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3-Panel conference in Madeira
The IUSSP is organizing a 3-Panel mini-conference on family planning, contraceptive transitions and unwanted pregnancy in Madeira (Portugal) from 12 to 15 July. The conference will bring together some 80 scholars, policy experts, and donors from around the globe to present and discuss the latest research on key topics related to family planning. (Read more)

IUSSP Panel activities
Population, ethics & human rights fellowship
The IUSSP Scientific Panel on Population Perspectives and Demographic Methods to Strengthen Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Systems is pleased to announce a Population, Ethics, and Human Rights fellows programme. Deadline for applications: 31 August 2022. (Read more)

Urban FP Panel at the Africities Summit 2022
The IUSSP Scientific Panel on Family Planning, Fertility and Urban Development organized two sessions at the 9th Africities Summit, Kisumu, Kenya 17-21 May 2022, to raise awareness of FP and reproductive health issues among African urban policymakers and practitioners. (Read more)

IUSSP Webinar Series
Debate on gender equity, vasectomies and tubal sterilizations
The IUSSP Panel on Couples' Reproductive Health and Fertility organized a lively debate on 8 June: "In a gender equitable world, with equity of sexual and reproductive rights for men and women, we would expect that there would be about the same number or more vasectomies as tubal sterilizations among couples wanting to stop childbearing. Yes or no?"
Watch the recorded webinar and read the written Q&A.
IUSSP Awards

2022 IUSSP Laureate - Peter McDonald

Peter McDonald, Emeritus Professor of Demography at the Australian National University, Honorary Professor at the University of Melbourne and former IUSSP President, was elected IUSSP's 32nd Laureate. The ceremony will be held online on Thursday 30 June.

Register in advance!

Call for 2023 IUSSP Laureate and eligibility extension

The IUSSP Council decided to further expand the eligibility criteria for 2023 Laureate nominations to make them (even) more inclusive. Nominees no longer have to be IUSSP members. The deadline to submit nominations for the 2023 Laureate Award is 1 November 2022. (Read more... and consider nominating a colleague)

News from the members

Members' new publications

- Research Handbook on International Migration and Digital Technology, edited by Marie McAuliffe
- International Handbook of Population Policies, edited by John F. May and Jack A. Goldstone
- The Oxford Handbook of Atrocity Crimes, edited by Barbora Holá, Hollie Nyseth Nzitatira, and Maartje Weerdesteijn
- Biodemography: An Introduction to Concepts and Methods, edited by James Carey and Deborah Roach, with a foreword by James Vaupel
- Diffusion des taxis-motos dans l’aire métropolitaine de Port-au-Prince : paradoxe et controverse, by Carline Joseph Duval

(Read Summaries)

Jean-François Kobiané President of UJKZ

Former IUSSP Council member Jean-François Kobiané has been appointed President of the Université Joseph Ki-ZERBO (UJKZ) of Ouagadougou. The handover ceremony took place on June 16.

(Read more)

New editor of IMR: Holly Reed

The Center for Migration Studies of New York (CMS) is pleased to announce the appointment of Holly E. Reed, PhD as editor of the International Migration Review (IMR), the premier social science journal in the field of international migration, ethnic group relations, and refugee movements.

(Read more)
In memoriam

- **James W. Vaupel** (1945-2022)
  Jim Vaupel was a leading figure in demographic research on mortality and longevity. He was an innovator, charismatic leader and a man of conviction as well as a captivating teacher and passionate researcher always full of new ideas he was eager to share. He conveyed his love of demography to generations of students and young researchers from all disciplines, with a particular fondness for formal demography, which he called the *champagne of demography.*

- **Ian Pool** (1936-2022)
  We were saddened to learn of the death of Ian Pool. He was an active IUSSP member who joined in 1965 and served on the IUSSP Committee on Age Structure and Public Policy (1999-2003), serving as co-editor of *Population, Resources and Development. Riding the Age Waves - Volume 1* (Springer 2005), which was one of 3 volumes produced by the Committee.
  (Read more)

New IUSSP members

Five new members and 16 new Student Associates joined the IUSSP between 1 March and 31 May 2022. Please encourage your colleagues and students to become members.
(See list)

Regional population associations

**Hybrid EPC 2022, in Groningen & online**

The European Population Conference 2022 will convene in Groningen, The Netherlands from 29 June to 2 July 2022. EPC 2022 will include 80 hybrid sessions, a fully virtual poster session, a Poster Café, an exhibition and a program of side meetings. The Keynote address will be given by Prof. Pearl Dykstra, Erasmus University Rotterdam, on “Bridging Science and Policy: Challenges for Population Scholars”. The IUSSP Panel on Digital Demography will hold a workshop on *"Using bibliometric data in demographic research"* (on site and online). Congratulations to EAPS’s newly elected Council members: Hill Kulu (President), Emilio Zagheni (VP), Anna Matysiak (Secretary-General and Treasurer), Giancarlo Camarda and Raya Muttarak.
(EPC 2022 website)

**ALAP at the 4th regional CPD in LAC**

The Latin American Population Association (ALAP) will participate in the Fourth session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, Santiago, 28-30 June 2022, organized by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC). On 28 June, the side event ALAP-UNFPA “Leaving no one behind: a balance of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development” will be broadcast on ALAP's YouTube channel at 15:00 UTC (11 am Santiago de Chile). The recording will be available at the same link. Working language: Spanish.
(Read more)
Other announcements

**Population is now an open science journal**
NEW: Available in both English and French, the entire content of the journal *Population* is now freely accessible online from the day of issue! Thanks to the support of the 'Subscribe to Open' programme, *Population* will continue to meet the high scientific standards that have forged its reputation: double-blind external peer review, English-French translation of all papers at INED’s expense, editing by professional editors.
(Read more)

**Mari Bhat Memorial Lecture**
International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS) organized the 14th Prof. P.N. Mari Bhat Memorial Lecture on 29 March 2022. Economist Prof. Ashwini Deshpande of Ashoka University, India, delivered the lecture on the topic "Nakusha: Son preference, unwanted girls and gender gaps in education."
(Read more)

**Sustainable Development Report 2022**
The Sustainable Development Report 2022 marks the seventh edition of the annual assessment of progress of all UN Member States towards the Sustainable Development Goals. This year's report discusses the critical need and channels of development finance for low-income and lower-middle income countries.
(Read the report / Read the executive summary)

**Population Early-Career Researcher Prize**
*Population* is a quarterly scientific journal published in English (Population-E) and in French (Population-F) by the French Institute for Demographic Studies (INED). The Population Early-Career Author Prize is open to PhD students and early-career researchers working in the field of population studies and will be awarded to the most outstanding original paper submitted to the competition jury. Deadline for submission: 4 November 2022.
(Read more)

**Master en Démographie en français**
Le Centre de recherche en démographie (UCLouvain) ouvre les inscriptions pour le Master en Sciences de la population et du développement—finalité démographie. Ce Master vous offre une formation aux méthodes démographiques quantitatives et qualitatives vous permettant d'analyser les questions démographiques et de développement dans le Nord et le Sud de la planète. L’échéance pour l’inscription des étudiants européens est le 30 août.
(Conditions d’accès et procédures d’admission et d’inscription)

**N-IUSSP**
**Recent articles**
- Educational consequences of parental divorce and death in Europe. Carlijn Bussemakers, Gerbert Kraaykam, Jochem Tolsma
• Cognition-driven demographic transition. Wolfgang Lutz
• Educational expansion and completed family size in low fertility countries. Ester Lazzari, Ryoei Mogi, Vladimir Canudas-Romo
• Increasing childlessness driven by higher female education in India. Koyel Sarkar, Thomas Baudin
• The impact of migration on the working age population at local level. Daniela Ghio, Anne Goujon, Natale Fabrizio
• Mobile phones protect women from intimate partner violence (in low- and middle-income countries). Luca Maria Pesando
• Intergenerational transmission of women’s life courses in Germany. Sergi Vidal, Philipp M. Lersch, Marita Jacob, Karsten Hank
• Unpacking the mortality-fertility link in Malawi: the role of unintended fertility. Emily Smith-Greenaway, Sara Yeatman, Abdallah Chilungo
• The contribution of the foreign-born population to demographic change in Europe. Christos Bagavos

Calls
Calls for papers

• New article collection on "Challenges and Advances in Long-term Forecasting in the Health Sciences" in Frontiers in Digital Health. Deadline for abstract submission: 25 June 2022
• PopFest 2022, the 28th Annual Population Postgraduate Conference, 26-28 October 2022, European University Institute, Florence, Italy. Deadline for submissions: 1 July 2022
• Population and Development Review Call For Abstracts - Special Issue on Population Challenges in the 21st Century. Deadline for submissions: 1 July 2022
• VI Portuguese Demography Conference on the theme of demographic (in)sustainability, Lisbon, Portugal, 13-14 October 2022. Deadline for submissions: Extended to 3 July 2022
• Special issue on Unmet Need for Contraception and Unintended Pregnancy, China Population and Development Studies. Deadline for submissions: 15 July 2022
• IUSSP Seminar on Migration in the past: patterns, causes, consequences, and implications, Online, 28 October 2022. Deadline for submissions: 17 July 2022
• Special issue in the journal Frontiers in Psychiatry on "Positive or Negative? The Effect of Emerging Technologies and Products on Mental Health". Deadline for submissions: 12 August 2022
• EAPS Working Group on Register-Based Fertility Research, Rostock, Germany, 15-16 December 2022. Deadline for abstract submissions: 21 August 2022
• Special Issue of the Journal of Family Theory & Review on Theorizing Singlehood. Deadline for submissions: 1 September 2022
Job opportunities
Jobs/Fellowships

- Scientific Director. Vienna Institute of Demography. Deadline for applications: 1 July 2022
- IUSSP Population, Ethics, and Human Rights Fellowship. Deadline for applications: 31 August 2022

Doctoral / Post-Doctoral Positions

- PhD position in in Economic Demography, Vienna Institute of Demography - Deadline for applications: 24 June 2022
- Post-doc in the field of Fertility and Demography, Vienna Institute of Demography - Deadline for applications: 30 June 2022
- Doctoral student in Economic History – Family differences in Health and Mortality - Deadline for applications: 4 July 2022

Calendar
Forthcoming IUSSP meetings & other events

- IUSSP Workshop on Using bibliometric data in demographic research, Hybrid (on site in Groningen and online), 29 June 2022
- European Population Conference (EPC 2022), Groningen, Netherlands and online, 29 June to 2 July 2022
- 2022 IUSSP Laureate Ceremony for Peter McDonald, Online, 30 June 2022
- IUSSP Seminar on Unintended Pregnancy and Key Outcomes - Abortion and Unplanned Births, Funchal, Madeira, 12-15 July 2022
- IUSSP 3-Panel mini-Conference, Funchal, Madeira, 12-15 July 2022
- International Conference on Population Geographies, online, 25-27 August 2022
- VI Portuguese Demography Conference, on the theme of demographic (in)sustainability. Lisbon, Portugal, 13-14 October 2022
- IUSSP Seminar on Migration in the past: patterns, causes, consequences, and implications, Online, 28 October 2022
- 6th International Conference on Family Planning (ICFP 2022). Pattaya City, Thailand, 14 to 17 November 2022
- ALAP 2022 - X Congress of the Latin American Population Association, Valparaíso, Chile, 6-9 December 2022

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 September 2022. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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IUSSP 3-Panel mini-Conference

Funchal, Madeira, 12-15 July 2022

This IUSSP mini-conference is organized by three Scientific Panels of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP) – the Panel on Family Planning, Fertility and Urban Development, the Panel on Contraceptive Transition Theories: Models for Contemporary Patterns of Use, and the Panel on Abortion Research - in collaboration with the Portuguese Association for Demography and with support from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

The conference will take place during the week of 11-15 July 2022 in Funchal, Madeira (Portugal) at the Vida Mar Resort Hotel. It will bring together approximately 80 scholars, policy experts, and donors from around the globe to meet to present and discuss the latest research by IUSSP scientific panels and next steps for future research on key topics related to family planning. The event is funded by grants made to the IUSSP from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to support the work of three IUSSP Scientific Panels whose mandates are to further knowledge on policy-relevant research for urban family planning, unintended pregnancy measures and population-level contraceptive transitions. The conference will support each panel in furthering their own research agenda and in leveraging the work and perspectives of the other panels and providing key discussion and networking opportunities for established and early career population scientists from across the globe engaged in family planning and reproductive health research. A key focus will be on engaging the cohort of early career fellows conducting research to engage with urban policy makers on family planning and urban development in sub-Saharan Africa.

The conference will be organized around three themes:

- Family Planning, Fertility and Urban Development
- Contraceptive Transition Theories: Models for Contemporary Patterns of Use
- Unintended Pregnancy and Key Outcomes—Abortion and Unplanned Births: Improvements in Measurement and New Evidence
Call for Applications:

Population, Ethics, and Human Rights Fellowship

Deadline for applications: 31 August 2022

Download the full PDF Call for Applications and instructions on how to apply

The IUSSP Scientific Panel on Population Perspectives and Demographic Methods to Strengthen Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Systems, jointly with the Institute on Inequalities in Global Health (USC IIGH), University of Southern California (United States), Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research (WiSER), University of Witwatersrand (South Africa) and Initiative for Social and Economic Rights (ISER) (Uganda), is issuing a global call for applications to host 3 early career research/practitioner professionals for a 12-month period. The official fellowship period will run from February 2023 to January 2024.

The Fellowship requires a full-time commitment during a 12-month residence period -- Fellows will be hosted for 6-months at WiSER, Johannesburg and 6-months at ISER, Uganda (fellowship extension beyond 12-months is subject to available funding). The Fellowship Program will include support for individual and group research projects, interactive dialogues, seminars and research/practitioner workshops that seek to unpack interdisciplinary perspectives with a particular focus on emerging challenges in low- and middle-income countries. Fellows will be supported by the IUSSP Scientific Panel and the partner institutions WiSER (South Africa), ISER (Uganda), and IIGH (United States).

Applications will be accepted from low- and middle-income countries from different geographic regions and disciplinary expertise and supported to become a cohort of thought leaders in this emerging field, including support for multidisciplinary collaboration. Fellows will be hosted at WiSER and ISER, so their residential fellowship will include direct study of and engagement with contemporary issues in South Africa and Uganda, as a complement to their own studies or areas of work (even if not specifically focused on South Africa or Uganda).

The fellowship program is designed to be immersive. Fellows will be in full-time residence at WiSER and ISER for 6-months, respectively, and will include three workshops with experts from the collaborating institutions and in the field more broadly. All sponsoring organizations will play key roles in supporting Fellows in their research. The residential component of the fellowship will immerse fellows in WiSER's weekly and monthly research seminars and colloquia and engage them with the Bhalisa Network and, while at ISER, will integrate them into ISER’s policy advocacy work in Uganda around ethics, rights and legal identity. Fellows will be mentored by faculty and staff from the collaborating institutions and be connected to new areas of research and practice as well as supported in expanding their interdisciplinary professional network.

The IUSSP and its partners are grateful for support from the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Canada that makes this fellowship and associated activities possible.

General Information:

The program is designed for exceptional early career professionals, scholars, and others with an interest in population register systems who:

1. possess the skills and commitment to use the fellowship experience to provide leadership in improving Emerging Ethics and Human Rights Issues in the Digitization of Population Register Systems at the global, national or local level;

2. bring a depth of expertise and knowledge about the ethics and/or rights issues embedded in the digitization of population register systems.
• **Expected Outputs:** a series of scholarly/practitioner articles and general audience mini-essays over the course of the 12-month fellowship

• **Educational Requirements:** Either a completed PhD or at least 3-years professional experience in the field of legal identity, global health, human rights, population studies or related fields such as social sciences, law, and public policy.

• **Language Requirements:** professional competence in English

• **Fellowship Support:** Fellows will receive a 12-month stipend, travel support to/from their location of residence and between Johannesburg and Kampala.

**How to Apply:**

Interested individuals are encouraged to apply, by **completing the online application form by 31 August at the very latest.**

**The form requires:**

• filling out the basic information in the form.

• listing the names and contact details of at least 2 professional/academic references.

• uploading of a **short cover letter** (2 pages, in pdf), briefly describing your professional achievements in relation with the fellowship as well what inspired you to apply. *[Kindly use the following file naming convention: "LASTNAME-firstname-CoverLetter" e.g. SMITH-Lynda-CoverLetter.pdf]*

• uploading of a **curriculum vitae** (in pdf) *[Naming the file:"LASTNAME-firstname-CV" e.g. SMITH-Michael-CV.pdf]*

• uploading a short description of the **research project** you wish to undertake (Project Title, Abstract, Background, Objectives, Methods, Funding...) "LASTNAME-firstname-ResearchProject" e.g. SMITH-Fatima-ResearchProject.doc]

*Please read the instructions provided in the full PDF Call for Applications (above) and prepare your application materials beforehand to be able to copy-paste into the online application form. Information must be submitted in English.*

The application form can be edited after completion until the 31 August deadline (logging in to the form using the same email).

**Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.**

**Enquiries:** Any enquiries should be directed to **Paul Monet.**
IUSSP Urban Family Planning Fellows participate in the 9th Africities Summit in Kisumu, Kenya 17-21 May 2022

One of the objectives of the IUSSP project on Elevating Urban Family Planning is to inform urban planners and policy makers about the contributions of family planning to making cities sustainable and resilient. What better place for the IUSSP Scientific Panel on Family Planning, Fertility and Urban Development and the Urban FP Fellows to communicate the results of family planning research than the 9th Africities Summit in Kisumu, Kenya.

Africities is a Pan Africa conference convened by the United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG-A) to bring together the leadership of cities and sub-national governments and their associations for the advancement of decentralization and local governance aimed at improving the living standards of citizens. The Summit included upwards of 11,000 onsite and virtual participants.

The IUSSP organized two 3-hour sessions on "Family Planning is critical to urban development: What you need to know and what you can do about it" in collaboration with The Challenge Initiative (TCI) on 18 May. The Honorable Esther Passaris, Nairobi County Women Representative, chaired both sessions. The speakers included IUSSP Urban Family Planning Fellows and Panel members, elected officials who have championed family planning initiatives in their local communities, and representatives from TCI and the Ouagadougou Partnership. IUSSP members presented evidence on the causes of rapid population growth in Africa’s urban areas and the ways family planning can contribute to urban development; while local leaders and TCI representatives discussed the measures they implemented to improve access to family planning services in their communities, and why this is important. Click here to see presentation videos and powerpoints.

The sessions opened with a video entitled "When Urban Development meets Family Planning" produced by Faireprod for the IUSSP Panel in collaboration with TCI, African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC), the African Institute for Development Policy (AFIDEP), and the Union for African Population Studies (UAPS). Trudy Harpham, IUSSP scientific advisory panel co-chair, coordinated the development of the video and also worked with the session presenters to ensure complementary among the speakers.

This was an ideal opportunity for IUSSP fellows and researchers to discuss with policy makers and local officials. At the end of the session the participants with the assistance of APHRC worked on a declaration and set of recommendations to guide UCLG-A’s future work. The issues and information presented in the sessions along with a well-developed press release attracted the attention of reporters attending the event. The press release and the sessions themselves resulted not only in a feature article in the Africities Summit newsletter but also in a number of articles in the national and international press including:

- Poor access to family planning blamed for rapid urban growth | Nation
- Africities summit highlights limited access to family planning. The Standard, Kenya
- Africities proposes blueprint for African urban development. The East African
- African experts warn maternal health at stake amid shortage of contraceptives in cities Xinhua (Chinese press)
- The Africities Summit highlights the limited access to family planning (newsbeezer.com)
- Africa: Family Planning Crucial in Urban Development Science Africa
Participation in the Africities Summit was an opportunity for the fellows to put into practice the many skills the fellowship programme sought to develop including effectively communicating scientific evidence to a non-academic audience, engaging with city level policy makers and leaders, and making the urban planning and development community aware of family planning’s contributions to urban sustainability.

Following a day of sessions, APHRC’s communications staff led a refresher training workshop for the fellows on policy engagement and communications. Over the past 2 years, APHRC trainers have worked with the fellows on improving their presentation style to more effectively communicate their research results, especially to policy makers.

It was the first time many of the fellows had an opportunity to spend time in person together since the programme began in 2019. The fellows ended the session with a discussion on how the virtual training activities, along with their work with policy makers and community leaders had improved their communication skills and built their confidence to communicate the policy relevant results of their research.

Kudos to the Urban FP fellows, the IUSSP Panel members and coordinator, Judith Helzner, who worked from afar as she was unable to travel to Kisumu, and the trainers at APHRC for organizing the sessions at Africities. This project is funded by a grant to the IUSSP from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.
Debate: "In a world with equity of sexual and reproductive rights for men and women, there would be about the same number or more vasectomies as tubal ligations." Yes or no?

Tuesday 24 May 2022

Watch a video of the debate here!

The IUSSP Scientific Panel on Couples' Reproductive Health and Fertility organized a debate on the following topic:

• "In a gender equitable world, with equity of sexual and reproductive rights for men and women, we would expect that there would be about the same number or more vasectomies as tubal sterilizations among couples wanting to stop childbearing. Yes or no?"

Six debaters took turns debating alternately in favor of one of the two positions: Deborah Bateson, Priya Nanda and Logan Nickels argued "Yes" while Akanni Akinyemi, Joe Strong and Raquel Zanatta Coutinho argued "No". The webinar was introduced by IUSSP Panel chair Stan Becker and moderated by Suzana Cavenaghi. Neetu John and Angela Akol facilitated the Q&A. Ambrose Akinlo provided a summary and reconciliation.

The webinar included Q&A with the audience, who were invited to cast their vote in favor of one of the arguments before and after the debate.

Results of the initial and post-debate polls:
In the initial poll, a slight majority favoured "yes" (56% vs. 44% "no"). In the post-debate poll, we see that none of the attendees who had initially said "no" changed their mind but 12 of 27 attendees who had initially voted "yes" changed their vote to "no". So the final result of the post-debate poll is "yes" 31% vs. "no" 69%.
Peter McDonald - 2022 IUSSP Laureate

**Peter McDonald**, Emeritus Professor of Demography at the Australian National University, Honorary Professor at the University of Melbourne and former IUSSP President, was elected IUSSP's 32nd Laureate. This award recognizes Peter's outstanding contributions to the advancement of population science, notably his contributions to demographic theory, research and training as well as his service to governments in relating demographic research to policy and planning issues.

Peter McDonald served on three IUSSP Councils, as Council member (2002-2005), as Vice President (2006-2009) and as President (2010-2013). He also served on three IUSSP committees: the Committee on the Teaching of Demography (1979-1983), the Committee on Comparative Analysis of Fertility and Family Planning (1985-1989) and the Working Group on Low Fertility (1999-2001), which he chaired.

For more details on Peter McDonald's career and contributions, you are invited to read the full nomination letter.

The Laureate ceremony will be held online on Thursday 30 June.

**Register in advance and SAVE THE DATE in your calendar.**

The ceremony will be chaired by IUSSP President Shireen Jejeebhoy and will include a number of speakers who will address various aspects of Peter's career: Gavin Jones, John Casterline, Mary Brinton, Jalal Abbasi-Shavazi, Rebecca Kippen, Jeromey Temple, Ariane Utomo, and Meimanat Hosseini-Chavoshi.

In addition to the presentations, there will be an opportunity for members of the audience to say a few words at the end of the ceremony. If you are interested in speaking, let us know when you register.

*Nominations for the 2022 Laureate are open – the deadline to submit nominations is 1 November 2021.*
Call for 2023 IUSSP Laureate and eligibility extension

The IUSSP Laureate Award honours exceptional achievements in the population field. Outstanding contributions to the advancement of population sciences through research, training, policy advice and science communication, as well as distinguished services rendered to the population community and the Union will be taken into consideration for this Award. Nominees should exemplify the highest standards of professional conduct.

General Information:

The IUSSP Laureate Award is bestowed every year.

IUSSP members are invited to nominate candidates for the IUSSP Laureate Award. Candidates for the Award do not have to be a member of the IUSSP. We welcome nominations of candidates from diverse backgrounds, genders and regions. Nominations should include an explanatory statement by the nominator, supporting statements of at least five IUSSP members of different nationalities, and a full curriculum of the candidate. Self-nominations will not be considered for this Award.

The IUSSP Council selects the successful candidate by secret ballot. Nominated candidates remain eligible for the Award for a period of no longer than four years.

Members of the current IUSSP Council may not be nominated for the Award nor sign a supporting statement.

Procedure:
The nomination document, including the letter of nomination and all supporting documents including the Curriculum Vitae of the nominee and any supporting emails, should be sent in one single PDF file to the IUSSP Executive Director Mary Ellen Zuppan (zuppan@iussp.org)

Please mention “IUSSP Laureate Nomination” in the subject line of the email.

Note that Individual emails of support for a candidate should be sent directly to the person coordinating the nomination, who should include these in the nomination document.

Nominations for the 2023 Laureate are open – the deadline to submit nominations is 1 November 2022.
James W. Vaupel (1945 - 2022)

Jim Vaupel was a leading figure in demographic research on mortality and longevity. He was an innovator, charismatic leader and a man of conviction as well as a captivating teacher and passionate researcher always full of new ideas he was eager to share. He conveyed his love of demography to generations of students and young researchers from all disciplines, with a particular fondness for formal demography, which he called the champagne of demography.

Born in 1945 in New York, he initially studied mathematical statistics at Harvard and then business, before finally defending a thesis in public policy. But in the middle of the 1970s, shocked by the death at a relatively young age of three of his close relatives, he began studying mortality. He started a brilliant teaching and research career in demography, first at the University of Minnesota and then at Duke University. He drew the attention of his peers with his work on the topic of survival and aging, in particular with the 1979 volume *The impact of heterogeneity in individual frailty on the dynamics of mortality* written with Kenneth Manton and Eric Stallard. Jim Vaupel was also a long-time member of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) in Laxenburg, Austria.

No doubt this unique background influenced the choice made in 1996 by the Max Planck Society, which was looking for a someone to set up and direct a new research institute dedicated to demography in Rostock, the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR). What a perfect choice! Starting from scratch in what was then an uninviting city, Jim Vaupel was able to create what quickly became a jewel in the crown of European demographic research.

Jim Vaupel went on to create the first open-access journal in the discipline, *Demographic Research*, launched several training initiatives, such as the European Doctoral School for Demography and the Max Planck Research Network on Aging, and informed European decision-makers through the Population Europe network.

None of this prevented him from pursuing his highly appreciated teaching career at Duke or from building strong links with the University of Southern Denmark, where, after serving 20 years as director of MPIDR, he continued his research and teaching as Professor of Social, Health and Natural Sciences and Director of the Interdisciplinary Centre on Population Dynamics. Up until very recently, he was the director of an International Chair for the AXA Research Fund and had just won an advanced grant from the European Research Council.

Jim Vaupel joined the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population in the early 1980s where he was always very active. In addition to his assiduous presence at the major international population conferences, he chaired the Panel on Social and Biological Determinants of Longevity from 2009 to 2012 and organized two landmark workshops on "The Life Expectancy Revolution" in 2010 and on "The b-Hypothesis and the Modal Age at Death" in 2011. He also shared the Union’s concern for teaching younger generations of demographers and was instrumental in co-organizing three IUSSP-MPIDR Summer Schools: in 2005 on "Limits to Demographic Research on Mortality and Longevity", in 2007 on "Mathematical Demography and its Applications to Human and Non-Human Species", and in 2009 on "The Frontiers of Demographic Analysis".
Jim Vaupel consistently sought to combine demography and biology, contributing greatly to the development of biodemography in the study of mortality. He was particularly interested in the links between evolution and demography developing a new field of research in evolutionary demography seeking to better understand the mechanisms of senescence.

Jim saw himself as a kind of mathematical biologist. He was fascinated by the idea that human lifespan had no tangible limit because of its multifactorial plasticity. To try to understand this phenomenon, he started gathering as much information as possible on supercentenarians (people living more than 110 years), an emerging group he had been the first to highlight. This research led to the development of the International Database on Longevity (IDL) which involved collaborations with INED and INSERM, MPIIDR and other research centers.

Jim's sudden death is a great shock for all those who knew him well and a great loss for science.

His closest colleagues will long remember his wit and insatiable curiosity. He was bubbling with ideas, which he never kept to himself; he would show you a mathematical formula written on a piece of paper like it was a priceless jewel.

We sympathize with the sorrow of his wife, Bodil, and his daughters Anna and Sofie, to whom we express our heartfelt condolences.

Carlo-Giovanni Camarda, France Meslé, Jean-Marie Robine, Jacques Vallin

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**Ian Pool (1936–2022)**

We were saddened to learn of the death of Ian Pool, on 28 April 2022 at the age of 85. He was an active IUSSP member who joined in 1965 and served on the IUSSP Committee on Age Structure and Public Policy (1999-2003), serving as co-editor of *Population, Resources and Development. Riding the Age Waves* - *Volume 1* (Springer 2005), which was one of 3 volumes produced by the Committee.

Ian Pool was the inaugural director of the Population Studies Centre at the University of Waikato from 1980 to 2004, He was also a driving force behind the PSC’s successor, the National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis (NIDEA), now known as Te Ngira. Ian Pool’s research was extensive, and his contributions recognised both nationally and internationally. His books, The Māori Population of New Zealand 1769-1971, and Te Iwi Māori: A New Zealand Population, Past, Present and Projected, remain definitive texts on Māori population dynamics in New Zealand. In 2015 he extended these works with the publication of Colonization and development in New Zealand between 1769 and 1900: The seeds of Rangiatea. He also worked for many years on population issues in both Francophone and Anglophone Africa, directing field surveys and carrying out missions for international agencies, including for the World Fertility Survey.

Read also University of Waikato's obituary: [https://www.waikato.ac.nz/news-opinion/media/2022/father-of-demography-ian-pool-passes-away](https://www.waikato.ac.nz/news-opinion/media/2022/father-of-demography-ian-pool-passes-away)
New members and student associates

New members:
Five new members joined the IUSSP between 1 March and 31 May 2022


New Student Associates:
Seventeen new student associates joined the IUSSP between 1 March and 31 May 2022