

INTERSPEECH 2019 General Assembly  
16 Sept. 2019  
Graz, Austria

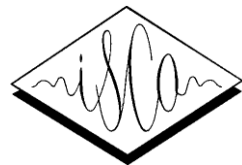


John H.L. Hansen  
ISCA President



# Agenda

1. Opening remarks and approval of the Minutes of 2018 General Assembly (Hyderabad)
2. President's report – John H.L. Hansen
3. Treasurer's report – Mark Hasegawa-Johnson
4. Announcement of the next ISCA General Assembly – Shanghai, China, Sept., 2019
5. Comments, Suggestions and Questions from ISCA Members



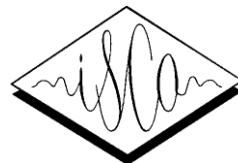
# Minutes of the 2018 ISCA General Assembly

Minutes of the 2018 ISCA General Assembly held on 4 Sept. 2018,  
Hyderabad International Convention Center, Hyderabad, India

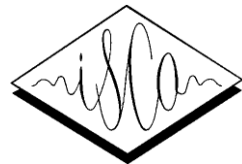
1. Opening remarks
2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2016 General Assembly (San Francisco)  
and the Minutes of the 2017 General Assembly (Stockholm)
  - unanimous approval by the members present
3. President's report – John Hansen
  - unanimous approval by the members present
4. Treasurer's report – Mark Hasegawa-Johnson
  - unanimous approval by the members present
5. Invitation to the next ISCA General Assembly – Graz, Austria, Sept. 2019
6. Comments, Suggestions and Questions from ISCA Members



Need to VOTE on  
these



# President's Report



# ISCA Board 2018-2019



**John Hansen**  
President



**Torbjørn Svendsen**  
Vice President



**Kate Knill**  
Secretary



**Mark Hasegawa-Johnson**  
Treasurer

Re-Elected (Awards)



**Gerard Bailly**  
SIGs (Topic)  
Workshops



**Kay Berkling**  
Communication



**Sebastian Möller**  
Conference



**Tatsuya Kawahara**  
Publication,  
Archive



**Phil Green**  
Fellows,  
Education, Training



**Hema Murthy**  
Non-Tech/Geo.  
committees



**Lori Lamel**  
Student,  
Tech. Comm.



**Odette Scharenborg**  
Tech. Comm.  
Conference



**Satoshi Nakamura**  
Completing  
Service



**Bhuvana Ramabhadran**  
Industry,  
Named Awards



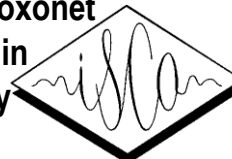
**Haizhou Li**  
(Past President)  
Ex-officio



**Chris Wellekens**  
(ISCApad)  
Ex-officio



**Emmanuelle Foxonet**  
ISCA Admin  
Secretary





# ISCA Board 2019-2020



John Hansen  
President



Torbjørn Svendsen  
Vice President  
(Grants/Awards)



Kate Knill  
Secretary



Mark Hasegawa-Johnson  
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Margaret  
'Meg' Zellers



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Jianhua Tao



Odette  
Scharenborg  
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Nobuaki  
Minematsu



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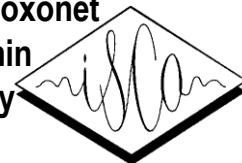


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Secretary

**New Elected  
Members**



# ISCA Advisory Council (19)

◆ **Chair: John Hansen**

◆ **Life Members:** Hiroya Fujisaki, Joseph Mariani

◆ **Members:**

Jerome Bellegarda [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Sadaoki Furui [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Mary Harper [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Julia Hirschberg [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Lin-shan Lee [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Helen Meng [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Bernd Möbius [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Elmar Nöth [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Isabel Trancoso [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

Steve Young [1/1/2017 - 31/12/2020]

(Retired members Dec. 31, 2018)

Abeer Alwan [1/1/2015 - 31/12/2018]

Michiel Bacchiani [1/1/2015 - 31/12/2018]

Björn Granström [1/1/2011 - 31/12/2018]

Dilek Hakkani-Tur [1/1/2015 - 31/12/2018]

Shrikanth Narayanan [1/1/2015 - 31/12/2018]

Elizabeth Shriberg [1/1/2015 - 31/12/2018]

Richard Stern [1/1/2011 - 31/12/2018]

Chiu-yu Tseng [1/1/2011 - 31/12/2018]

Francisco Lacerda (Interspeech 2017 Chairman) [1/1/2018-31/12/2019]

Bayya Yegnanarayana (Interspeech 2018 Chairman) [1/1/2019-31/12/2020]

Jean-Francois Bonastre (ISCA Past President) [1/1/2014-31/12/2018]

Tanja Schultz (Past President) [1/1/2016-31/12/2020]

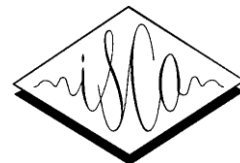
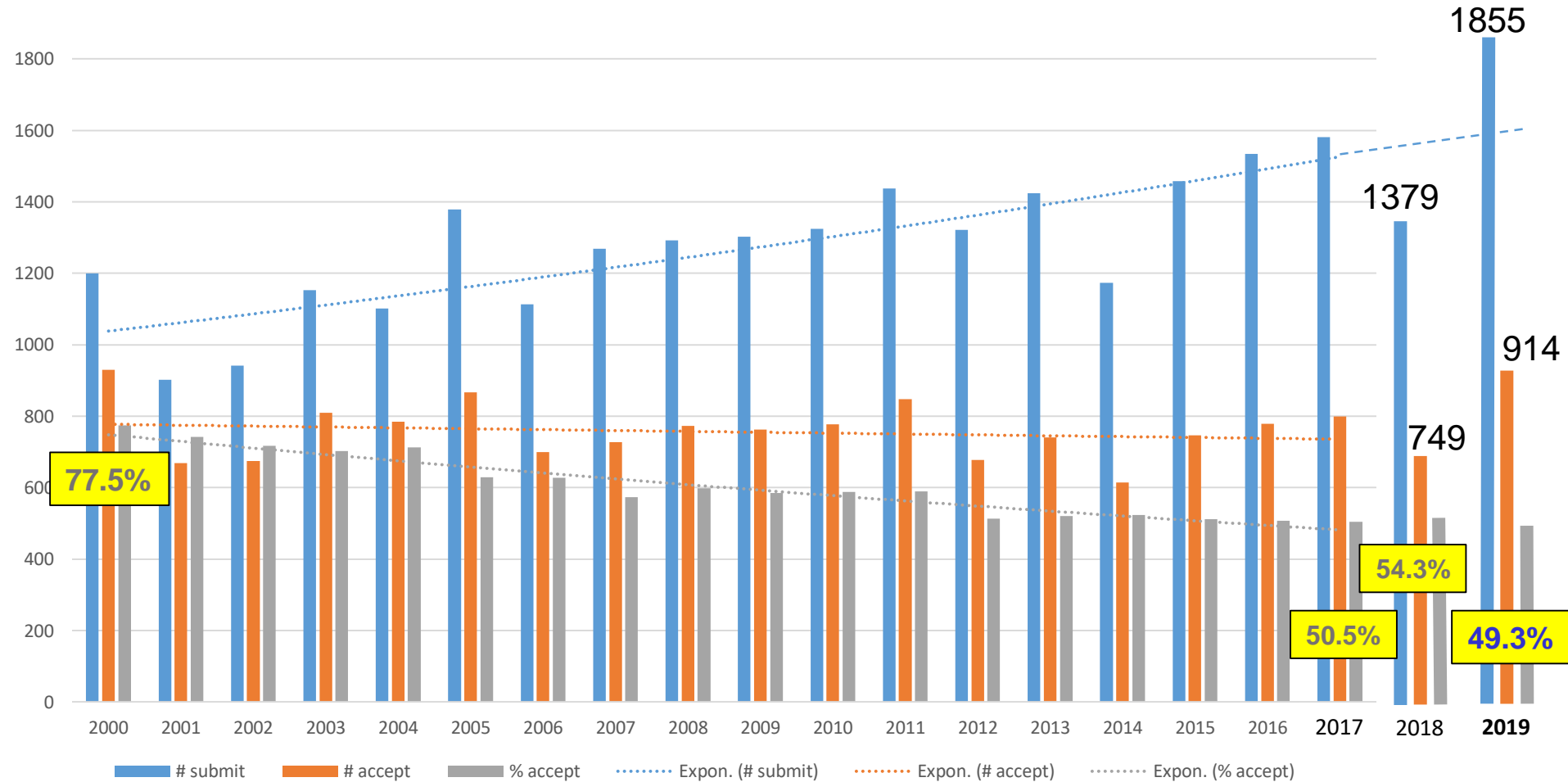
Haizhou Li (Past President, Interspeech 2014 Chairman) [1/1/2015-31/12/2022]

EiC, Speech Communication, non-voting member (Frederic Bimbot) [1/1/2019-31/12/2021]

Editor, Computer Speech and Language, non-voting member (Roger K. Moore) [09/08/2016-31/12/2018]

◆ **We are seeking nominations to recruit new IAC members in Fall 2019**

# INTER\_SPEECH Paper Statistics since 2000





# INTERSPEECH Paper Topic Areas: '19 vs. '18, '17, '16

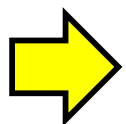
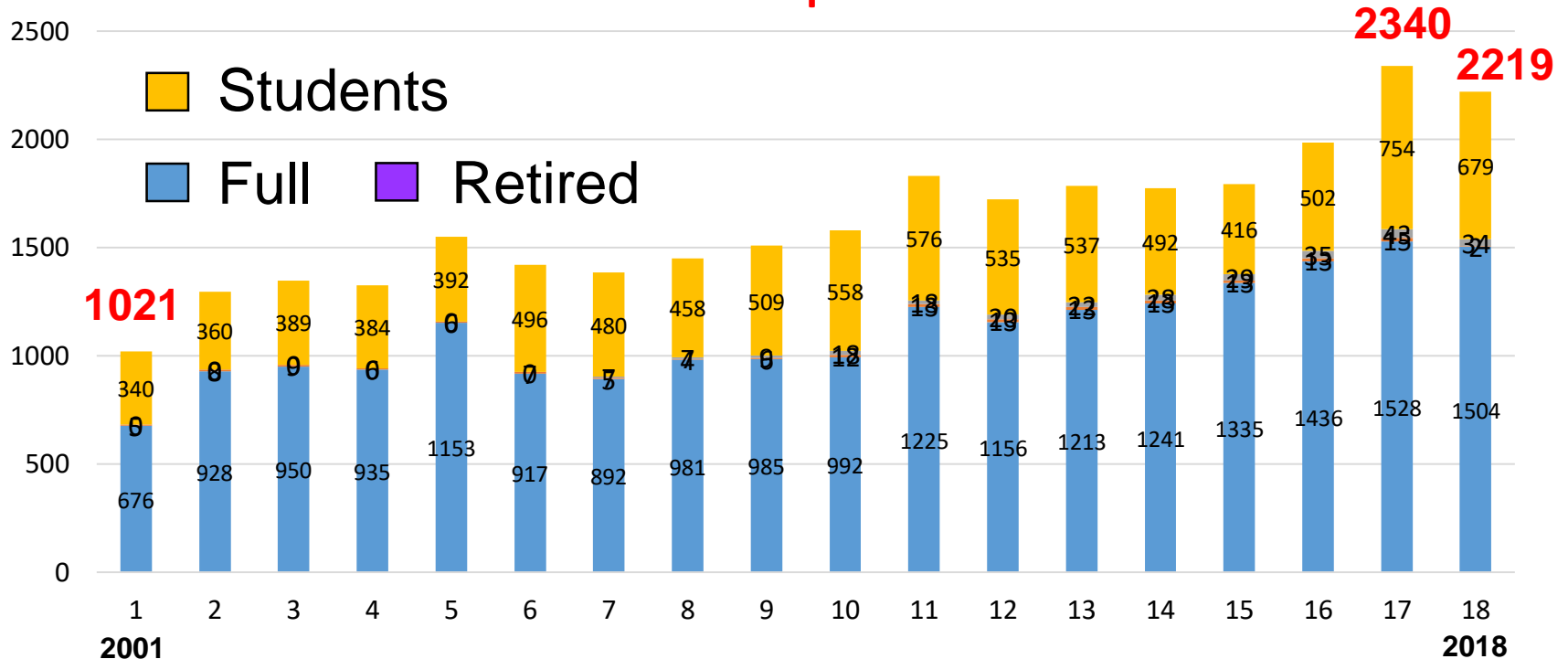
	'19	'18	'17	'16
1. Speech Perception, Production and Acquisition	161	126	212	144
2. Phonetics, Phonology, and Prosody	103	77	164	97
3. Analysis of Paralinguistics in Speech and Language	140	115	159	123
4. Speaker and Language Identification	173	131	172	145
5. Analysis of Speech and Audio Signals	212	172	140	152
6. Speech Coding and Enhancement	122	84	81	86
7. Speech Synthesis and Spoken Language Generation	173	98	130	147
8. Speech Recognition Signal Processing, Acoustic Modeling, Robustness, and Adaptation	252	175	171	206
9. Speech Recognition - Architecture, Search, and Linguistic Components	71	50	57	75
10. Speech Recognition - Technologies and Systems for New Applications	80	65	57	102
11. Spoken dialog systems and conversational analysis	110	50	106	84
12. Spoken Language Processing: Translation, Information Retrieval, Summarization, Resources and Evaluation	97	54	119	56
Special Sessions:	161	182		
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1855</b>	<b>1379</b>	<b>1568</b>	<b>1417</b>



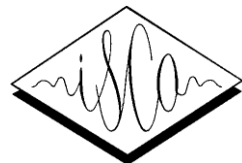
# ISCA Membership since 2001

## ISCA Membership from 2001 to 2018 (Full & Student)

### ISCA MEMBERSHIP per YEAR

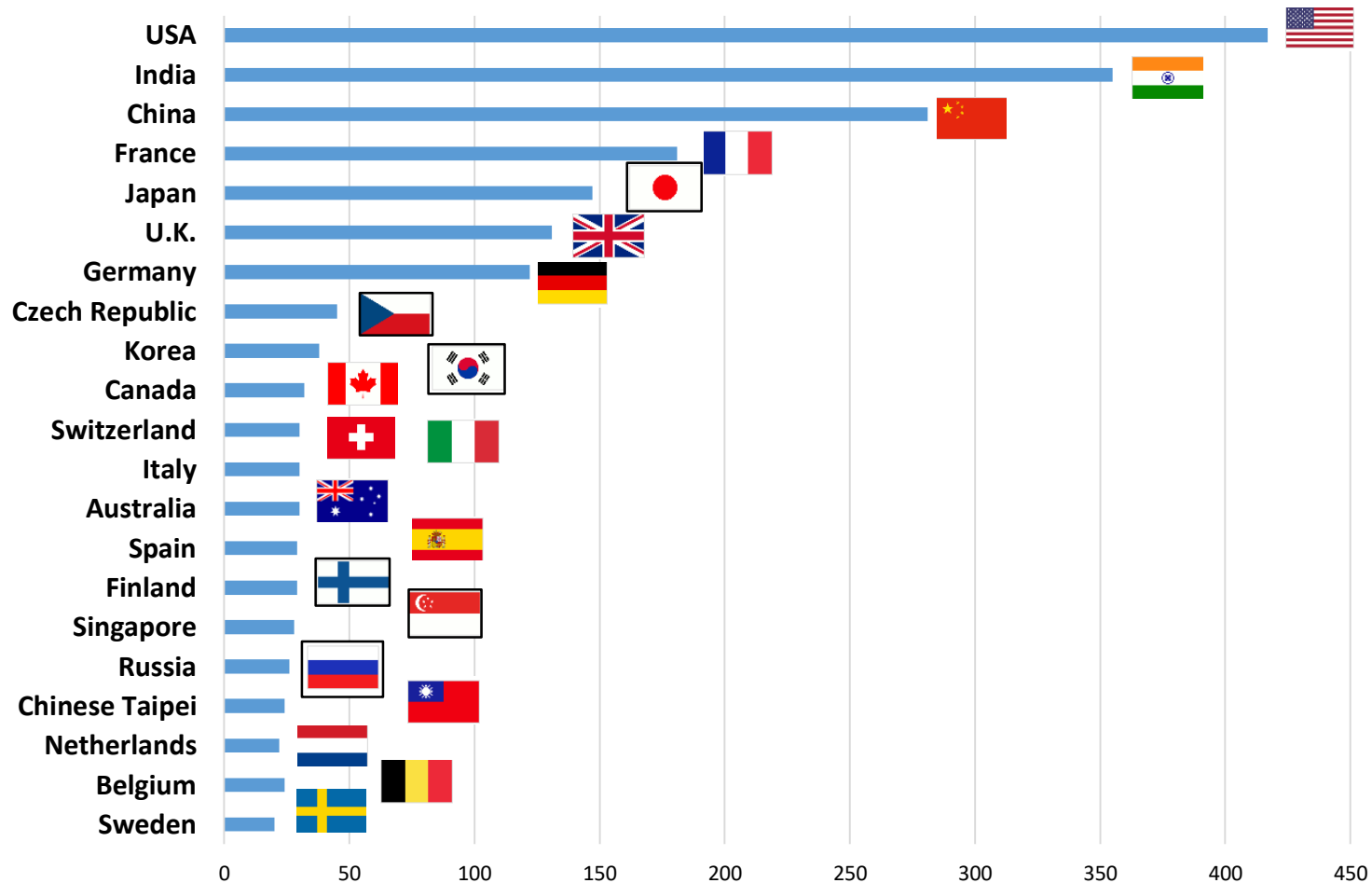


◆ +2200 members last two years  
◆ +675 Student Members last two years

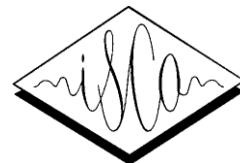


# ISCA Membership by Country (2018)

2018 : countries with +20 members



39 Countries with  
1 to 19 members

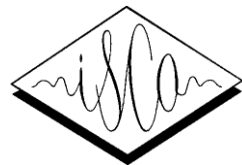


# DIVERSITY: Recognizing & Encouraging

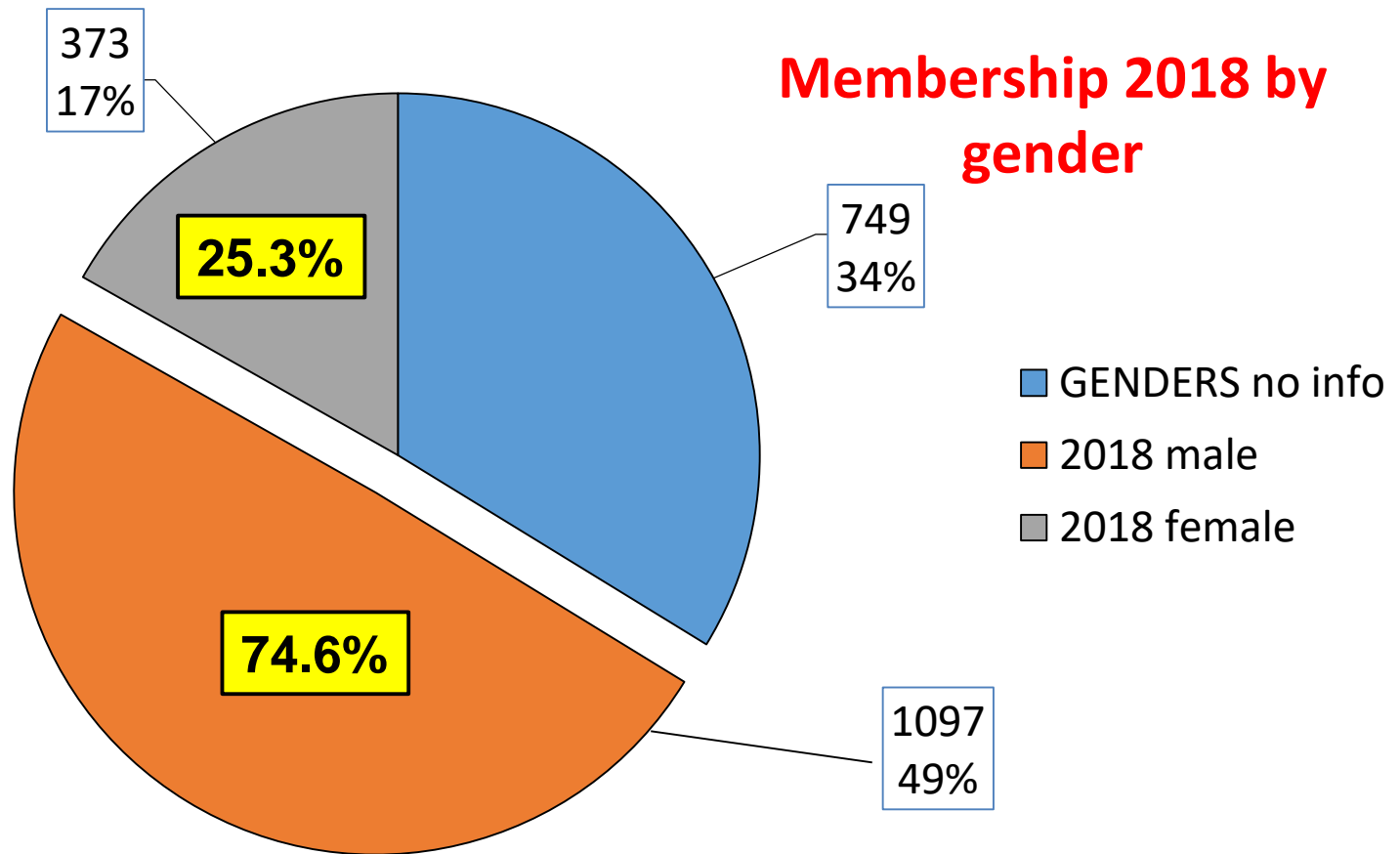
**ISCA Recognizes our goal and commitment to supporting diversity in all forms for our membership, community, and member awards/recognition.**

## Diversity Areas

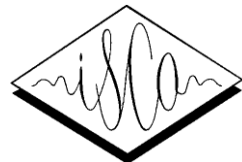
- ◆ **Gender Diversity: (membership, leadership roles, etc.)**
- ◆ **Regional Diversity: Europe, Asia/Australia, North America, (South America, Africa)**
- ◆ **Science vs. Technology**
- ◆ **Academic vs. Industry vs. Government/Other**



# ISCA Membership by Gender (2018)



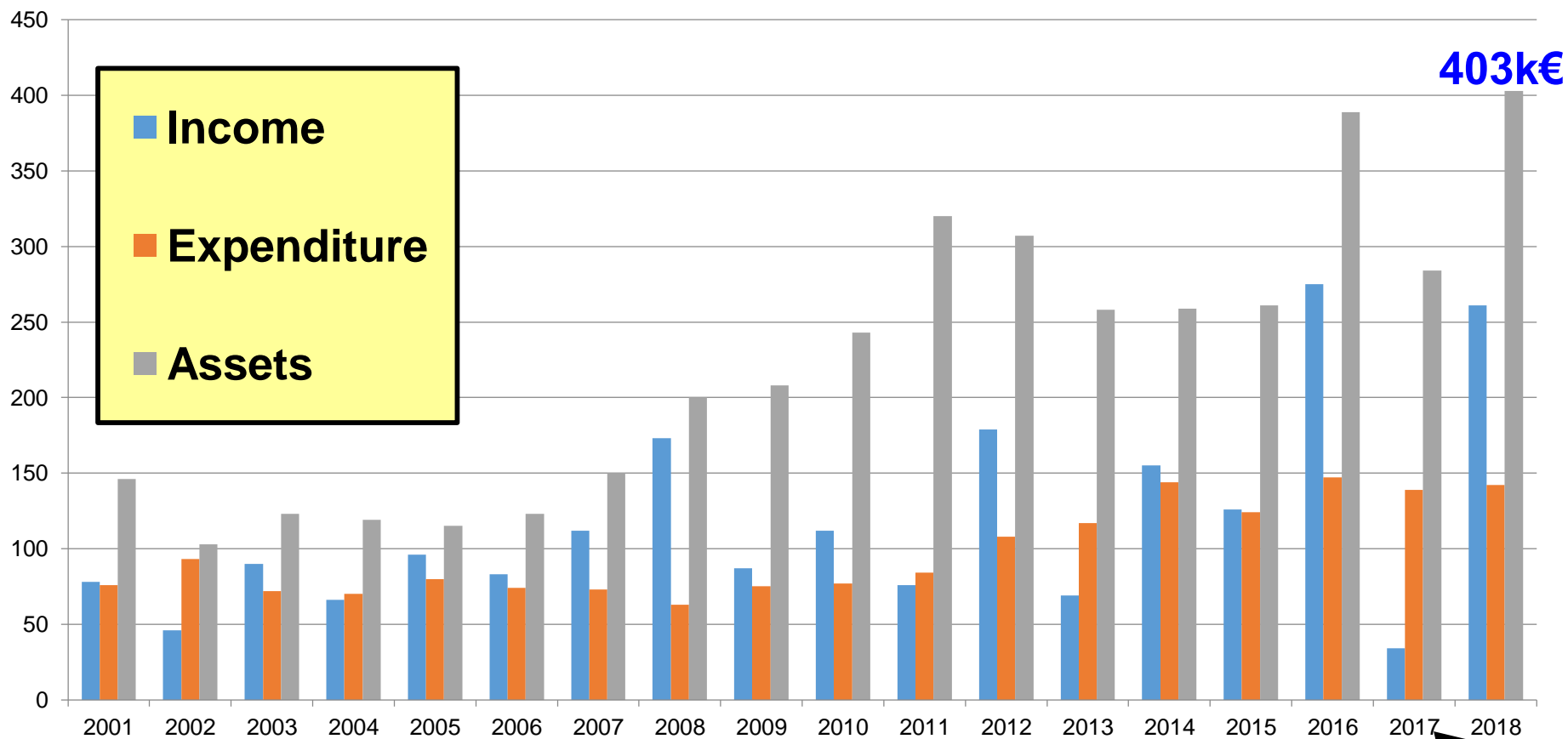
- ◆ 25.3% Female Members (who identify)
- ◆ 74.6% Male Members (who identify)



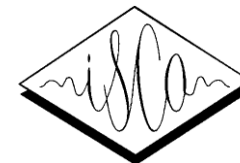


# ISCA Finances since 2001 (k€)

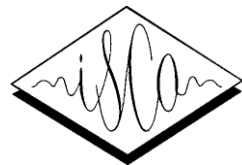
## ISCA Finances since 2001 (in k€)



**Includes IRF: 120k€**



# Awards & Recognition



# ISCA Fellows 2019



**Hema Murthy**  
ISCA Board  
Coordinator



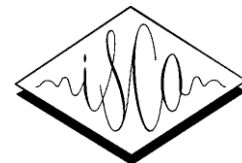
**Phil Green**  
ISCA Board  
Coordinator



**Isabel Trancoso**  
Fellows Selection  
Committee Chair



- ◆ **Seek nominations from ISCA Community**
- ◆ **Include 4 external Fellow Reference Letter writers**
- ◆ **Separate ISCA Fellows Committee Reviews & Votes**



# ISCA Fellows 2019



**Martine  
Adda-Decker**



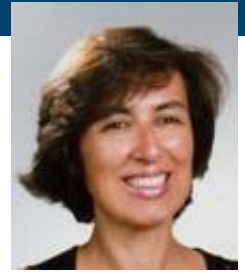
**Douglas  
O'Shaugnessy**



**Hema Murthy  
ISCA Board  
Coordinator**



**Phil Green  
ISCA Board  
Coordinator**



**Isabel Trancoso  
Fellows Selection  
Committee Chair**



**Mark Gales**



**Jennifer Cole**



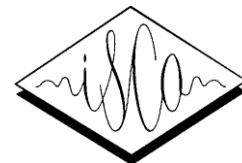
**Yannis Stylianou**



**Valerie Hazan**



**Christian  
Wellekens**





# ISCA FELLOWS (Historical Summary)

75 ISCA Fellows (as of Sept'19)



**2008**

**Rolf  
Carlson**



**Fred  
Jelinek**



**Paul  
Dalsgaard**



**Roger  
Moore**



**Hiroya  
Fujisaki**



**Mari  
Ostendorf**



**Sadaoki  
Furui**



**Louis  
Pols**



**Bjorn  
Granstrom**



**Steve  
Young**



**Julia  
Hirschberg**



**Victor  
Zue**



**2009**

**Anne  
Cutler**



**Wolfgang  
Hess**



**Joseph  
Mariani**



**Hermann  
Ney**



**Roberto  
Pieraccini**



**Elizabeth  
Shriberg**



**2010**

**Alex  
Acero**



**Janet  
Baker**



**John  
Hansen**



**Lin-shan  
Lee**



**Nelson  
Morgan**



**Philip  
Woodland**



**2011**

**Abeer  
Alwan**



**Li  
Deng**



**Hynek  
Hermansky**



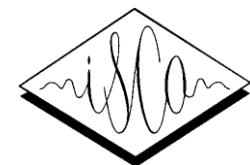
**Adrian  
Fourcin**



**Bruce  
Millar**



**Richard  
Stern**





# ISCA FELLOWS (Historical Summary)



**2012**

**John  
Ohala**



**Chin-Hui  
Lee**



**Yoshinori  
Sagisaka**



**Stephanie  
Seneff**



**2013**

**Jérôme  
BELLEGARDA**



**Daniel  
HIRST**



**John  
MAKHOUL**



**Hervé  
BOURLARD**



**Andreas  
STOLCKE**



**Keiichi  
TOKUDA**



**2014**

**James  
GLASS**



**Isabel  
TRANCOSO HAKKANI-TÜR**



**Dilek  
VAISSIÈRE**



**Jacqueline  
VAISSIÈRE**



**Michael  
PICHENY**



**Bayya  
YEGNANARAYANA**



**2015**

**Pascale  
FUNG**



**Reinhold  
HAEB-UMBACH**



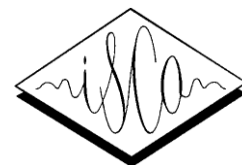
**Lori  
LAMEL**



**David  
NAHAMOO**



**Marc  
SWERTS**



# ISCA FELLOWS (Historical Summary)



75 ISCA Fellows

**2016**

**Mary  
HARPER**



**Helen  
MENG**



**Shrikanth  
NARAYANAN**



**Steve  
RENALS**



**Tanja  
SCHULTZ**



**Chiu-Yu  
TSENG**



**2017**

**Alan  
BLACK**



**Jean-Luc  
GAUVAIN**



**Bhuvana  
RAMABHADRAN**



**Giuseppe  
RICCARDI**



**Michael  
RILEY**



**2018**

**Denis  
BURNHAM**



**Simon  
KING**



**Carol  
ESPY-WILSON**



**Haizhou  
LI**



**Keikichi  
HIROSE**



**Richard  
SCHWARTZ**



**2019**

**Martine  
ADDA-DECKER**



**Jennifer  
COLE**



**Mark  
GALES**



**Valerie  
HAZAN**



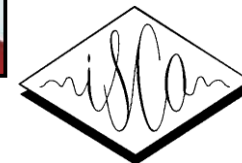
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O'SHAUGNESSY**



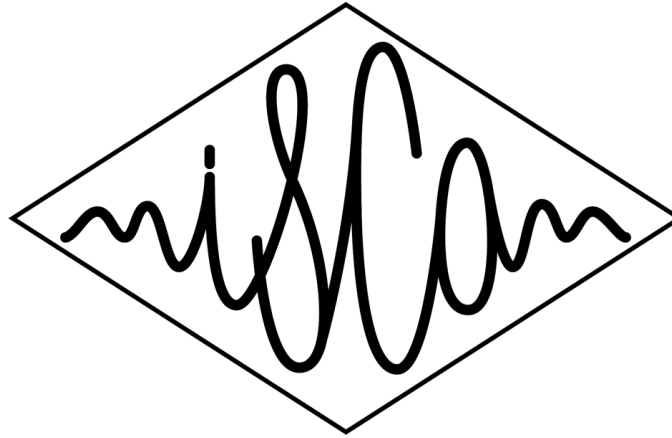
**Yannis  
STYLIANOU**



**Christian  
WELLEKENS**

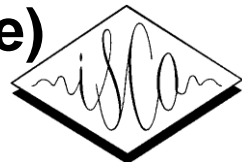


# ISCA Medal for Scientific Achievement 2019



The ISCA Medal for Scientific Achievement recognizes and honors an individual each year who has made extraordinary contributions to the field of speech communication science and technology.

- ◆ **Seek nominations from ISCA Community (Jan. 1st)**
- ◆ **Full nominations are reviewed by the ISCA Board, with blind voting process (criteria listed on ISCA website)**

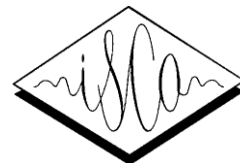


# ISCA Medal 2019 for Scientific Achievement



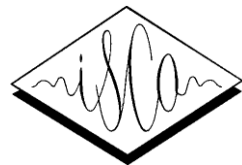
## Prof. Keiichi TOKUDA

**For pioneering statistical parametric approaches in  
speech synthesis, and for leadership in the provision of  
enabling software tools**



# Awards

- ◆ INTERSPEECH Best Student Paper Awards
- ◆ Tenth Christian Benoît Award (AFCP, ISCA)  
[Graz, Austria] {awarded every 2 years}
- ◆ Best Papers - Computer Speech and Language
- ◆ Best Papers - Speech Communication





# Grants



Torbjørn Svendsen

◆ Grants for students and young scientists to participate in ISCA events

◆ ISCA sponsored workshops

◆ 16 applications

◆ 5 grants awarded for 3 events

*IWSDS 2019: International Workshop on Spoken Dialog System Technology 2019*

◆ INTERSPEECH 2019

◆ 60 grants awarded

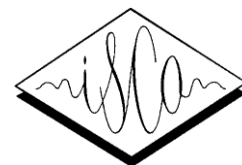
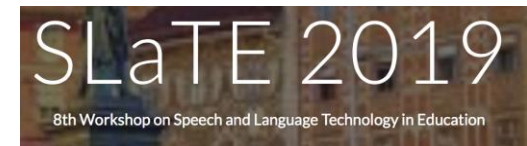
◆ €650 per grant

◆ ~210 applications

◆ Yajie Miao Memorial Student Travel Fund

◆ 3 recipients for INTERSPEECH 2019

◆ Apply for travel grants as early as possible!



# The 10<sup>th</sup> Christian Benoît Award



Gerard Bailly

*Laudator: Gérard Bailly*

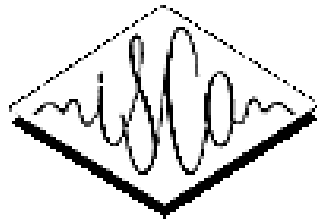
- In honor of Christian Benoît, French CNRS Researcher (1956–98)
  - Auditory-visual speech processing
  - ESCA Secretary since 1993, founder member of ISCA-SIG AVISA
- Financial support (7500 €) to a promising young scientist in



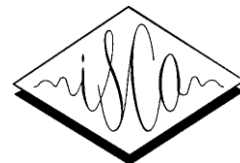
**SPEECH and FACE-TO-FACE COMMUNICATION**

*Basic or applied research projects*

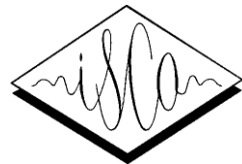
- Sponsored by
- Periodicity: 2 years



<https://www.isca-speech.org/iscaweb/index.php/honors/awards>



# ISCA Programs



# ISCA Diversity Committee

## Committee Members

**Odette Scharenborg,  
Mark Hasegawa-Johnson,  
Julia Hirschberg (external member)**



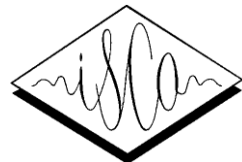
## Aims

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- ◆ **Science vs. Technology**
- ◆ **Academic vs. Industry vs. Government/Other**

# ISCA Diversity Committee

## Current Activities

- Increase diversity within ISCA (**Initial Focus on Gender**)
  - YFRS Workshop series (last Saturday [Sept 14])
  - Actively nominate scientists for awards/honors (e.g., ISCA Fellows)
  - WomenNspeech website: <https://womenspeech.herokuapp.com>
- Increase awareness regarding gender gap
  - Brown-bag lunch meeting (Thurs., Sept 19th; 12:15; Hall#1)
- E-mail list for mid-career and senior women in speech, please contact **Odette/Julia** :  
[o.e.scharenborg@tudelft.nl](mailto:o.e.scharenborg@tudelft.nl)     [julia@cs.columbia.edu](mailto:julia@cs.columbia.edu)
- If you are a post-doc/assistant professor/equivalent in industry: please contact **Meg Zellers**     [mzellers@isfas.uni-kiel.de](mailto:mzellers@isfas.uni-kiel.de)



# WomenNspeech website: > 140 women

<https://womensspeech.herokuapp.com>

If you have your PhD, & wish to join: contact Odette/  
Mark/Julia

Select criteria to refine the list,  
then press this button to

, or press this  
button to

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#### Research Topics:

Human speech processing

Phonetics

Phonology

Prosody

Sociophonetics

Speech production

Language acquisition

Multilingualism

Automatic speech  
recognition

Multimodal processing

Robust speech

recognition

## Women in Speech

This website is hosted by the International Speech Communication Association ([ISCA](#)). If you wish to add or delete an entry from this database, please contact the members of the ISCA diversity committee ([click here to see current members](#)). Please note, you do not need to be a member of ISCA to be added to this list.



**Vered Silber-Varod**

**Senior Researcher**

**The Open University of Israel**

Human speech processing; Phonetics; Prosody; Dialogue and discourse



**Karen Kaushansky**

**Researcher**

**Independent Consultant**

Human-robot interaction; Dialogue and discourse



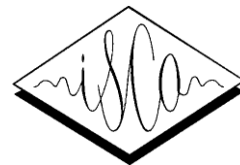


# ISCA Women Statistics: 2008-2018

**Last 10 Years)**

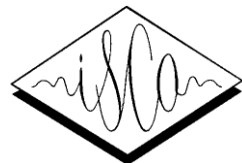
ISCA Membership:      23.6% Female      76.4% Male

◆ Board Members:	27% Female	73% Male
◆ Presidents (over time)	45% Female	55% Male
◆ Interspeech General Chair	0% Female	100% Male
◆ IS Plenary Speakers	33% Female	67% Male
◆ ISCA Fellow	26% Female	74% Male
◆ ISCA Medalists	27% Female	73% Male
◆ ISCA Dist. Lecturers	27% Female	73% Male
◆ Best-Paper/SpchComm	15% Female	85% Male
◆ Best-Paper/CSL	15% Female	85% Male
◆ Best-Paper IS Student	13% Female	87% Male



# “Diversity within ISCA” Brown-bag Lunch meeting, Thursday Sept. 19

- Time: 12:15-13:15 in Hall 1 (Thurs)**
- Encourage all genders to attend!**
- Topics:**
  - ISCA diversity numbers (e.g., only 13% of Student BP awards go to women)**
  - Focus on gender**
  - Review scientific research on causes of gender gap in science & technology**
  - Hints & tips for everyone on reducing the gap**
  - Next steps / Discussion time**



# ISCA Web & Communications



Kay Berkling  
Communication



Kate Knill  
Secretary



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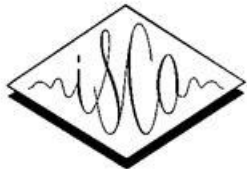
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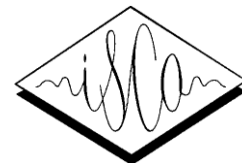
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## Online Archive

ISCApad Archive

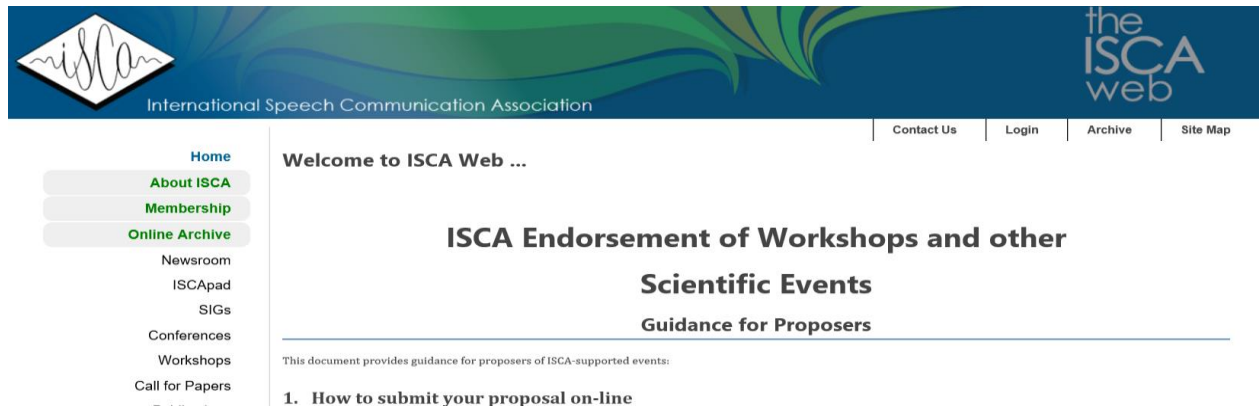


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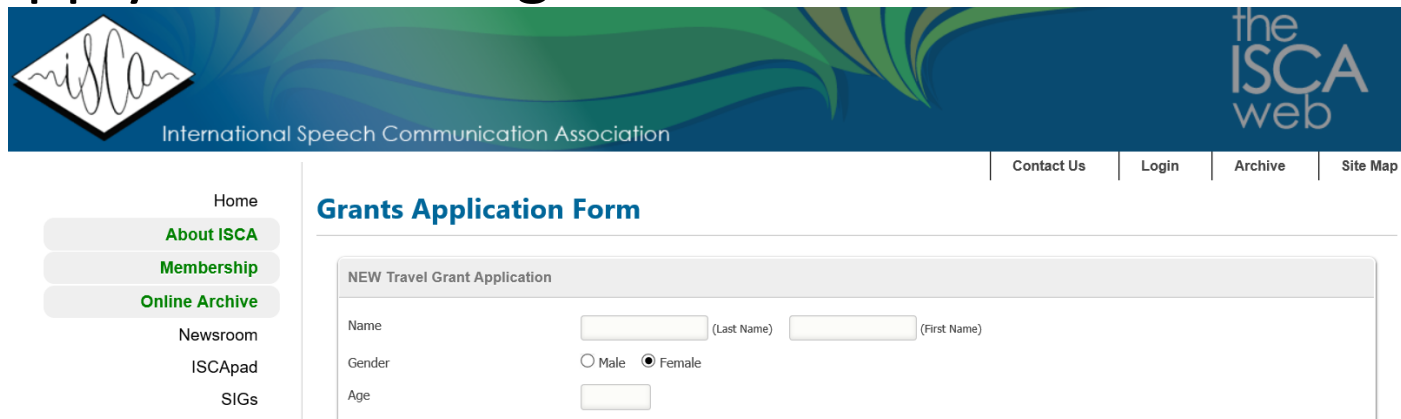
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- ◆ Submit a workshop proposal (online guidelines & submission portal)

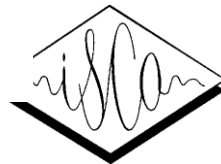


The screenshot shows the ISCA website home page. The header features the ISCA logo and the text "International Speech Communication Association" and "the ISCA web". A navigation menu includes "Home", "About ISCA", "Membership", "Online Archive", "Newsroom", "ISCApad", "SIGs", "Conferences", "Workshops", and "Call for Papers". The main content area displays "Welcome to ISCA Web ..." and "ISCA Endorsement of Workshops and other Scientific Events Guidance for Proposers". A list of items includes "1. How to submit your proposal on-line".

- ◆ To apply for a travel grant



The screenshot shows the ISCA website Grants Application Form. The header features the ISCA logo and the text "International Speech Communication Association" and "the ISCA web". A navigation menu includes "Home", "About ISCA", "Membership", "Online Archive", "Newsroom", "ISCApad", and "SIGs". The main content area displays "Grants Application Form" and "NEW Travel Grant Application". The form includes fields for "Name" (Last Name and First Name), "Gender" (Male and Female), and "Age".



# ISCA Supported Educational Events

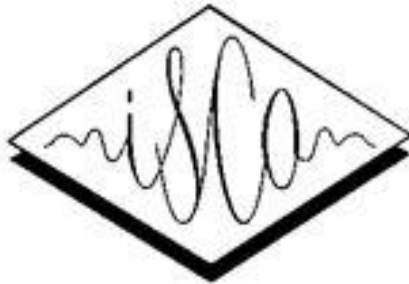


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Fellows,  
Education, Training



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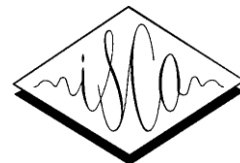
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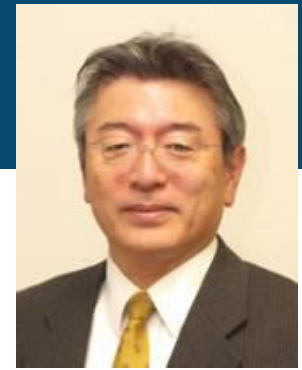
◆ ISCA Student Collaboration Grants (update)

◆ ISCA Remote Access for Interspeech (still interest)



# ISCA SIGs(Language)

## ISCA Geographical Outreach



Satoshi Nakamura

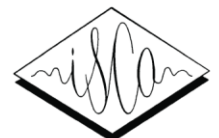
### ■ 7 language Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

- French
- Chinese
- Italian
- Indian languages
- Iberian languages
- Russian
- Under-resourced Languages



### ■ Geographical Outreach

- Sub-committee on Eastern Europe
- Sub-committee on West Asia and North Africa
- Sub-committee on South Asia
- Sub-committee on Sub-Saharan Africa





# ISCA Distinguished Lecturer Program



Satoshi Nakamura

## Distinguished Lecturers for 2019-2020

- ◆ 1) Professor [Laurent Besacier](#), University Grenoble Alpes, France
- ◆ 2) Professor [Mark Gales](#), Spoken Language Processing, Cambridge University, UK

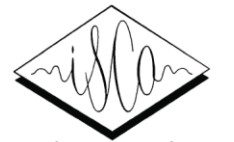
## Distinguished Lecturers for 2018-2019

- ◆ Dr. Daniel Hirst, Directeur de Recherche Emeritus, CNRS & Aix-Marseille University, France
- ◆ Prof. Takayuki Arai, Professor, Sophia University, Japan

## Invitations requested !

Regarding costs for inviting Distinguished Lecturers,

- ◆ Flight will be covered by ISCA
- ◆ Local travel & accommodation costs only need to be covered by local host
- ◆ For details please go to ISCA Distinguished Lecturer Website.



# ISCA SIGs & Workshops



Gerard Bailly



Satoshi Nakamura  
(Language  
Related SIGs)

## ◆ ISCA SIGs

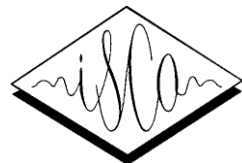
- ◆ 13 topics SIGs + 6 language SIGs
- ◆ New SIG: Security & Privacy in Speech Communication (SPSC)
- ◆ Joint SIGs: SIGUL with ELRA and SIGDIAL & SPSC with ACL

## ◆ ISCA workshop committee

- ◆ ISCA officers in charge of topic SIGs, treasure & publications
- ◆ Chairs of satellite Workshops of current and two last IS conferences
- ◆ 4 types: ITRW, sponsored event, supported event & challenge... and training schools
- ◆ **IMPORTANT: ISCA endorsement is a prerequisite for student travel grants**

## ◆ 20 ISCA-endorsed events in 2019

- ◆ Stable number: AVSP, AISV, IWSDS, JPC, CSC, TSD, DiGo, DISS, HSCR, SMMW, SIGDIAL, PLCL, SSW, SLaTE, LT4All
- ◆ Gathering **1945** attendees
- ◆ 11 IS satellites, 2 challenges (AVSpooF, VoxCeleb)
- ◆ ITRW & sponsored workshops: 7 travel grants for invited speakers (5400€)



# Publications & Archive



Tatsuya  
Kawahara

- ◆ INTERSPEECH 2019 is now available on the ISCA archive.
- ◆ DOI assigned to all papers.
- ◆ Publications FAQ:

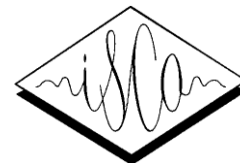
“Can I place a copy of my paper in my institutional or other repositories?”

Answer: Yes, you can, on the condition that it is correctly referenced with the proceeding information (e.g. INTERSPEECH) including DOI.



## ◆ ISCA ETHICS COMMITTEE (members):

- ◆ Tatsuya Kawahara
- ◆ Kate Knill
- ◆ Hema Murthy
- ◆ John Hansen



# Code of Ethics for Authors



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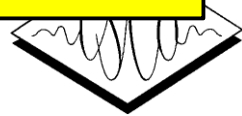
ISCA is committed to publishing high-quality journals and conference proceedings.

- ◆ NO fabrication, falsification or data breach
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- ◆ Respect copyrights
- ◆ Respect human rights
- ◆ All co-authors must be responsible & accountable

Violation may result in sanctions including rejection of all papers and suspension of future submissions (e.g. “ISCA ‘watch-list’”).

➔ **Note:** several cases investigated & sanctioned in recent years

Please refer to ISCA Website & ISCApad Aug'19 edition for full text



# Code-of-Conduct for Conference and Workshop Attendees



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ISCA is committed to providing a pleasant conference experience **without harassment or discrimination** for anyone, **regardless of gender, sexual orientation, race, religion, disability and physical appearance.**

- ◆ Conference participants who engage in inappropriate behavior may be expelled without a refund, and included on an 'ISCA watch-list'.
- ◆ If you see/find troubles, please speak to conference staff or send a message to [ethics@isca-speech.org](mailto:ethics@isca-speech.org).

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# ISCA Student Advisory Committee (ISCA SAC)



**Berrak Sisman**  
**General Coordinator**  
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**Lori Lamel**  
**ISCA Board Member**



**Iona Gessinger**  
**Event Coordinator**  
Saarland University,  
Germany



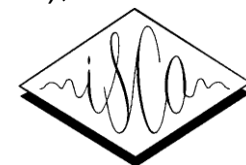
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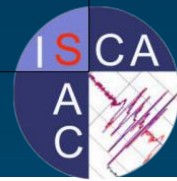
## **SAC Volunteers:**

Yaru Wu (France), Gabriel Mittag (Germany), Grandee Lee (Singapore), Harish-Chandra Dubey (USA), Chitralekha Gupta (Singapore), Jasper Ooster (Germany), Midia Yousefi (USA)





# ISCA SAC – Student Events



## ❑ **Doctoral Consortium (DC)**

**Date:** September 14, 2019; 9 am - 5 pm [Saturday]

**Location:** Graz University of Technology, Inffeldgasse  
25d, 8010 Graz, Austria

## ❑ **Mentoring at Interspeech 2019**

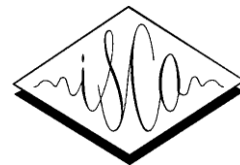
**Date:** September 17, 2019; 4 pm - 6 pm [Tuesday]

**Location:** Lunch & Special Events on lower level,  
Conference Venue

## ❑ **Students Meet Experts (SME)**

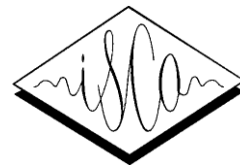
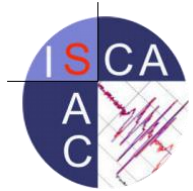
**Date:** September 18, 2019; 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm [Wednesday]

**Location:** Hall 3, Conference Venue



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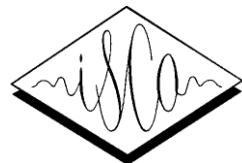
- ✓ **Kate Knill (University of Cambridge, UK)**
- ✓ **Anouschka Foltz (University of Graz, Austria)**
- ✓ **João Freitas (DefinedCrowd, US)**
- ✓ **Ngoc Thang Vu (University of Stuttgart, Germany)**
- ✓ **Hema Murthy (Indian Institute of Technology Madras, India)**
- ✓ **Simon King (University of Edinburgh, Scotland)**
- ✓ **Sebastian Möller (Technical University of Berlin, Germany)**
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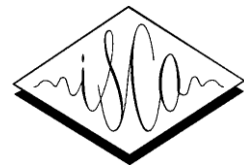
- ✓ **John Hansen (University of Texas at Dallas, United States)**
- ✓ **Haizhou Li (National University of Singapore, Singapore)**
- ✓ **Alan Black (Carnegie Mellon University, United States)**
- ✓ **Jerome Bellagarde (Apple, United States)**
- ✓ **Isabel Trancoso (Instituto Superior Técnico, Portugal)**
- ✓ **Odette Scharenborg (TU Delft, Netherlands)**
- ✓ **Peter Bell (University of Edinburgh, Scotland)**
- ✓ **Chiori Hori (MERL, USA)**



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- ✓ **Björn Hoffmeister (Amazon, US)**
- ✓ **Tanja Schulz (University of Bremen, Germany)**
- ✓ **Petra Wagner (University of Bielefeld, Germany)**
- ✓ **Juraj Simko (University of Helsinki, Finland)**
- ✓ **Sakti Sakriani (NAIST & RIKEN AIP, Japan)**
- ✓ **Junichi Yamagishi (NII, Japan)**
- ✓ **Yannis Stylianou (Apple & University of Crete, Greece)**
- ✓ **Petr Motlicek (IDIAP, Switzerland)**
- ✓ **Tomi Kinnunen (University of Eastern Finland)**





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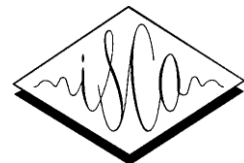


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**Lori Lamel**

# INTERSPEECH Conferences & Technical Committee



# ISCA Technical Committee



Lori Lamel



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- ◆ **ISCA Technical committee** [tc@isca-speech.org](mailto:tc@isca-speech.org)
- ◆ **ROLE:** TC provides technical continuity across Interspeech conferences, interfacing with Softconf (START system), conf. topics, maintains reviewer database
- ◆ **ISCA Board Member** – TC Chair: Lori Lamel
- ◆ **ISCA TC Members:**
  - ◆ 2016 Panayiotis Georgiou (rotates out 2019); 2017 Mattias Heldner; 2018 Hema Murthy; 2019 Thomas Hain; 2020 Jianhua TAO; 2021 Lukas Burget (joining 2019)
- ◆ **Support IS-19** Technical Aspects / Supporting IS-2019 TPC chairs
  - ◆ Clear no show policy; added START system
  - ◆ Revised review form – for Review Process
  - ◆ Exchanges w/ TC regarding keynote talks & plagiarism oversight
  - ◆ Many submissions (+1825 papers reviewed), gathering info on paper topics
- ◆ **Reviewer Portal:** \* Imported status from IS2018 into portal
  - \* Exported reviewer base to START
  - \* Added reviewers (130 accepted, all nominations validated by TC)
  - \* Validation of current entries (2200) to remove duplicates, update email ...

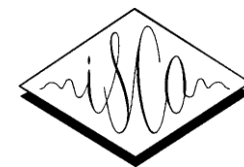


# INTERSPEECH Risk Fund (IRF)



Sebastian  
Möller

- ❖ **Purpose:** to provide a safety mechanism for INTERSPEECH conferences, and to encourage organizers from higher risk locations to consider organizing INTERSPEECH.
- ❖ **Committee:** an IRF standing committee has been formed by ISCA
- ❖ **By-Law:** Was updated to reflect the fund and IRF standing committee.
- ❖ **First application:** INTERSPEECH 2019 in Graz
- ❖ **Now:** Augmentation to/expenditures from the fund, application to the next INTERSPEECH's



# INTERSPEECH 2020

## Shanghai, China

### Cognitive Intelligence for Speech Processing

### September 14-18, 2020





# **INTERSPEECH 2021**

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## **BRNO | CZECH REPUBLIC**

**Motto: “Speech everywhere!”**

**30 August – 3 September 2021 @ BUT Faculty of Inf. Technology**

**General chairs: Hynek Heřmanský and Honza Černocký**

**Technical chairs: Lukáš Burget, Lori Lamel, Emmanuel Dupoux  
and Odette Scharenborg**

# THE 'MUSIC' OF SPEECH; RHYTHMS OF SOCIAL INTERACTION



**INTERSPEECH 2022 - DUBLIN, IRELAND**

**21 – 25 AUGUST 2022**

Slide 54 ISCA General Assembly 2019, September 16, 2019

The 'Music' of Speech;  
Rhythms of  
Social Interaction





# Bids for INTERSPEECH 2023

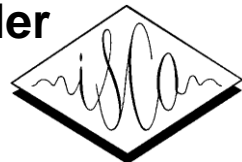
- ◆ **Bids** are invited for hosting INTERSPEECH 2023
- ◆ Please prepare a bid according to the **guidelines**:  
[www.isca-speech.org](http://www.isca-speech.org) -> conferences -> guidelines,  
including bid, bidding and budget template
- ◆ Please **approach us** during or after the conference
- ◆ **Deadline: Nov. 1st, 2019**



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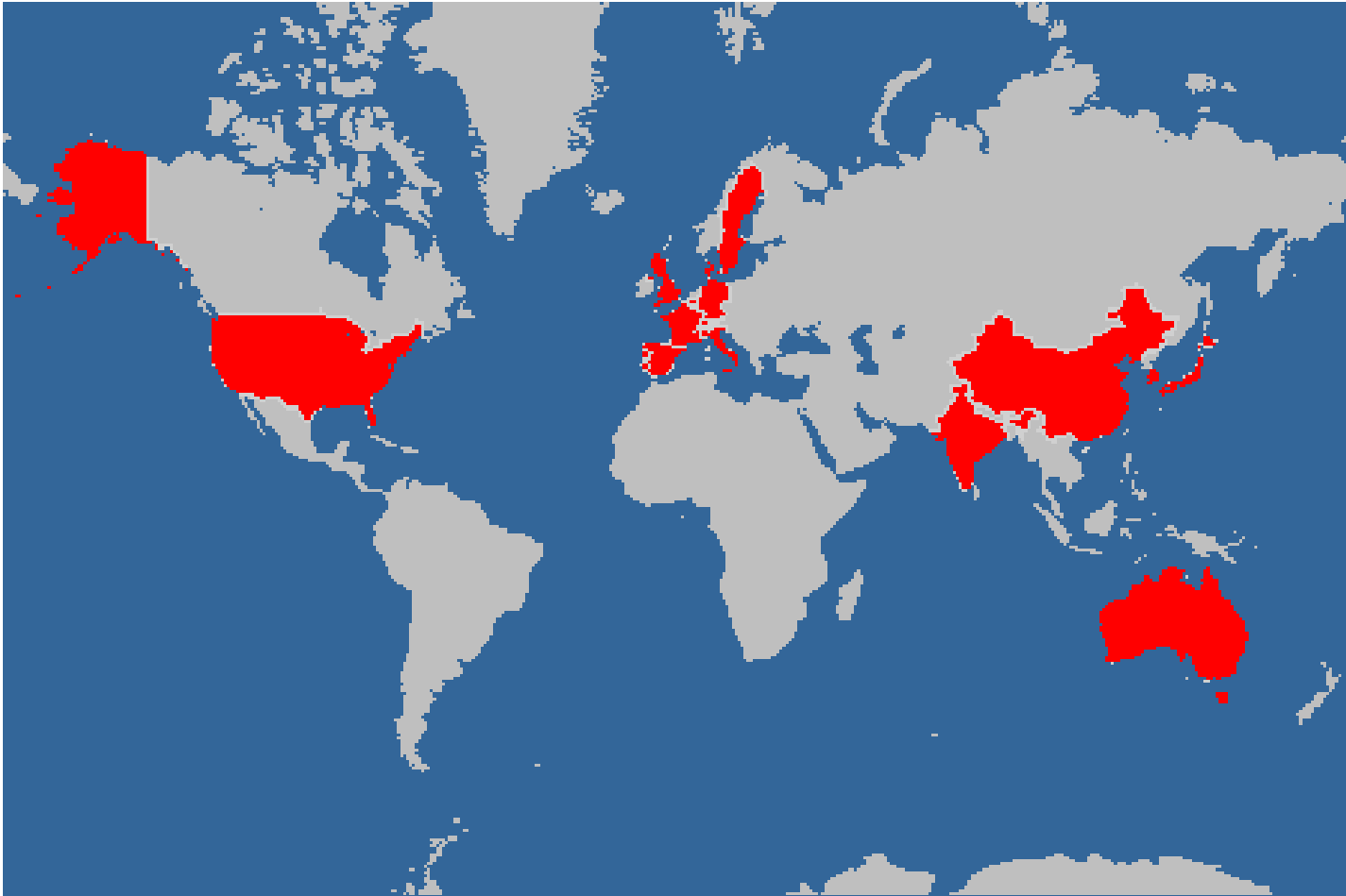


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# Bids for INTERSPEECH 2023!!!

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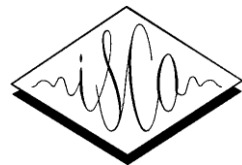




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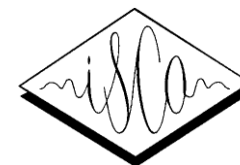
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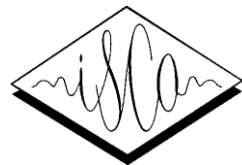
**Mark Hasegawa-Johnson**  
**Treasurer**

# Treasurer's Report



# Treasurer's Report: Income

Income	2017	2018	Total
Membership Fees	<b>31,076.72</b>	<b>116,034.19</b>	<b>147,110.91</b>
Interspeech Contribution	<b>0.00</b>	<b>91,700.00</b>	<b>91,700.00</b>
Special Donation	-	-	-
Interspeech Risk Fund	-	-	-
Sales of Proceedings	<b>111.86</b>	<b>240.00</b>	<b>351.86</b>
Interest on Savings	<b>3,583.41</b>	<b>3,250.21</b>	<b>6,833.62</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>34,771.99</b>	<b>211,224.40</b>	<b>245,996.39</b>

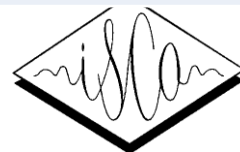


# Treasurer's Report: Expenses Part 1

<b>Expenditures Part 1</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>Total</b>
Salaries	<b>45,169.55</b>	<b>46,970.31</b>	<b>92,139.86</b>
Board/SIG/Committee Meetings	<b>5,270.16</b>	<b>21,833.29</b>	<b>27,103.45</b>
Secretariat	<b>3,887.55</b>	<b>3,789.24</b>	<b>7,676.79</b>
Grants & Awards	<b>8,100.40</b>	<b>30,685.70</b>	<b>38,786.10</b>
Special Interest Groups	-	-	-
Web Services & Maintenance	<b>4,430.00</b>	<b>10,556.01</b>	<b>14,986.01</b>
<b>Subtotal: Salaries, Meetings, Secretariat, SIGs, Website, Grants &amp; Awards</b>	<b>66,857.66</b>	<b>113,834.55</b>	<b>180,692.21</b>

# Treasurer's Report: Expenses Part 2

Expenditures Part 2	2017	2018	Total
(Part 1 from previous slide)	<b>66,857.66</b>	<b>113,834.55</b>	<b>180,692.21</b>
Distinguished Lecturers	<b>5,277.40</b>	<b>6,050.00</b>	<b>11,327.40</b>
Workshop Support	<b>6,400.00</b>	<b>6,563.00</b>	<b>12,963.00</b>
Student Activities	<b>135.00</b>	<b>3,104.47</b>	<b>3,239.47</b>
Training & Education	<b>8,600.00</b>	<b>7,100.00</b>	<b>15,700.00</b>
Contingency	-	-	-
Reviewer Portal	-	<b>2,200.00</b>	<b>2,200.00</b>
Bank Expense	<b>2,117.38</b>	<b>1,846.20</b>	<b>3,963.58</b>
Archive and Publication	<b>1180.03</b>	<b>1,608.78</b>	<b>2,788.81</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>89,400.13</b>	<b>142,307.00</b>	<b>231,707.13</b>

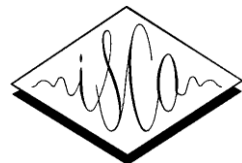


# Treasurer's Report: Assets & Equity

Assets	2017	2018
Bank Balance	<b>234,582.83</b>	<b>403,425.05</b>
Receivables	<b>50,000.00</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>284,582.83</b>	<b>403,425.05</b>

Liabilities	2017	2018
Payable	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

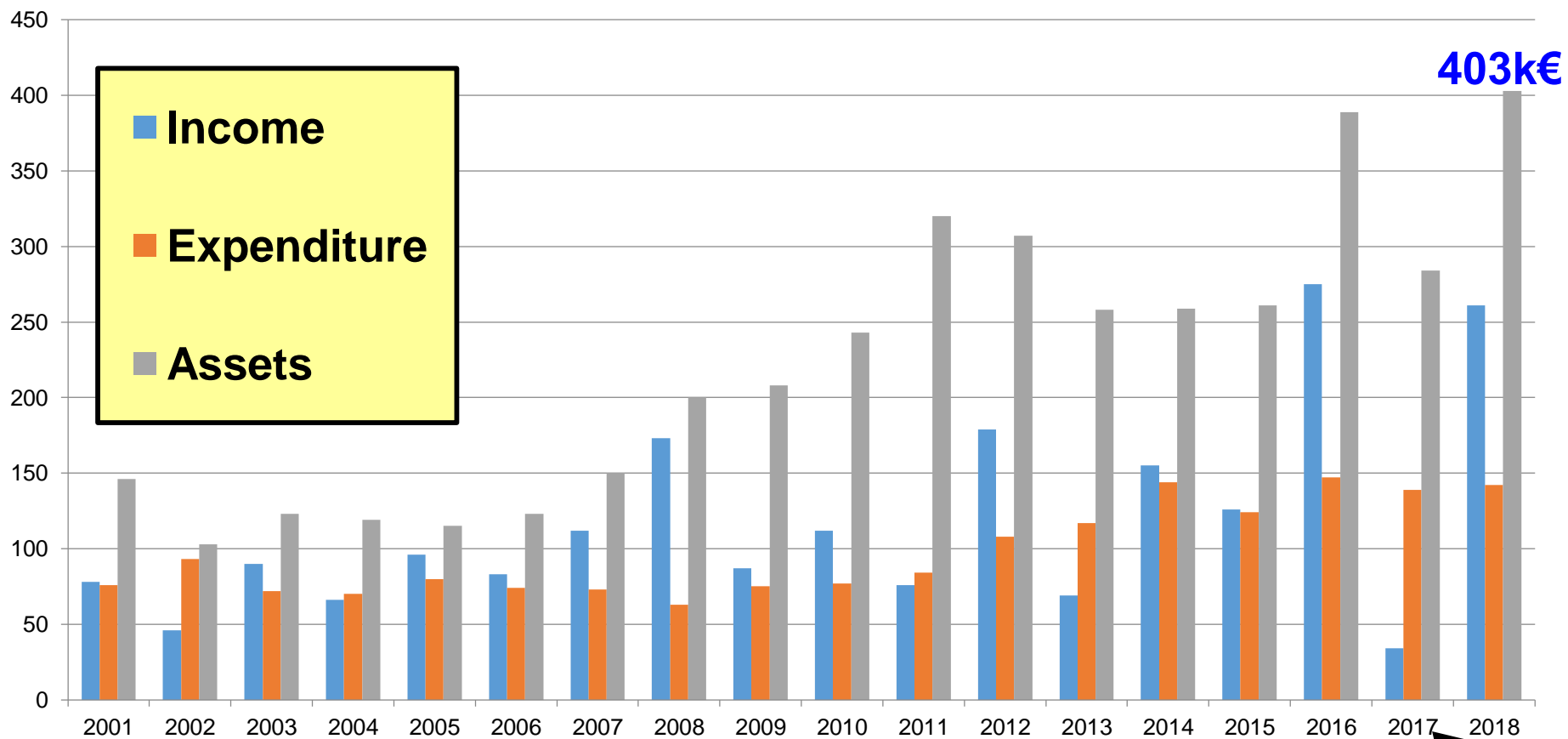
Equity	2017	2018
Interspeech Risk Fund	<b>120,000.00</b>	<b>120,000.00</b>



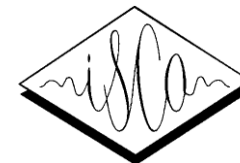


# ISCA Finances since 2001 (k€)

## ISCA Finances since 2001 (in k€)



**Includes IRF: 120k€**



# Treasurer's Report: Conclusions

## ◇ Result of 2018

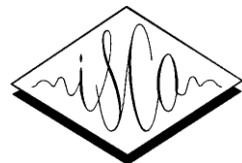
- 2018 includes income & expenses from both IS17 and IS18. Therefore 2017+2018 should be considered together.
- The 2017+2018 result: budget surplus of 14,289 Euro.

## ◇ Overall Health of ISCA

- Surpluses for 11 of the past 14 years.
- Non-profits are not legally allowed to grow indefinitely.

## ◇ ISCA Financial Goals

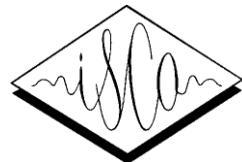
- Beginning 2018, ISCA Board began planning deficit spending on grants, students, and outreach (despite this, 2018 showed a surplus).
- Running Interspeech is still risky for organizer. IRF reduces, but does not eliminate risk. New financial/legal structures could be constructed to further reduce risk, but would require careful design.



# Vote on Treasurer's Report



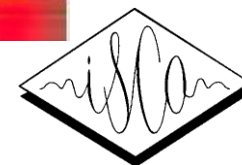
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# Invitation to ISCA General Assembly Sept. 2020



**INTERSPEECH 2020**  
**Shanghai, China**  
**Cognitive Intelligence for Speech Processing**  
**September 14-18, 2020**



◆ Comments,  
Suggestions  
and Questions  
from ISCA Members

