

VENUE OF THE COLLOQUIUM

The two-day program will consist of nine plenary sessions, which will take place in a ship cruising on the famous Rhine river, and a poster session to be held in a hotel in Koblenz during a wine reception immediately before the conference dinner on June 22. The cruise will start in Mainz on June 22 and end in Cologne on June 23. The plenary sessions each consist of a 50 minute lecture followed by a 20 minute floor discussion. There is no parallel session in the entire workshop, which will offer participants an opportunity to attend all sessions.

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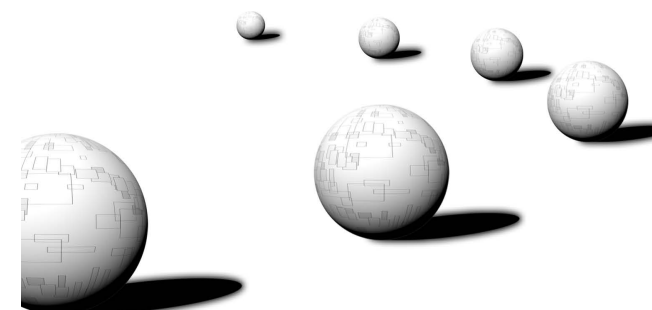


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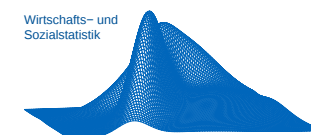
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RRC09 Recent Advances in Small Area Estimation
Colloquium on small area statistics in Germany
at the Upper Middle Rhine World Heritage
22nd and 23rd June 2009



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PROGRAMME OF THE RRC09 MONDAY, 22ND JUNE

- **9.00 h** Boarding in Mainz
- **9.15 h** Departure and welcome ceremony
- Session 1, chair: Daniela Cocchi
10.30 - 11.40 h *Danny Pfeffermann*
 Hebrew University of Jerusalem and University of Southampton
 New bootstrap bias corrections with applications to estimation of prediction MSE in small area estimation
- **11.50 - 13.00 h** *Robert Fay*
 Westat, Rockville Maryland
 The Fay-Herriot model and small area statistics for Censuses
- **13.00 - 14.00 h** Lunch break
- **14.00 - 15.00 h** Loreley
- Session 2, chair: Lawrence Cox
15.00 - 16.10 *Carl Morris*
 Harvard University
 Spatial modeling in small area statistics, using adjustment for density maximization (ADM)
- **16.20 - 17.30** *Malay Ghosh*
 University of Florida
 Recent Bayesian Developments in Small Area Estimation
- **17.30 h** Arrival in Koblenz
- **18.15 - 19.30 h** Poster session in the hotel in Koblenz
- **19.30 - 21.30 h** Conference Dinner

PROGRAMME OF THE RRC09 TUESDAY, 23RD JUNE

- **9.00 h** Boarding in Koblenz
- Session 3, chair: Stefano Falorsi
9.30 - 10.40 h *Ray Chambers*
 University of Wollongong
 Robust small area estimation methods
- **10.50 - 12.00 h** *Jiming Jiang*
 University of California
 Fence methods for prediction problems with application to small area estimation
- **12.00 - 14.00 h** Lunch break and stop in Linz
- Session 4, chair: Siegfried Gabler
14.00 - 15.10 h *Risto Lehtonen*
 University of Helsinki
 Model-assisted small area estimation and poverty measurement
- **15.20 - 16.30 h** *Partha Lahiri*
 Joint Program in Survey Methodology at the University of Maryland
 On different measures of uncertainty of empirical best predictors
- Session 5, chair: Partha Lahiri
16.40 - 17.50 h *J.N.K. Rao*
 Carleton University
 Methodological developments and some recent applications of Small Area Estimation
- **17.50 - 18.15 h** Concluding Remarks
- **18.15 h** Arrival in Cologne and end of Conference
- **19.30 - 21.30 h** Informal get-together in the old town of Cologne

