of the regional preparation of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD). Subsequently, he worked on the follow-up of the ICPD as Technical Secretary of the Special Committee on Population and Development of ECLAC.

In 1997, he was commissioned to supervise activities related to sociodemographic information and the development of REDATAM software, in addition to the Demography Area in 2003. In December 2004, he was appointed Director of CELADE-Population Division of ECLAC, a post in which he served until his retirement in 2015.

From CELADE members.

In Memoriam

We are still shocked by the sad news we received from Costa Rica. All of us who have worked with Dirk at CELADE feel the need to express our affection for him and to recognize his valuable legacy.

For us, Dirk was a person with multiple character traits: Director of the institution, area manager, professor, tutor, colleague, host of various celebrations, active participant in coffee and lunch gatherings, volleyball and soccer team mate, and certainly friend for so many. We feel so lucky for having shared the opportunity to work with him at CELADE. Dirk inspired confidence, not only because he was frank and direct, or because he behaved correctly -and there is no better example than our own behavior-, but because he found it impossible to lie or not being absolutely transparent, because he immediately revealed himself by a rapid flush and an unmistakable stutter.

Dirk was also confident, not only because of his physical size, his Viking boss appearance and his enveloping and fraternal embraces, but also because he faced injustice with vehemence and was not afraid to risk his own career or his own skin if he had to defend what he considered ethical or to protect whom he considered helpless or unfairly treated.

Dirk could also show his tender side. The clear background of his blue eyes was of a moving humanity. And the contrast between his enormous size and his heart of a child reinforced that endearing character. Dirk knew how to build people's capacities, as one who lifts a pyramid, first installed solid foundations, and then progressed carefully to the most convoluted complexities of demography. Dirk was a very accessible person, the doors of his office were always open to welcome those who needed them. He was also very sensitive, the radars of his senses had a great capacity to detect when someone required his support, advice or action.

The list of personal attributes of Dirk could be extended much more but Dirk was modest and never pursued false prestige, just as he did not like adulation. He was interested in being a protagonist in what he loved: his family, his classes, his institution and the population and development agenda, in short, his ideals. And he accomplished it. He leaves us as witnesses and proof of his seed. We will miss him dearly, and we will remember him with so much affection. Dirk was a generous man and a person that always showed his gratefulness to everyone who supported him.

A big hug filled with gratitude to Dirk from the CELADE's family scattered throughout Latin America (and beyond), to Dirk's own family in Costa Rica and other parts of the world, at the time of his farewell.

New members and student associates

New members:

35 members joined the IUSSP between 1 Sept and 1 Dec 2017.

Argentina: Marcela Cerrutti; **Belgium:** Florence De Longueville; **Canada:** Roland Pongou; **China:** Cai Baoxin; Dan He; Zhan Hu; Liu Kaijia; Tong Liu; Yang Shan; Yongjun Xu; **France:** Julie Hernandez; Thomas Wiest; **Ghana:** Leticia Appiah; **Italy:** Chiara Pronzato; Angela Silvestrini; **Japan:** Kayo Sawada; **Kenya:** Stephen Ndambuki; Isaac Wangunyu; **Mali:** Aoua Konare; **Mexico:** Maria Arroyo; **Netherlands:** Bela Hovy; **Tunisia:** Kamel Esseghairi; **United Arab Emirates:** Naeema Abdulwahid; Afaf Buossaiba; **United Kingdom:** Thomas Emery; Andrew Hinde; **United States:** Stella Babalola; Noelle Battle; Jane Bertrand; Clea Finkle; Marc Levy; Robert Magnani; Charles Todd; **Zambia:** Andrew Banda; Emmanuel Tembo.

New student associates:

45 new student associates joined the IUSSP between 1 Sept and 1 Dec 2017.

Argentina: Octavio Bramajo; **Cameroon:** Justin Bidja; Louis Marie Gael Bidzogo Ekobono; **Ethiopia:** Zelalem Dessie; Yishak Lailulo; Bereket Zewude; **Iceland:** Ari Jonsson; **India:** Balasaheb Bansode; Sneha Kumar; Pradeep Kumar; Bhavani Kumara; Neethu Naik; Om Prakash Thakur; **Iran, Islamic Republic of:** Somayeh Moukhah; **Italy:** Lawrence Sacco; **Kenya:** Judie Mbogua; Carol Mukiira; **Kenya:** Julius Odhiambo; **Malawi:** Clement Mtambo; Vitumbiko Namondwe; **Mexico:** Alvaro Madrigal Montes de Oca; **Nigeria:** Francis Akpa-Inyang; Chukwunwike Nwangwu; **Pakistan:** Zahoor Khan; **Somalia:** Mohamed Mohamed; **South Africa:** Khuthala Mabetha; Omphemetse Moche; Xolelwa Nkohla; Bradley Paulse; Muzomuhle Azanda Shezi; Shari Thanjan; Raylene Titus; Henrietta van Greuning; Nkosinathi William; **Togo:** Youssifou Aguorigoh; **Turkey:** İlgi Bozdağ; **United Kingdom:** Judith Lieber; **United States:** Hyunwoo Choo; Connor Gilroy; Alison Walker; **Uruguay:** María José Doyenart; **Zambia:** Bupe Mwamba; **Zimbabwe:** Chido Chinogurei; Vhiga Hope; Marifa Muchemwa.