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Announcement

Nato Advanced Study Institute on Statistical Distributions in Scientific Work

A NATO Advanced Study Institute on statistical distributions in scientific work will be held at the University of Trieste, Trieste, Italy during July 14-July 25, 1980. The Institute will be preceded by a Short Intensive Preparation Course during July 10-July 15 and followed by a Research Conference and Workshop during July 23-August 1.

The emphasis of the program will be on the theory and applications of statistical distributions with reference to multidimensional random variables. Relevant significant developments with respect to single dimension random variables will be included. Both quantitative methodology and scientific significance will be emphasized. Both instrumentation-related and computer-related problems will be discussed.

The purpose of the activity is to give a unified and integrated view of different classes of distributions and to describe novel methodologies related to statistical distributions and/or their applications. Alternatively, contributions on the description and characterization of distributions which are useful in a particular area of application, e.g., medicine, engineering, forestry, etc., will be welcomed.

Participants in full atendance will receive partial support as per need and supply. Young predoctoral and postdoctoral statisticians, scientists, engineers, managers, and faculty are encouraged to apply. Suggestions for topics and speakers are also invited.

The program committee consists of: G.P. Patil, USA (Chairman); B. Baldessari, Italy (Director); T. Cacoullos, Greece; S. Engen, Norway; S. Kotz, USA; J.E. Mosimann, USA; J.K. Ord, England; C.R. Rao, USA; L. Rondini, Italy; C. Taillie, USA (Co-Director); J. Tiago de Oliveira, Portugal; W.G. Warren, Canada; and M.E. Wise, Netherlands.

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Important Notice

A Request for Copies of Publications on Statistical Distributions and their Applications to Various Fields

A Dictionary and Bibliography of Statistical Distributions is now in its final stages of preparation. Both discrete and continuous distributions are included, whether univariate or multivariate. Further, a Display of Literature on Statistical Distributions in Scientific Work will be organized during the forthcoming program to be held at Trieste, Italy during July 10-August 1, 1980. One or two copies of relevant literature in the form of reprints, reports, computer programs, theses, books, etc., would be most welcomed as soon as possible. (No need to send the materials again if they have already been sent.) Please send these to:

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