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From the President

It has now been about 6 months since the 18th International Congress of Biometeorology (ICB) in Tokyo. As President of the ISB, it is my intention to contribute to the ISB News section of the *International Journal of Biometeorology* occasionally to provide readers with updates on developments and progress of the Society.

The Executive Board of the Society has been very active since the Congress. The Society's new Secretary, Mark D. Schwartz, informed readers in the previous issue of the journal about the development of the new web site for the Society. Similarly, the Editor-in-Chief of the journal, Scott Sheridan, has been very productive, and again in the previous issue of the journal he informed readers about the implementation of a number of the developments that were agreed upon at the Executive Board meetings in Tokyo, including the recruitment of several new Field Editors. Our Treasurer, John Gaughan, has also been very busy over the past few months, including the processing of membership renewals and applications for new membership of the Society.

Andreas Matzarakis, Vice-President, has taken on the responsibility of editing and producing the *Biometeorology*

Bulletin, and members of the Society will have received his first issue recently. Glenn McGregor, President-Elect, has already started organisation of the next ICB, in Auckland, New Zealand, in 2011. Details of this important ISB meeting will be provided in ISB News in future issues over the coming months and years.

The ISB has many outstanding scientists amongst its members, and it actively seeks to support students and new professionals with an interest in biometeorology. As President of the Society, I aim to significantly develop and enhance the Society over the coming years, and I welcome feedback, comment and questions, from anyone regarding the ISB and biometeorology.

Finally, let me take this opportunity to wish all readers a happy equinox.

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