# **International Statistical Engineering Association (ISEA)**

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**Format** 

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1.0 Scope

This policy defines the format of the Stu Hunter Research Conference (SHRC).

### 2.0 Responsibilities

- 2.1 The Board of Directors has oversight responsibility for this policy.
- 2.2 The SHRC Management Committee has the responsibility to implement the policy.

#### 3.0 Specifications

- 3.1 The SHRC is an invitation only conference designed to bring together the top people in the fields of industrial statistics, quality engineering, and statistical engineering.
- 3.2 The SHRC Management Committee determines the targeted number of attendees in consultation with that year's Program and Local Arrangements Committees.
- 3.3 The conference location:
  - 3.3.1 Moves around the globe. Two successive conferences cannot be held on the same continent.
  - 3.3.2 Ideally, is relatively remote.
  - 3.3.3 All participants stay at the conference venue.
  - 3.3.4 The conference provides all meals.
  - 3.3.5 The communal aspect is extremely important to provide the proper overall conference atmosphere.
  - 3.3.6 The idea is to balance the science within the sessions with the proper social environment that allows conversations about the topics throughout the conference.
- 3.4 The conference format is:
  - 3.4.1 Six sessions over three days, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.
  - 3.4.2 Each session consists of two parts, each of 90 minutes.
    - 3.4.2.1 There is a single speaker for the first part.
      - 3.4.2.1.1 The talk must provide enough introduction to the topic to allow all participants to understand the basic research question, its importance, and a clear picture of the approach being taken.

- 3.4.2.1.2 The talk then may go into as much technical detail as the speaker wishes.
- 3.4.2.1.3 If the talk ends early, the moderator opens the floor for general questions for the primary speaker.
- 3.4.2.2 The second part is for discussion of the paper presented in the first part.
  - 3.4.2.2.1 Begins after an approximately 30-minute break.
  - 3.4.2.2.2 Two discussants who are extremely well versed in the primary talk's area present their views (15-20 minutes each maximum) of the talk with an expressed purpose to generate floor conversation.
  - 3.4.2.2.3 The primary speaker provides a brief rejoinder.
  - 3.4.2.2.4 The remainder of the session is floor discussion.
  - 3.4.2.2.5 The intent of the discussion is to produce better and more applicable research.
- 3.4.3 The strong expectation is that all attendees actively participate in at least one, preferably more, session.
- 3.5 The Program Committee controls the conference content and the invitations.

## **Revision History**

#### **Date** Reason

11/17/2018 New policy.