



INTERNATIONAL GENETIC EPIDEMIOLOGY SOCIETY

Newsletter – *January 2018 Post-Election Edition*

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<p>Letter from the President Inke König</p>

Dear IGES community,

I wish you all a joyful and successful new year 2018! I feel deeply honored to serve as President for our International Genetic Epidemiology Society this year. Especially in a time where many countries are retracting from their international co-operations and responsibilities, I feel that our international community is more important than ever!

I would like to thank our outgoing President, Andrew Morris, for his leadership. In a meticulous, well-organized and friendly manner, he has always been open to new suggestions and has moved our organization forward. Many thanks also to Josée Dupuis as outgoing Past President for her tremendous service over the past years. She worked hard for the Society, always maintained an overview and stayed enthusiastic. She made a very successful meeting in Cambridge 2017 possible, which we all enjoyed!

We are also indebted to the members serving as Officers and on the Board of Directors of IGES. Facing my new responsibilities, I am glad to be able to rely on our experienced Officers Mariza de Andrade, Heather Cordell and Sanjay Shete for their invaluable support. I would especially like to thank our outgoing board members Celia Greenwood and Andrew Paterson for their valuable time and input. It is my extreme pleasure to simultaneously welcome Celia as the President-elect, and I look very much forward to working with her. A warm welcome also to our new board members Pak Sham and Elizabeth Gillanders who have agreed to serve for the



coming three years. I am very pleased to emphasize that, for the second time in the history of IGES, we thus have a director from Asia.

Our Society survives on its members! I would therefore like to take the opportunity to encourage all of you to **contribute actively to IGES**. We have a number of interesting committees shown on our website that constantly seek new members. Being part of a committee is interesting, fun, and an excellent opportunity to work on your own network. Also please encourage other researchers – junior or senior – to become involved and contribute their ideas!

Please also remember to **renew your membership to IGES 2018**. Note that the renewal is not automatic and does not come automatically with attending the annual IGES meeting. Being a member is rewarding: In addition to being part of a great international scientific community, you have online access to Genetic Epidemiology and a reduced attendance fee for our meeting.

Finally, please mark your calendars for the **annual IGES meeting in San Diego October 14-16 2018!** The meeting will be held in conjunction with the American Society of Human Genetics with advanced plans for a joint session. Spread the word, and I hope to see you all there!

With best wishes for a great 2018,

Inke König

2018 IGES President



Lübeck, Germany

Treasurer's Corner
Mariza de Andrade



I am pleased as Treasurer to share with IGES members that we remain in good financial standing, and that we will continue to be vigilant in our negotiations and management of resources to maintain this good standing.

I would like to remind IGES members that the 2018 IGES membership will open shortly; an e-mail reminder with details will be sent. You can also go to www.geneticepi.org for information. Please encourage your colleagues and collaborators to join as well! Note that this year IGES will be offering additional categories of registration for members from low- or lower-middle-income countries.

As a reminder for this year, IGES is a charitable and educational organization, and any contribution other than membership and meeting registration fee is tax-deductible. This can be done along with your membership renewal process. Your continuous support of IGES is appreciated!

Mariza de Andrade

Treasurer

Editor's Corner, Genetic Epidemiology
Sanjay Shete

Dear IGES members, as an official journal for our society, Genetic Epidemiology invites you to submit your work in the fields of statistical, epidemiological and population genetics. Genetic Epidemiology is interested in both the methodological and applied papers. Examples include: applied genetic epidemiology papers (e.g. meta-analyses of GWAS, Secondary analyses of GWAS data), gene and environment interactions, risk prediction models, DNA methylation and RNA seq data analysis. Other novel work is welcome!

The December 2017 issue can be found here:

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/gepi.2017.41.issue-8/issuetoc>

Benefits of Publishing in Genetic Epidemiology: There is no publishing cost for authors (e.g. page charges, black-white figures). In addition, every year, journal selects few papers for "open access" (unrestricted online access) publishing at no cost to the authors. Please register on Wiley online library to receive email alerts for new content and saved searches. The website for registration is <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/user-registration>

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This is your journal: make it reflect your work by submitting your papers to Genetic Epidemiology!

Thanks and I look forward to your active participation in the journal.

Sanjay Shete
Editor-in-Chief
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IGES 2018 Membership Drive

Dear IGES members,

It will soon be time to renew your membership for 2018. We had hoped to have membership registration open by mid November 2017, but this has been delayed as we transition over to a new membership system. We now hope to have membership registration open by the end of January 2018. An announcement will be sent round once membership registration is open. The early-bird membership fee is available before March 1, 2018.

Please observe the fact that membership registration and annual meeting registration have been separate since 2014. Therefore you are NOT automatically registered as an IGES member just with meeting attendance. A separate registration for IGES Society membership is necessary:

<http://www.geneticepi.org/membership/>

Rates for 2018 IGES membership:

- Regular member **US\$130**, if paid by March 1, 2018 (early-bird)
- Regular member **US\$155** if paid on or after March 2, 2018
- Student and Post-Doctoral Fellow* member with online access to Journal **US\$68**, rate continues all year but please aim to pay by March 1, 2018
- Student and Post-Doctoral Fellow* member **without** online access to Journal **US\$25**, rate continues all year but please aim to pay by March 1, 2018
- Low- or lower-middle- income country* member with online access to Journal **US\$68**; without online access to Journal **US\$25**.

* For eligibility see IGES website

Benefits of IGES membership:

- Receive complimentary on-line access to **Genetic Epidemiology** (the official IGES journal)
- Post announcements and job adverts on the IGES website at **no cost**
- Attend annual IGES scientific meetings at **reduced cost**
- Interact with **scientific peers** worldwide
- Learn about the **latest methodological developments, software, and research findings** in genetic epidemiology
- Help the society **promote** the field of **genetic epidemiology** internationally

Your IGES dues help to support...

- The **Roger Williams** and **James V. Neel** Awards (\$1000 each to the best IGES presentation by a **student** and a **young scientist**)
- **Travel expenses** to the annual IGES meeting for worthy students in financial need
- **Continuing education** and outreach to the scientific community about the discipline, analytical methods, and software used in genetic epidemiology through workshops and classes
- Subsidies for **student subscriptions** to the journal *Genetic Epidemiology*

IGES 2017 Elections for 2019 President and 2018 Members of the Board of Directors Election Results

Thank you to all the members who cast their votes in the recent ballot. Here are the results of the 2017 Elections.

We congratulate **Celia Greenwood** on her election as IGES President in 2019. Celia will take on the role of President-Elect in 2018.



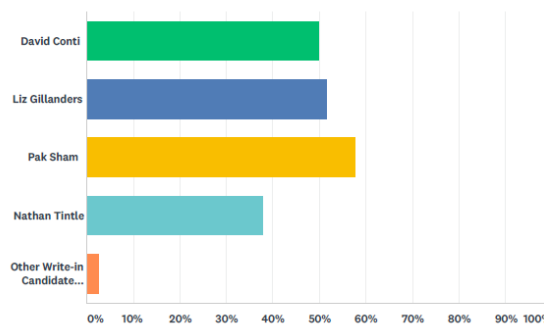
After an extremely close election, our congratulations also go to **Liz Gillanders** and **Pak Sham** on their election as members of the IGES Board of Directors to serve from January 1st 2018 to December 31st 2020.

2017 Election for 2018 Board Members and 2019 President

SurveyMonkey

Q2 Please select only 2 candidates from the list below to serve on the Board of Directors

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
David Conti	50.00% 58
Liz Gillanders	51.72% 60
Pak Sham	57.76% 67
Nathan Tintle	37.93% 44
Other Write-in Candidate (please specify)	2.59% 3
Total Respondents: 116	

The electoral turnout, as a percentage of all current members in 2017, was 36.6%.

Congratulations to the successful candidates and thank you to everyone for your candidacy and support of IGES.

[The ballot paper for these elections was sent out by SurveyMonkey. Note that all members may opt-out of emails from IGES sent via sources such as MemberClicks, Cvent and SurveyMonkey. However, please note that by opting out, you will no longer receive ANY mail at all from IGES, including important election announcements and ballot links, as well as the newsletters and our annual meeting announcements].

IGES 2018 in San Diego, USA
Save the date!

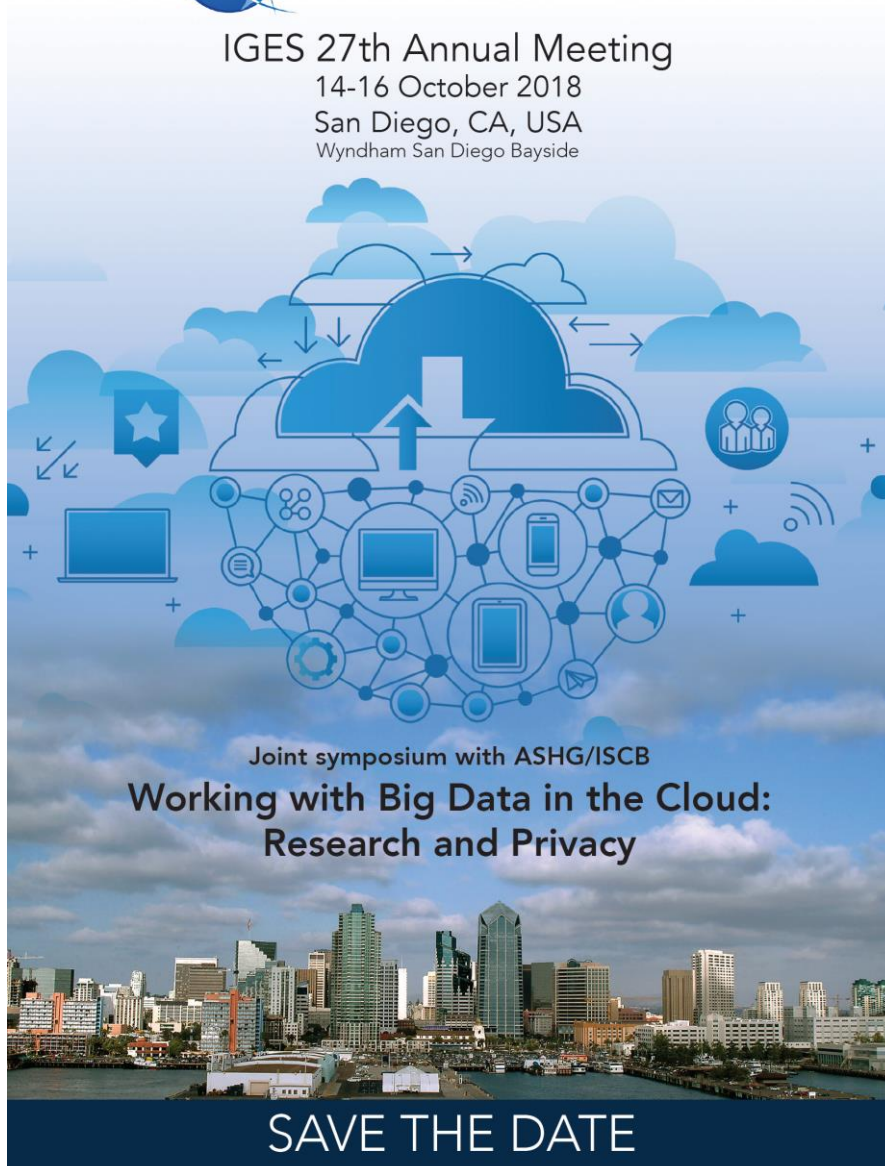
IGES 27th Annual Meeting
October 14-16, 2018 in San Diego, USA
Wyndham San Diego Bayside

Including Joint Symposium with ASHG/ISCB on October 16
“Working with Big Data in the Cloud: Research and Privacy”

For the most up-to-date details visit
<http://www.geneticepi.org/iges-2018/>



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2018 IGES Officials

The names of all the IGES officials are available on our **website**:

<http://www.geneticepi.org/organization/>

Current **officers** are: President: Inke König; Past President: Andrew Morris; President-Elect: Celia Greenwood; Treasurer: Mariza de Andrade; Secretary: Heather Cordell; Editor-in-Chief, Genetic Epidemiology: Sanjay Shete.

Board members comprise the officers and the following 6 people: Julia Bailey, Xihong Lin, David Balding, Jeanine Houwing-Duistermaat, Liz Gillanders and Pak Sham.

The **Education Committee** is co-chaired by Stephanie Santorico and Todd Edwards.

The **ELSI Committee** is chaired by Daniel Shriner.

This year's **Publications Committee** is chaired by Celia Greenwood (ex-officio).

The **Scientific Program Committee** for 2018 is chaired by Guillaume Paré.

The **Young Investigators' Committee** is chaired by James Cook.

The **Communications Committee** is chaired by Heather Cordell (ex-officio).

Please refer to the above website for the current respective committee members.

The **Wiley/Genetic Epidemiology Liaison Committee** is chaired by Mike Province. Members are Sanjay Shete, Angelo Canty, and Alexander Wilson.

The **IGES webmaster** is Sarah Gagliano. The **IGES Facebook contact** is Elizabeth Blue and the **Twitter contact** is Priya Duggal.

Membership and conference administration is organized by Vanessa Olmo.

IGES Web Site: <http://www.geneticepi.org/>

IGES Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/geneticepi?ref=hl>

IGES Twitter page: <https://twitter.com/genepisociety>

IGES Facebook page exclusively for Young Investigators:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/International-Genetic-Epidemiology-Society-Iges-Next-Generation/174416209303988?ref=hl>

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