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ISSA Elections 2007

The ISSA election for the new Executive Board for the 4-year term 2008-2011 is now complete. We would like to thank everyone who voted and in particular all of the candidates who stood in the election. This was one of, if not, the highest voter returns in ISSA history which is very pleasing.

The new Executive Board for 2008-2011 in rank order of votes is:

Steve Jackson
Chris Hallinan*
Elizabeth Pike*
Fabien Ohl
Kim Schimmel
Gertrud Pfister

*equal number of votes

According to the ISSA Statutes (see Articles 5.3 and 8.6 at: http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz/documents/StatutesFinal2006.pdf) office holders will be appointed to their respective positions and this will be formally announced at the conference in Copenhagen. On behalf of all candidates thank you to everyone who participated in the election. Also on behalf of ISSA we would like to thank the Elections Officers: H.P. Stamm and Markus Lamprecht. They did an outstanding job including the launch of a new electronic voting system. ISSA is very grateful for the time, effort and care you contributed to this important task.
**2007 ISSA Conference**

The congress organizers want to thank everyone for your overwhelming interest in the 2007 ISSA/ISHPES congress in Copenhagen. We have received 340 abstracts and will have an exciting program. Although the deadline has passed and we cannot accept any more abstracts, it is still possible to participate in the congress. One important piece of good news we would like to share is that we have received money from the Danish Centre for Cultural Exchange which will support colleagues coming from Category B and C countries with a reduced or waived registration fee. The Pro-Rector of the University of Copenhagen, Lykke Friis, will open the congress and introduce the keynote speech of Anthony Giddens. Aside from the scientific highlights we are also organizing an exciting social program. We are looking forward to meeting you all in Copenhagen.

*Gertrud Pfister, Else Trangbaek and Anne Lykke Poulsen*

**ISSA pre-Conference Seminar, July 31, 2007**

Prior to this year’s ISSA conference the University of Copenhagen will host a special seminar titled: “Asian Sport in a Global World: Traditions and Transformations, July 31, commencing at 1:00 pm. A preliminary program will be sent as a separate attachment.

**2007 ISSA Young Scholar/Graduate Student Workshop**

In response to expressions of interest ISSA will be offering a special workshop/seminar for Young Scholars/Graduate Students. The purpose of the workshop is to provide an opportunity for young scholars to ask questions about research, graduate study, publishing, careers etc. in an informal, relaxed and friendly atmosphere. A brief overview presentation will be made based on the interests expressed. **Steve Jackson** (University of Otago, New Zealand) is coordinating the session. If you have any particular questions or topics you would like to have discussed please send Steve an e-mail at: steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz

**2008 ISSA Conference: Kyoto, Japan**

ISSA is pleased to announce that our 2008 conference will be held in Kyoto, Japan, with tentative dates July 26-29. Further information will be distributed in the near future. We encourage all ISSA members to begin planning for this exciting event.

**Your views:**

ISSA is always looking for ways to improve communication and serve our members. We encourage you to submit comments and suggestions and/or to share news. Please send any feedback to the General Secretary: Steve Jackson at: steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz