

Afternoon Seminar on 27 September "*Kurkistuksia tulevaisuuteen – miten tilastoja hyödynnetään ennustamisessa?*"

The City of Helsinki and the Finnish Statistical Society will organize an afternoon seminar on statistics-based forecasting on Friday, September 27 at 13:00. The seminar will be held at Kuntatalo in Helsinki, and the presentations will be in Finnish. For more information, please see the (in Finnish) [page on the society's' website](#).

Yearbook 2017-2018 published

The biannual yearbook of the Society has been published, and is freely available [on our website](#). A printed version of the book may be purchased at a price of 22 euros (including postage to Finland), and inquiries should be made to the secretary of the society.

Statistical Days and 100-year anniversary on 14.-15 May 2020

In 2020, the Finnish Statistical Society will celebrate its 100th birthday by organizing the Society's main biannual event, Statistical Days, for the first time at Aalto university's Otaniemi campus in Espoo on 14-15 May 2020. During the Statistical Days, we will in addition celebrate 100 years of Finnish statistics with a 100-years anniversary dinner on the evening of 14 May in Helsinki. Appropriately for the occasion, we have the pleasure of announcing that professor and chair of the Royal Statistics Society *Deborah Ashby* from the Imperial College will deliver a keynote talk during the Statistical Days. Other invited speakers and more information will be made available during Winter and Spring 2020.

The celebrations include the publication of a Finnish-English statistics terminology dictionary, and articles about the history of the society and statistics. As is customary, we will also recognize worthy doctoral and master's theses by awarding prizes during the Statistical Days.

New and old discounts from academic publishers

As a member of the Finnish Statistical Society, you are entitled to a discount when ordering books from selected academic publishers. Discount codes (online use only) are available for members of the society for the following publishers [Cambridge University Press](#) (20% discount), [Oxford University Press](#) (30% discount), [CRC Press](#) (25% discount and



free postage), and [Wiley](#) (35% discount). The codes can be obtained from the Society's secretary.

Risto Lehtonen receives the Gunnar Modeen medal

The Gunnar Modeen -medal was awarded during the Nordic Statistical Meeting 2019 on 27 August 2019 to professor Risto Lehtonen, who is the professor of social statistics at the University of Helsinki. Risto Lehtonen has numerous academic merits: he is one of the big names of survey methodologist, and has written numerous articles and books on the topic. In addition to his academic achievements, professor Lehtonen has worked as a researcher and the head of research at The Social Insurance Institution (KELA), and as the scientific director at Tilastokeskus and as scientific director of the Living Conditions statistical unit. Additionally, he has written multiple reports to governmental organizations such as the European Commission. In conclusion, professor Lehtonen has established wide-reaching international collaboration networks and excelled in facilitating communication between academic research and official statistics — making him a most excellent recipient for the Gunnar Modeen medal

The Finnish Statistical Society would like to congratulate professor Lehtonen on receiving this important acknowledgement of a lifetime contribution to statistics!

Leo Törnqvist prize for the best master's thesis awarded

The Finnish Statistical Society's board has decided, in accordance to the award committee's proposal, to award the Leo Törnqvist prize for an outstanding master's thesis in the field of statistics to **Savi Virolainen** for his thesis "*GMAR- ja StMAR-mallin yleistäminen G-StMAR-malliksi*" accepted at the University of Helsinki. The award ceremony will take place during the afternoon seminar on 27 September.

Write about the history of statistics to celebrate the anniversary

The Finnish Statistical Society invites formal and informal articles on the history of statistics to be published in the Society's 2019-2020 Yearbook in late 2020. Celebrating the Finnish Statistical Society's 100th year, the yearbook of 2019-2020 accepts submissions on any topic related to the history of statistics and will provide a venue for publication of both peer



reviewed and informal articles in Finnish, Swedish or English. For further information on publishing in Yearbook 2019-2020, queries may be sent to the secretary.

Remember the StatNet mailing list

StatNet is a collaborative mailing list for Finnish universities, research institutes, and professional and research societies. The list is a forum for sharing information and employment opportunities in statistics and can be joined by anyone interested in the aforementioned topics. For more information about StatNet, please visit <http://www.helsinki.fi/statnet/>.

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With best wishes,

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