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NISS Affiliates Update: February 2007

New Affiliate. We welcome the Energy Information Administration, Washington, DC. Ruey-Pyng Lu is the EIA representative.

1. 2007 Affiliates Annual Meeting will be held at the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) in Washington on April 26–27. In addition to traditional activities such as *Three-Minute Madness*, the program will include:

- A new researchers session.
- A first look at, and discussion of, a NISS initiative “Analytical Computing Platforms for the Future.”
- A problem session, with 20-minute slots available to those wanting to place problems before the entire group.

2. Upcoming Affiliates Workshops

March 15–16: Workshop on Modifying Surveys in Response to Disruptions, at the BLS.

March 26–29: “Introduction to Rasch Measurement: Theory and Application” led by David Andrich, in RTP, co-sponsored by MetaMetrics and NISS. *Details:* <http://www.lexile.com/DesktopDefault.aspx?view=re&tabindex=3&tabid=92>.

2. SAMSI Spring Events

April 2–3: Joint Engineering and Methodology Subprograms Workshop (2006–07 Program on Development, Assessment and Utilization of Complex Computer Models), at SAMSI. *Details:* <http://www.samsi.info/workshops/2006compmod-mucm200704.shtml>.

April 10–13: Transition Workshop (2006-07 Program on High Dimensional Inference and Random Matrices), at the American Institute of Mathematics, Palo Alto, CA. *Details:* forthcoming.

May 14–16: Transition Workshop (2006–07 Program on Development, Assessment and Utilization of Complex Computer Models), at the Radisson Hotel RTP. *Details:* forthcoming.

3. SAMSI Summer Programs

Challenges in Dynamic Treatment Regimes and Multistage Decision-Making. Tutorials on June 18–19 (Radisson Hotel RTP), Opening Workshop on June 21–22 (Radisson Hotel RTP), and Working Groups and Transition Workshop on June 23–29 (SAMSI). *Details:* <http://www.samsi.info/programs/2007adaptivetreatmentprogram.shtml>.

Geometry and Statistics of Shape Spaces. Tutorials on July 7–8 (Radisson Hotel RTP), Workshop on July 9–11, 2007 (Radisson Hotel RTP), and Working Groups on July 12–13 (SAMSI). *Details:* <http://www.samsi.info/programs/2007shapeprogram.shtml>.

4. SAMSI Fall Events. As the SAMSI programs for 2007–08 develop, there are significant changes in expected emphases and working groups. Even though there are time lags in updating them, the relevant SAMSI web pages should be consulted.

September 16–19: Opening Workshop, 2007–08 Program on Risk Analysis, Extreme Events and Decision Theory (Radisson Hotel RTP). *Details:* forthcoming

September 23–26: Opening Workshop, 2007–08 Program on Random Media (Radisson Hotel RTP). *Details:* forthcoming

5. SAMSI Student Programs

May 21–25: SAMSI/CRSC Undergraduate Workshop (NC State University). *Details:* forthcoming

July 23–31: CRSC/SAMSI Workshop for Graduate Students (NC State University). *Details:* forthcoming