

INTERSPEECH 2020 - General Assembly

27 Oct. 2020
Shanghai, China



John H.L. Hansen
ISCA President



INTERSPEECH-2020: Time Table

TIME (GMT+8)	SUNDAY, 25. 10.	MONDAY, 26. 10.	TUESDAY, 27. 10.	WEDNESDAY, 28. 10.	THURSDAY, 29. 10.
16:30	Tutorial A-I 16:30 - 18:00				
16:45					
17:00		Opening Session 17:00 - 18:00			
17:15					
17:30					
17:45					
18:00	Coffee Break	Keynote 1 18:00 - 19:00	Keynote 2 18:00 - 19:00	Keynote 3 18:00 - 19:00	Keynote 4 18:00 - 19:00
18:15	Tutorial A-II 18:15 - 19:45				
18:30					
18:45					
19:00		Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
19:15	Coffee Break	Technical Sessions 19:15 - 20:15	Technical Sessions 19:15 - 20:15	Technical Sessions 19:15 - 20:15	Technical Sessions 19:15 - 20:15
19:30					
19:45					
20:00	Tutorial B-I 20:00 - 21:30				
20:15		Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
20:30		Technical Sessions 20:30 - 21:30	ISCA General Assembly 20:30 - 22:00	Technical Sessions 20:30 - 21:30	Technical Sessions 20:30 - 21:30
20:45					
21:00					
21:15					
21:30	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	
21:45	Tutorial B-II 21:45 - 23:15	Technical Sessions & Student Events 21:45 - 22:45		Technical Sessions & Student Events 21:45 - 22:45	Technical Sessions 21:45 - 22:45
22:00					
22:15					
22:30					
22:45					Coffee Break
23:00					Closing Session 23:00 - 24:00
23:15					
23:30					
23:45					
24:00					



ISCA GA Housekeeping

◆ *Welcome to the ISCA General Assembly*

Use the Q&A panel to ask the Board questions at any time and let us know of any technical difficulties

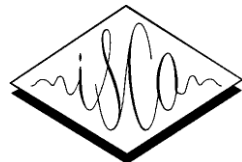


We welcome lots of Comments, Suggestions and Questions. Click “Raise Hand” to indicate you wish to speak when we come to that part.

◆ *The GA will be recorded and shared after the event on the conference website*

Agenda : 2020 ISCA General Assembly

- ◆ 1. Opening remarks and approval of the Minutes of the 2019 General Assembly (Graz) [JH] **[POLL1]**
- ◆ 2. Treasurer's report – Mark Hasegawa-Johnson [MHJ]
- ◆ 3. President's report – John Hansen [JH]
- ◆ 4. Approval of the Treasurer & President reports **[POLL2]**
- ◆ 5. Future of ISCA & ISCA goals for 2020-2021 – discussion
- ◆ 6. Comments, Suggestions and Questions from ISCA Members
- ◆ 7. Invitation to the next ISCA General Assembly – Brno, Czech Republic, September, 2021



Minutes of the 2019 ISCA General Assembly

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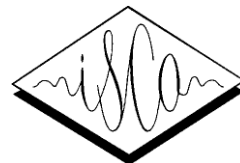
- held on Monday, September 16, 2019, 17:00-18:30

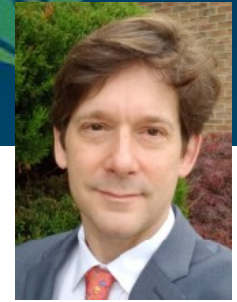
in Hall 1, Messecongress Graz, Graz, Austria.

1. Opening remarks by ISCA President John Hansen
2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2018 ISCA General Assembly --
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 –
Shanghai, China, September, 2019
6. Comments, Suggestions and Questions from ISCA Members



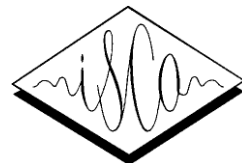
VOTE on GA Minutes 2019
[POLL 1]





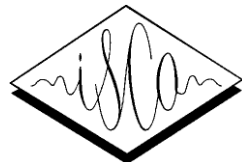
Mark Hasegawa-Johnson
Treasurer

Interspeech 2020 Treasurer's Report



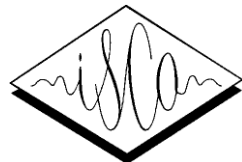
Treasurer's Report: Income

Income	2018	2019
Membership Fees	116,034.19	28,006.29
Interspeech Contribution	91,700.00	0
Special Donation	-	-
Interspeech Risk Fund	-	-
Sales of Proceedings	240.00	338
Interest on Savings	3,250.21	2,731.53
Total Income	211,224.40	31,075.82



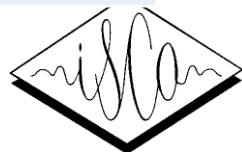
Treasurer's Report: Expenses Part 1

Expenditures Part 1	2018	2019
Salaries	46,970.31	47,152.61
Board/SIG/Committee Meetings	21,833.29	4,745.13
Secretariat	3,789.24	4,531.13
Grants & Awards	30,685.70	8,025.88
Special Interest Groups	-	-
Web Services & Maintenance	10,556.01	5,687.37
Subtotal: Salaries, Meetings, Secretariat, SIGs, Website, Grants & Awards	113,834.55	70,142.12



Treasurer's Report: Expenses Part 2

Expenditures Part 2	2018	2019
(Part 1 from previous slide)	113,834.55	70,142.12
Distinguished Lecturers	6,050.00	3,541.25
Workshop Support	6,563.00	8,258.98
Student Activities	3,104.47	2,777.40
Training & Education	7,100.00	9,500.00
Contingency	-	3,500.00
Reviewer Portal	2,200.00	-
Bank Expense	1,846.20	1,205.13
Archive and Publication	1,608.78	1,500.14
Total Expenses	142,307.00	100,425.02

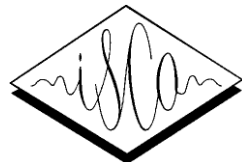


Treasurer's Report: Assets & Equity

Assets	2018	2019
Bank Balance	403,425.05	284,075.85
Receivables	0	50,000.00
Total Assets	403,425.05	334,075.85

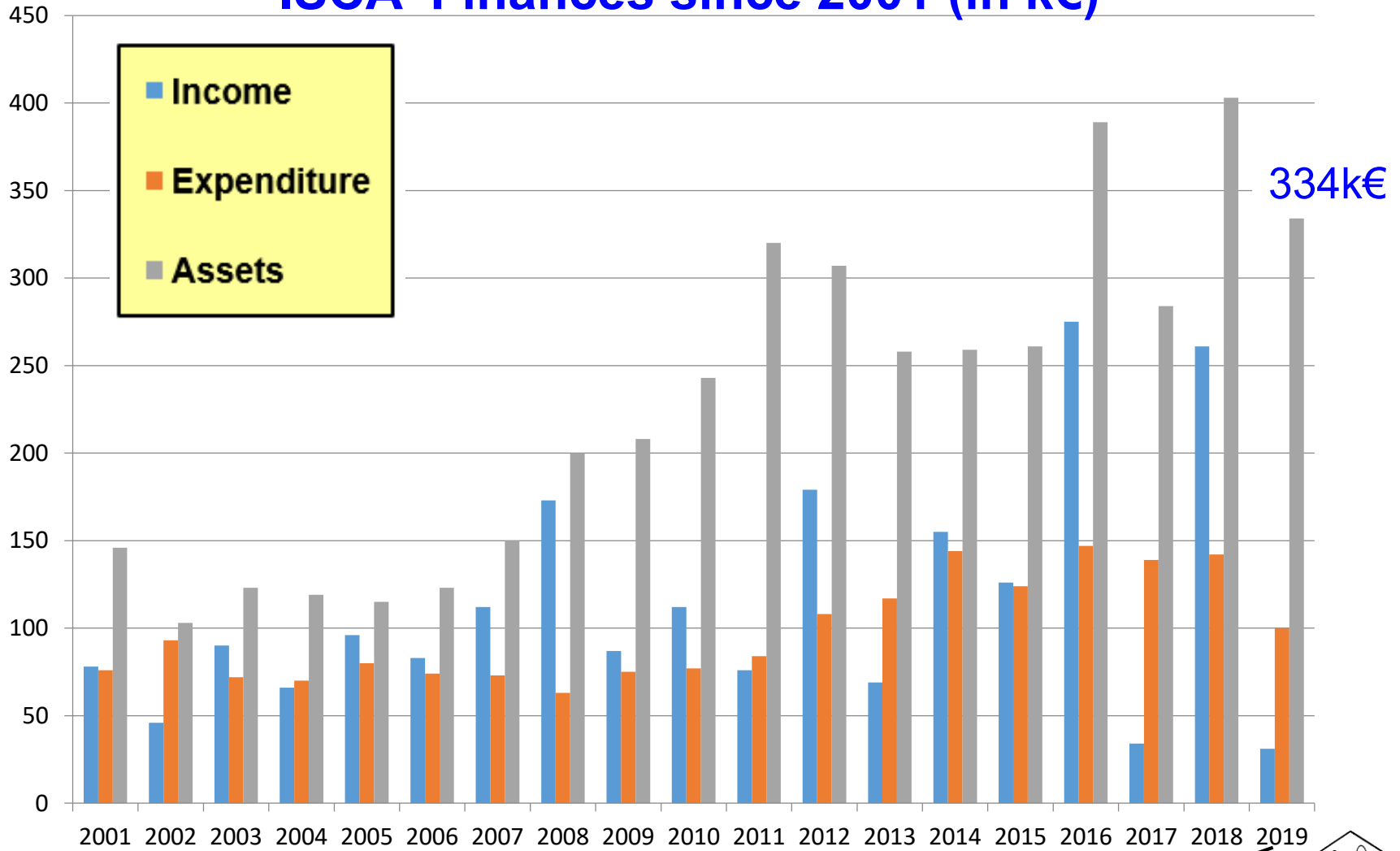
Liabilities	2018	2019
Payable	0	0

Equity	2018	2019
Interspeech Risk Fund	120,000.00	120,000.00

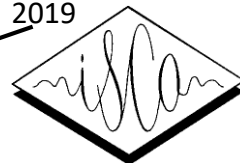


ISCA Finances Since 2001 (k€)

ISCA Finances since 2001 (in k€)

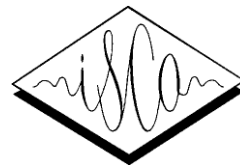


(Includes Interspeech Risk Fund (IRF; 120k€))

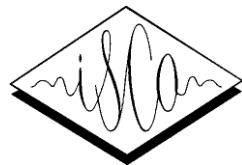


Treasurer's Report: Conclusions

- ◆ ISCA membership and Interspeech attendance continue to rise in almost every year, hence income continues to rise.
- ◆ Income and expenses related to Interspeech 2019 were received in 2020, therefore cash accounting shows a deficit in 2019. Early evidence suggests that 2019 and 2020, taken together, will show a surplus.
- ◆ ISCA assets are sufficient to explore new ideas with the potential to benefit the scientific community.



President's Report



ISCA Board 2020-2021



John Hansen
President



Torbjørn Svendsen
Vice President
(Grants/Awards)



Kate Knill
Secretary



Mark Hasegawa-Johnson
Treasurer



Gerard Bailly
SIGs (Topic)
Workshops



Margaret
"Meg" Zellers
Conference
SIGs (Topic)



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Would you like to serve on the
ISCA Board?
ISCA Board Election 2021



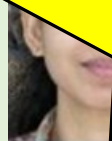
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Committee



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Diveristy &
Outreach; Students

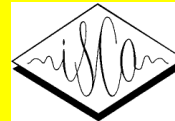


Nobuaki
Minematsu
SIGs (Language)
Dist. Lecturers



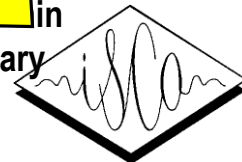
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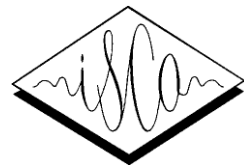
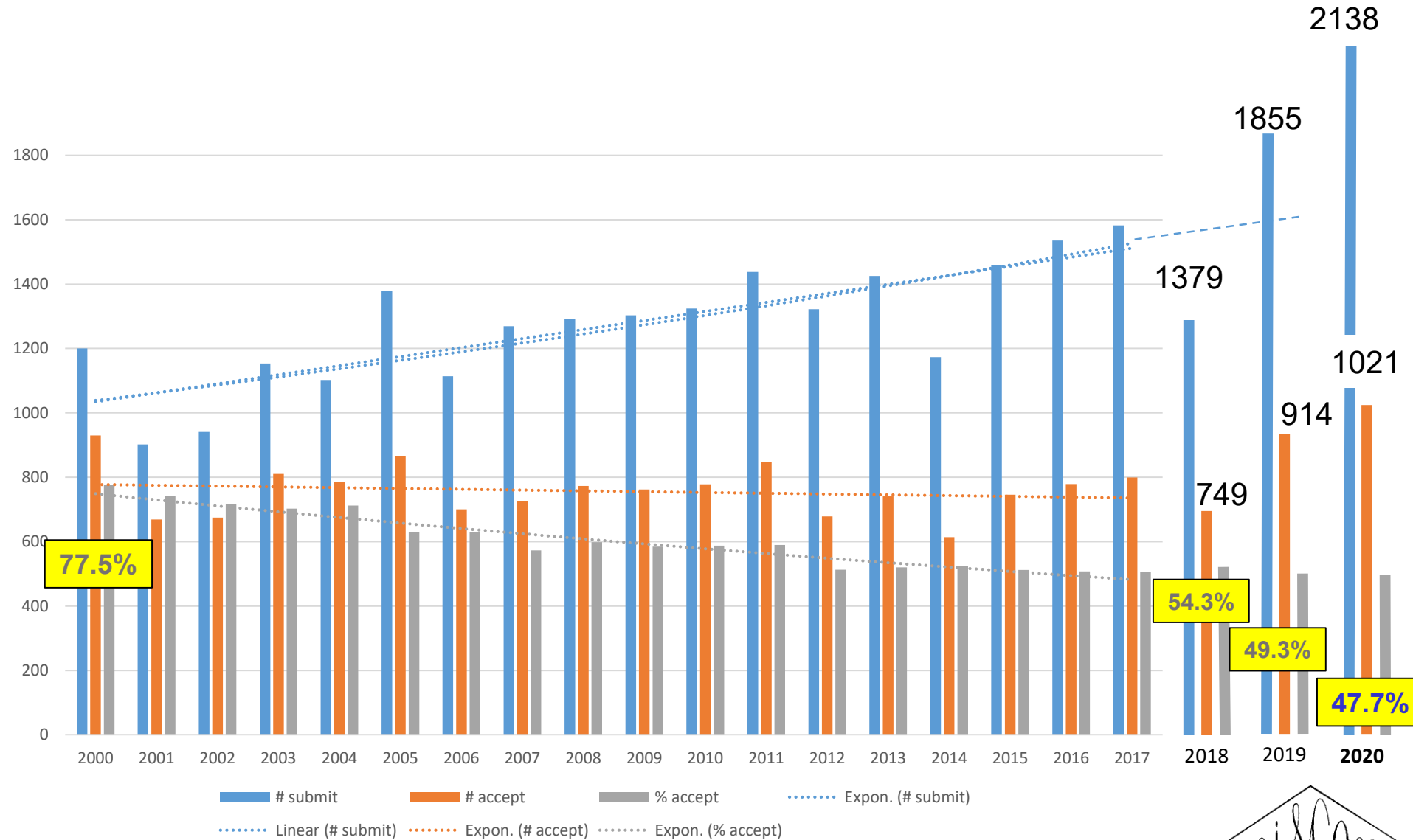


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INTERSPEECH Paper Statistics since 2000



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

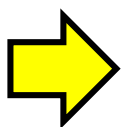
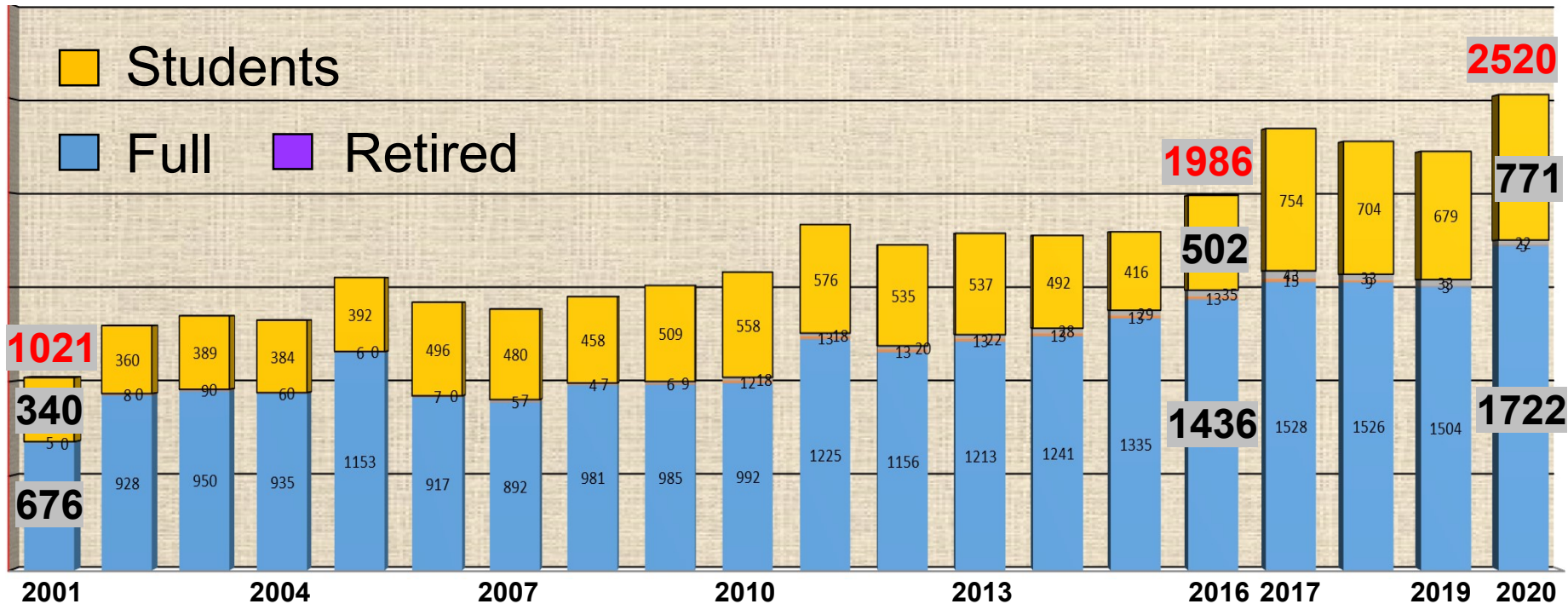
	'20	'19	'18	'17	'16
1. Speech Perception, Production and Acquisition	148	161	126	212	144
2. Phonetics, Phonology, and Prosody	71	103	77	164	97
3. Analysis of Paralinguistics in Speech and Language	157	140	115	159	123
4. Speaker and Language Identification	186	173	131	172	145
5. Analysis of Speech and Audio Signals	254	212	172	140	152
6. Speech Coding and Enhancement	193	122	84	81	86
7. Speech Synthesis and Spoken Language Generation	246	173	98	130	147
8. Speech Recognition Signal Processing, Acoustic Modeling, Robustness, and Adaptation	265	252	175	171	206
9. Speech Recognition - Architecture, Search, and Linguistic Components	97	71	50	57	75
10. Speech Recognition - Technologies and Systems for New Applications	126	80	65	57	102
11. Spoken dialog systems and conversational analysis	85	110	50	106	84
12. Spoken Language Processing: Translation, Information Retrieval, Summarization, Resources and Evaluation	93	97	54	119	56
Special Sessions:		161	182		
TOTALS:	2138	1855	1379	1568	1417



ISCA Membership since 2001

ISCA Membership from 2001 to 2020 (Full & Student)

ISCA MEMBERSHIP per YEAR

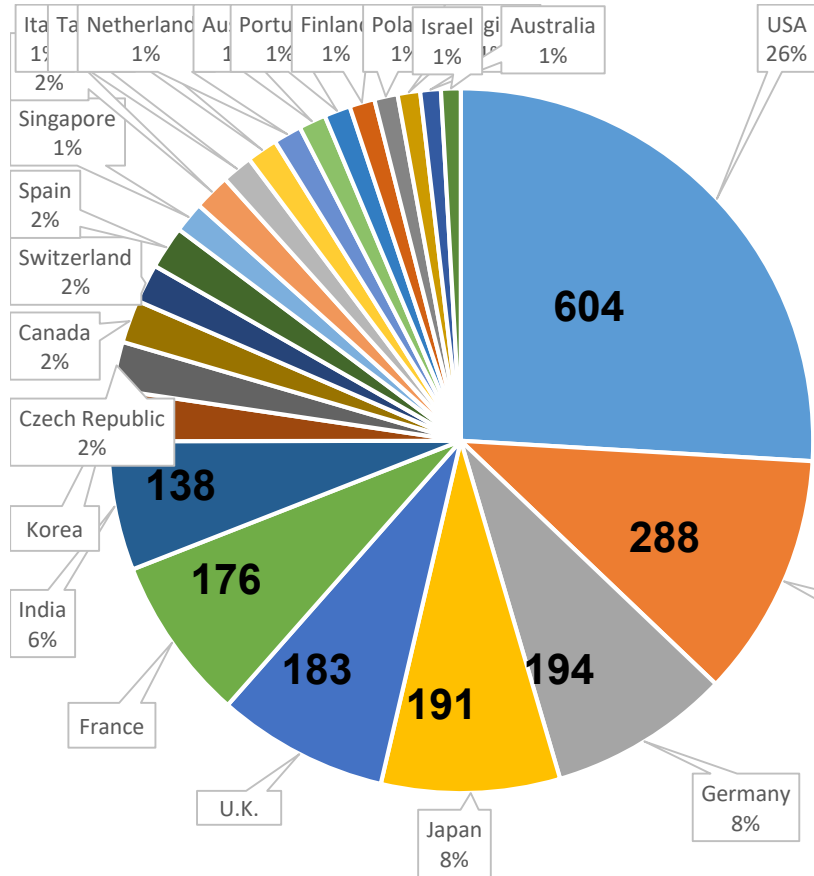


- ◆ +2500 members this year (largest to date)
- ◆ last 4yrs, 700-770 Student Members (~500: 2006-16)



ISCA Membership by Country (2020)

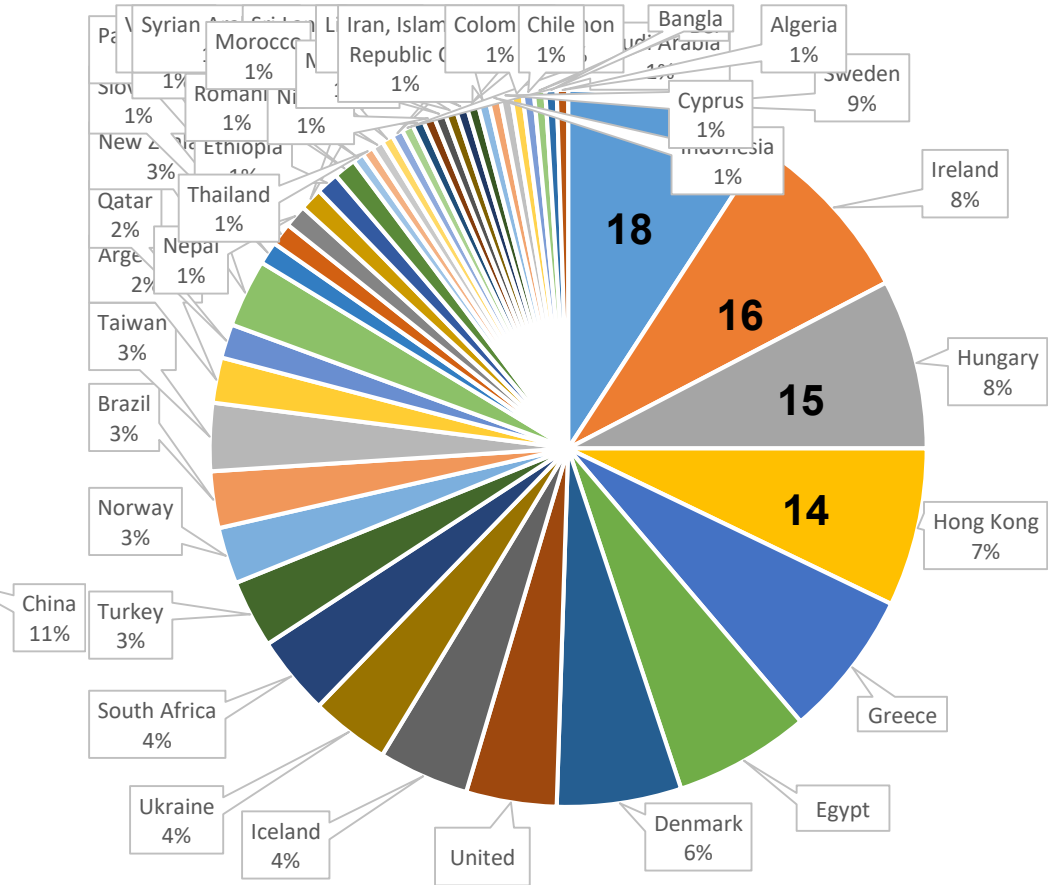
Countries w/ +20 members



24 Countries; (604 – 20 members)
Members: 2330

NOTE: 19 past & 1 future IS Conf.

Countries w/ < 20 members

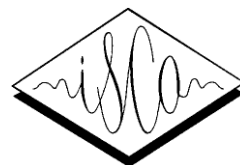
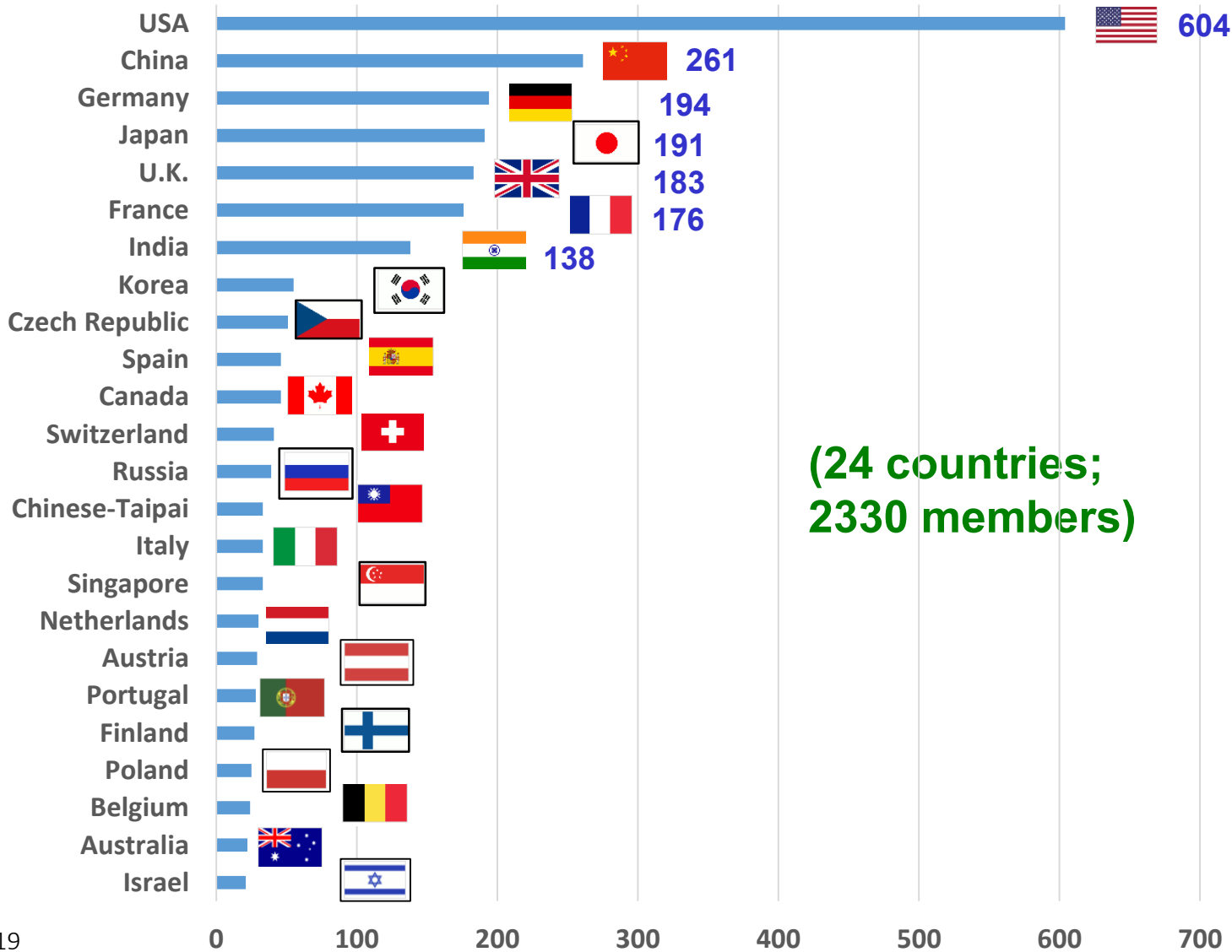


27 Countries; (19 – 1 member)
Members: 190

NOTE: 2 past & 1 future IS Conf.

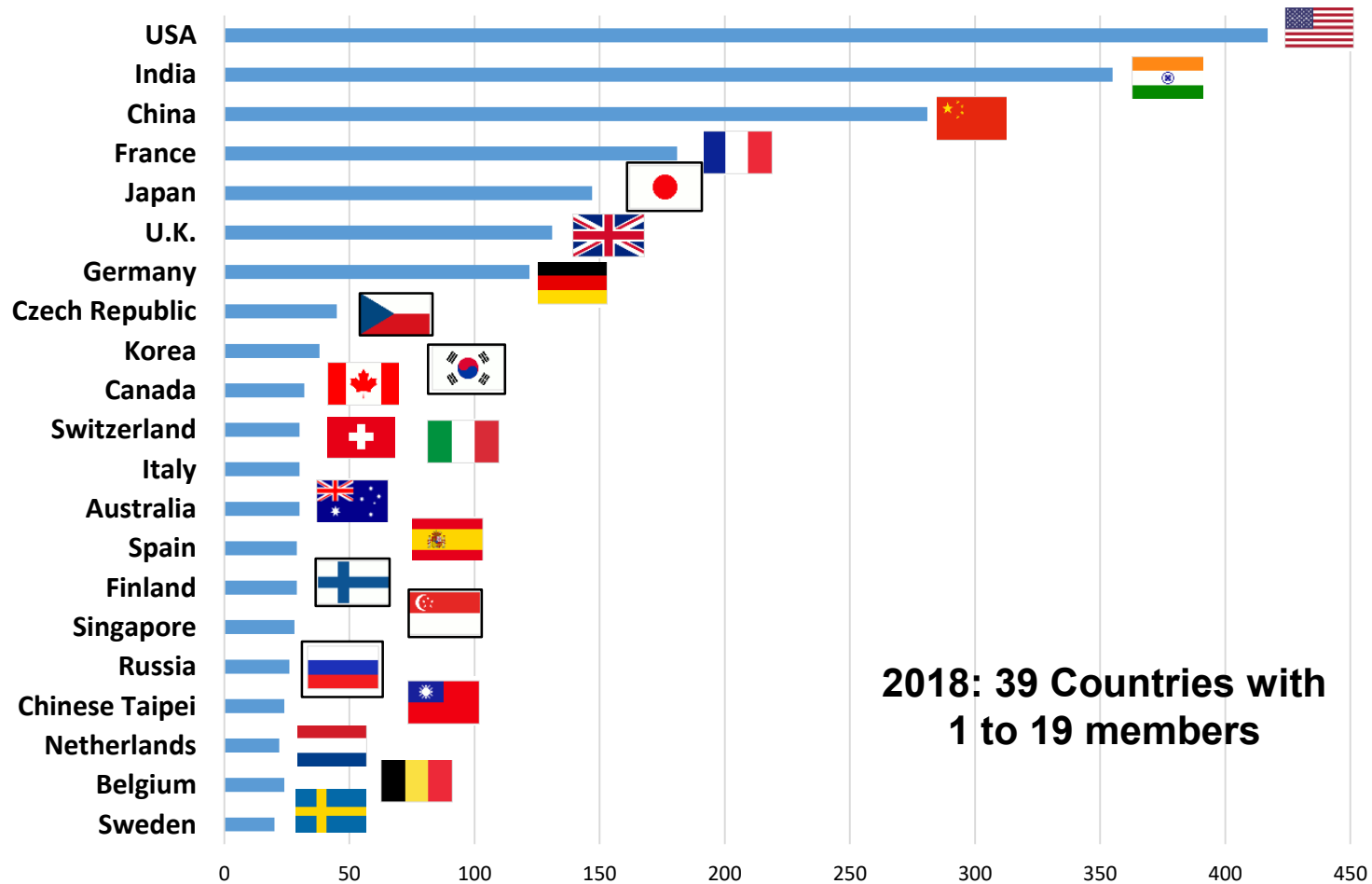
ISCA Membership by Country (2020)

2020: Countries w/ +20 members

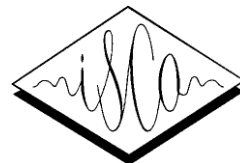


ISCA Membership by Country (2018)

2018 : countries with +20 members

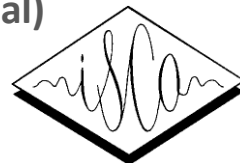
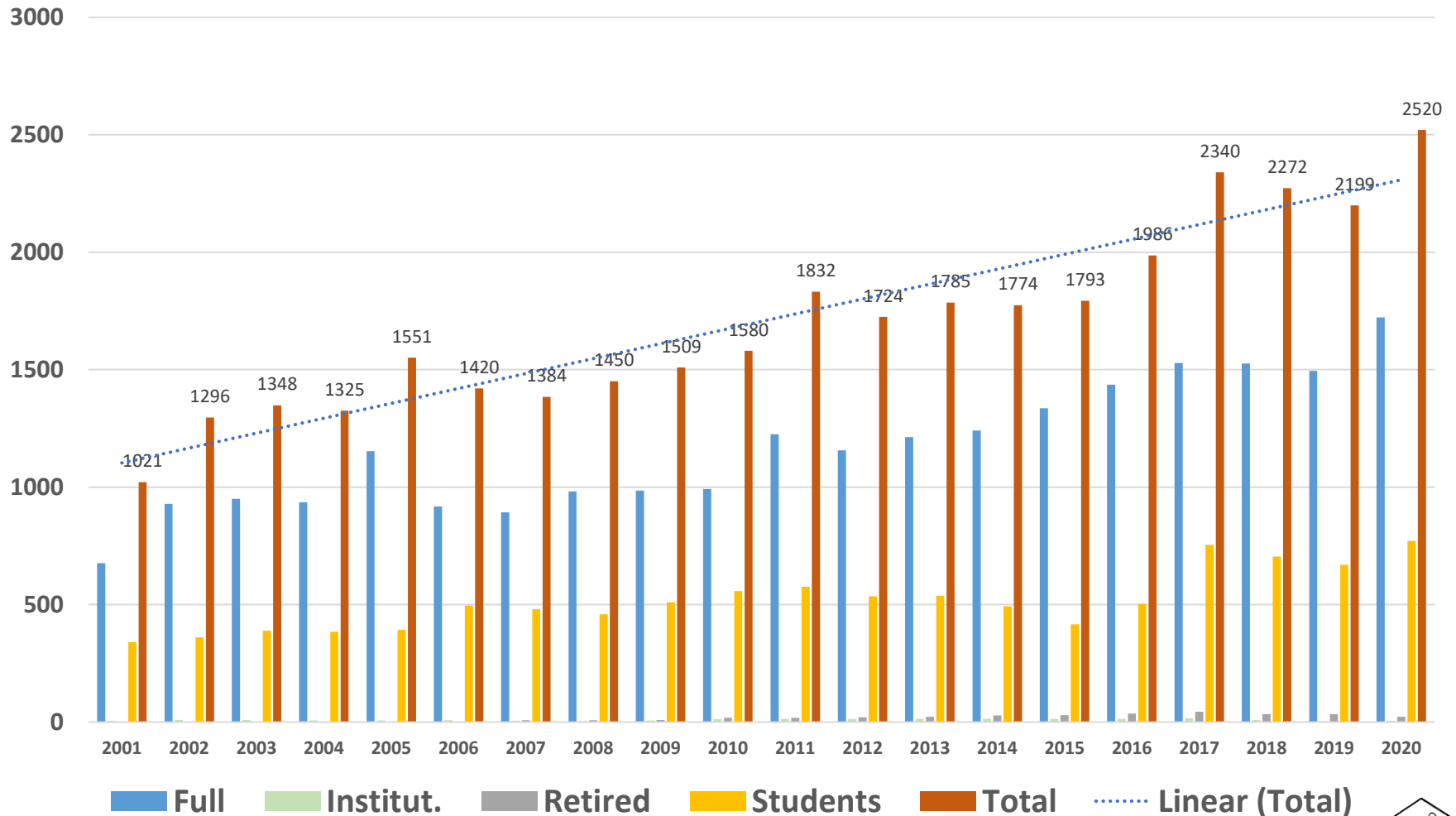


**2018: 39 Countries with
1 to 19 members**

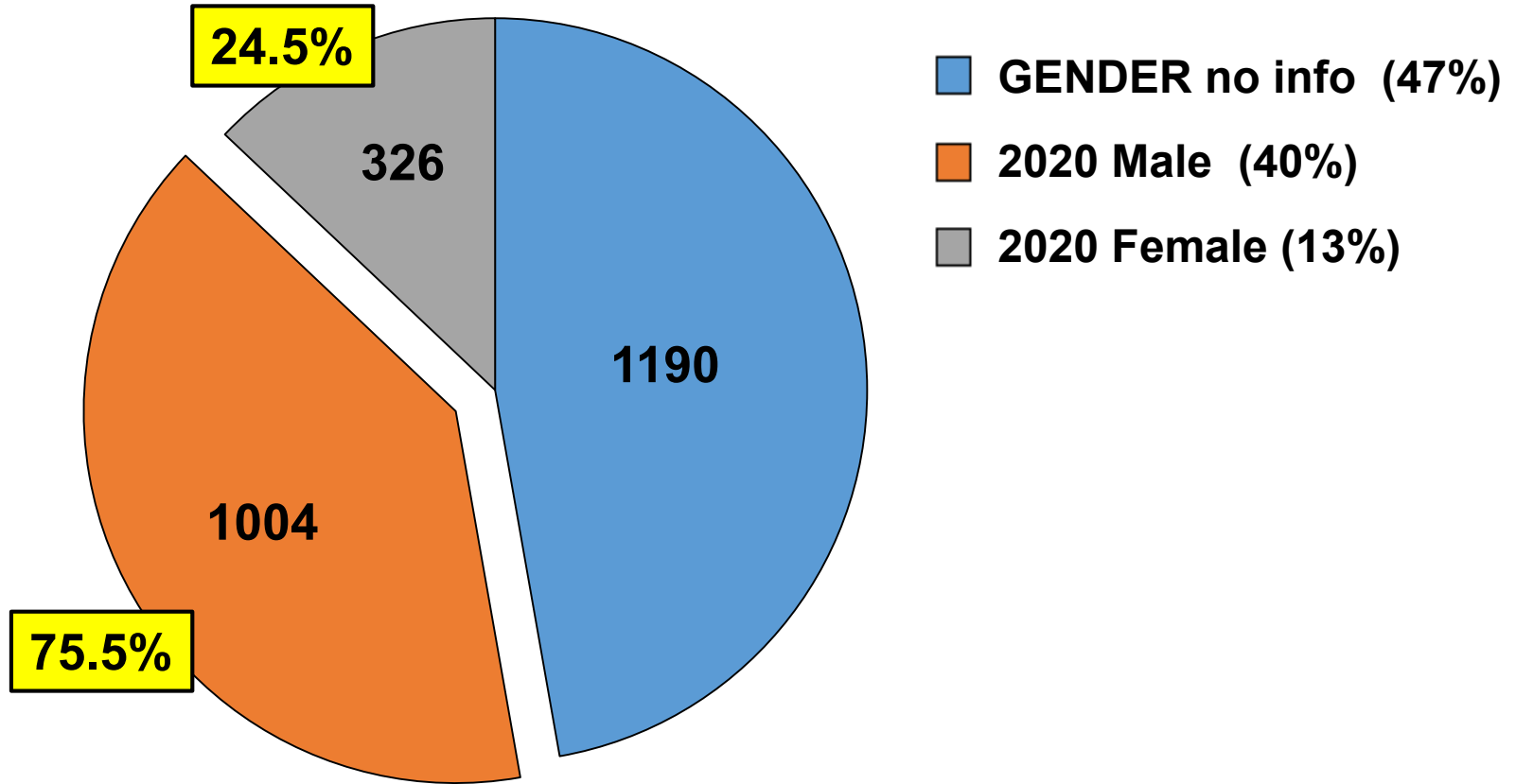


ISCA Membership by Year (2001 – 2020)

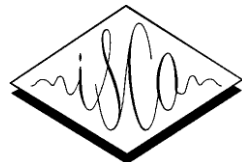
Membership 2001-2020



ISCA Membership by Gender (2020)



- ◆ 24.5% Female Members (who identify)
- ◆ 75.5% Male Members (who identify)

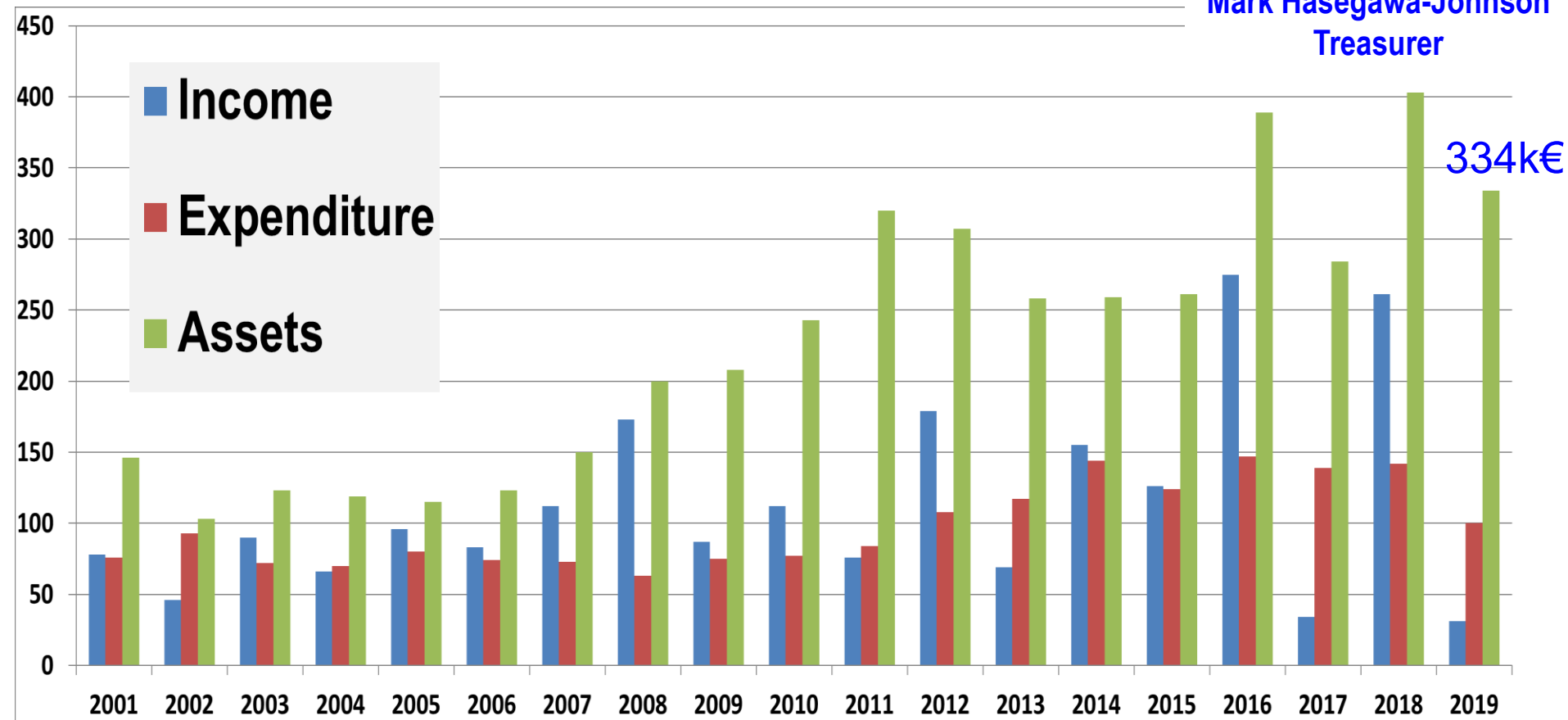


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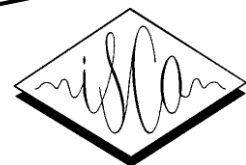


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Treasurer

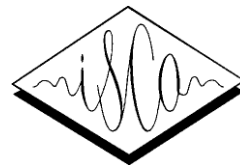
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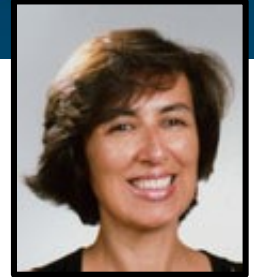
Awards & Recognition



ISCA Fellows 2020



Phil Green
ISCA Board
Coordinator

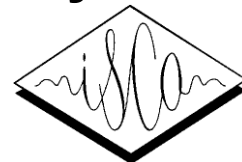


Isabel Trancoso
Fellows Selection
Committee Chair
(completes term
Fall'20)



Valerie Hazan
(term starts
Fall'20)

- ◆ **Seek nominations from ISCA Community**
- ◆ **Include 4 referees: senior people in the ISCA community**
- ◆ **Separate ISCA Fellows Committee Reviews & Votes**



ISCA Fellows 2020



Paavo Alku



Catherine Best



Martin Cooke



Thomas Hain



Satoshi Nakamura



Bjorn Schuller



Phil Green
ISCA Board
Coordinator



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ISCA FELLOWS (Historical Summary)

81 ISCA Fellows (as of Oct.'20)



81 ISCA Fellows Recognized (22 Women; 59 Men)

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**



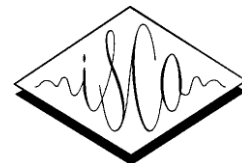
**Hermann
Ney**



**Roberto
Pieraccini**



**Elizabeth
Shriberg**



ISCA FELLOWS (Historical Summary)

81 ISCA Fellows



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



2012

John Ohala



Chin-Hui Lee



Yoshinori Sagisaka



Stephanie Seneff



2013

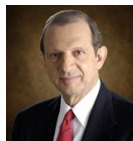
Jérôme BELLEGARDA



Daniel HIRST



John MAKHOUL



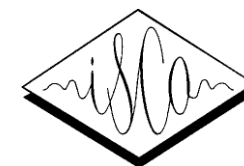
Hervé BOURLARD



Andreas STOLCKE



Keiichi TOKUDA



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2014

**James
GLASS**



**Isabel
TRANCOSO**



**Dilek
HAKKANI-TÜR**



**Jacqueline
VAISSIÈRE**



**Michael
PICHENY**



**Bayya
YEGNANARAYANA**



2015

**Pascale
FUNG**



**Reinhold
HAEB-UMBACH**



**Lori
LAMEL**



**David
NAHAMOO**



**Marc
SWERTS**



2016

**Mary
HARPER**



**Helen
MENG**



**Shrikanth
NARAYANAN**



**Steve
RENALS**



**Tanja
SCHULTZ**



**Chiu-Yu
TSENG**



2017

**Alan
BLACK**



**Jean-Luc
GAUVAIN**



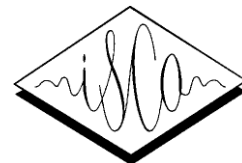
**Bhuvana
RAMABHADRAN**



**Giuseppe
RICCARDI**



**Michael
RILEY**



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2018

**Denis
BURNHAM**



**Simon
KING**



**Carol
ESPY-WILSON**



**Haizhou
LI**



**Keikichi
HIROSE**



**Richard
SCHWARTZ**

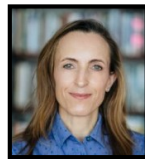


2019

**Martine
ADDA-DECKER**



**Jennifer
COLE**



**Mark
GALES**



**Valerie
HAZAN**



**Douglas
O'SHAUGNESSY**



**Yannis
STYLIANOU**



**Christian
WELLEKENS**



2020

**Paavo
ALKU**



**Catherine
BEST**



**Martin
COOKE**



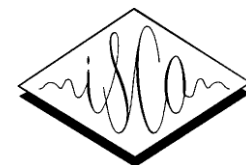
**Thomas
HAIN**



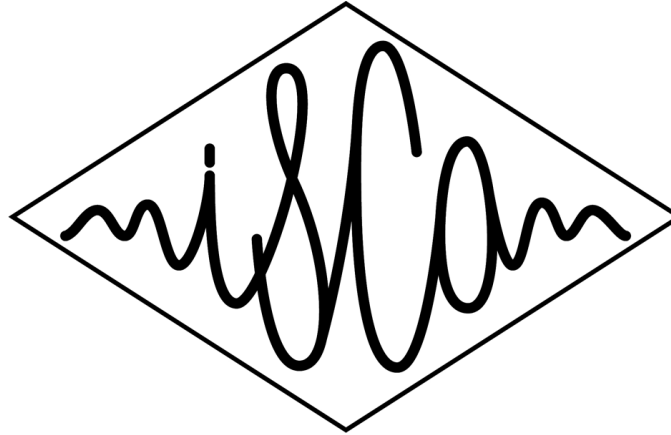
**Satoshi
NAKAMURA**



**Bjorn
SCHULLER**



ISCA Medal for Special Service 2020

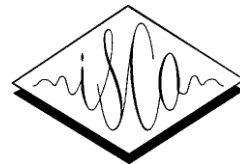


The ISCA Medal for Special Service

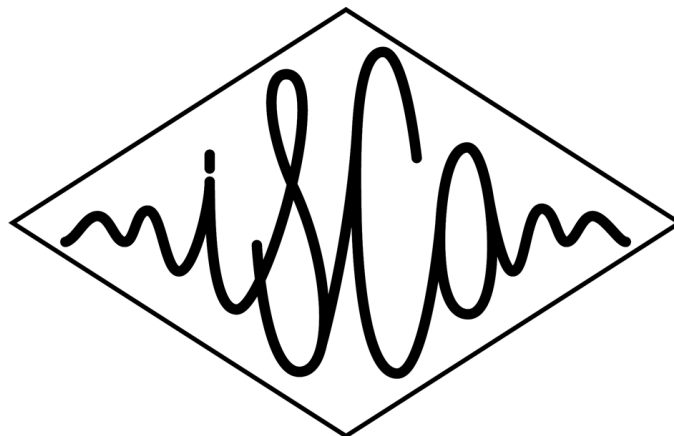


Prof. Isabel Trancoso

“For sustained service for ISCA and the Speech Communication community in terms of leadership, outreach and society recognition”



ISCA Medal for Special Service 2020

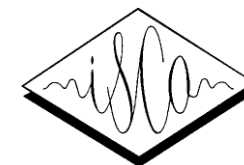


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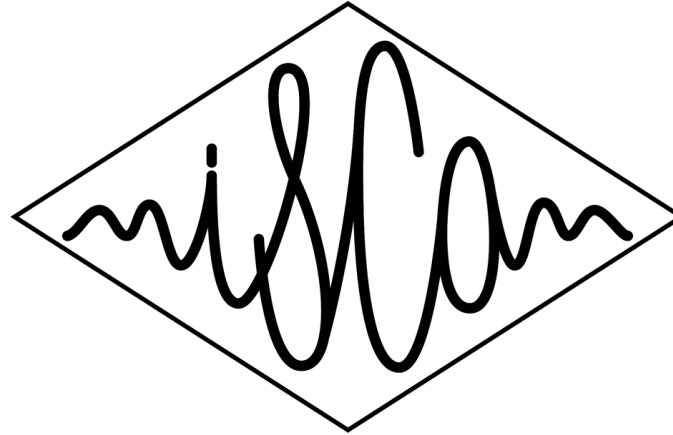


Prof. Julia Hirschberg

“For help in shaping the Speech Communication community and advancing gender diversity in terms of membership and recognition in the field of speech communication”



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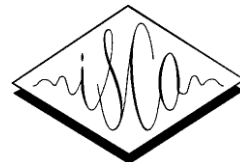


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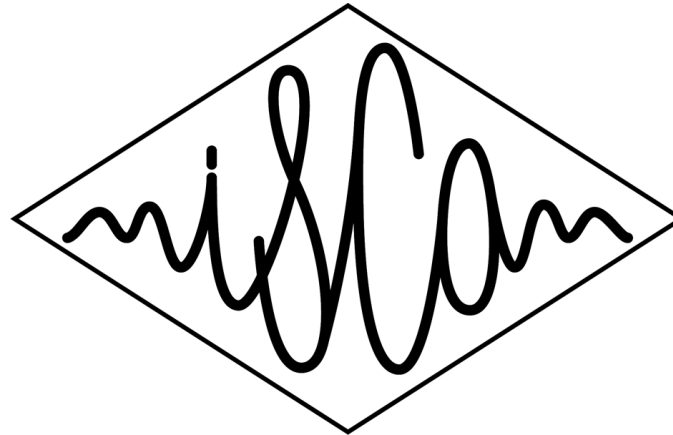


Prof. Roger K. Moore

“For service in the establishment, leadership, and international growth of ISCA”



ISCA Medal for Special Service 2020

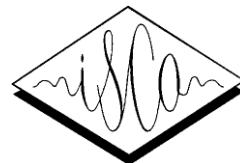


The ISCA Medal for Special Service



Prof. Sadaoki Furui

“For inspiring leadership and building bridges across the international Speech Communication community”

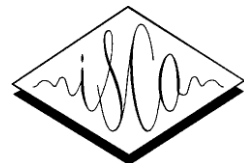


ISCA Medal 2020 for Scientific Achievement



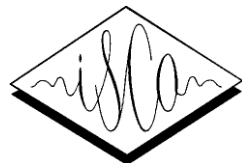
Prof. Janet Pierrehumbert (Oxford University)

“For contributions to Phonology”



Awards (Recognized at Closing Ceremony)

- ◆ INTERSPEECH Best Student Paper Awards
- ◆ Best Papers - Computer Speech and Language
- ◆ Best Papers - Speech Communication



The 11th Christian Benoît Award



Gerard Bailly

Laudator: Gérard Bailly

◆ In honor of Christian Benoît, French CNRS Researcher (1956–98)

◆ Auditory-visual speech processing

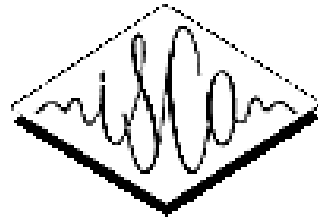
◆ ESCA Secretary since 1993, founder member of ISCA-SIG AVISA

◆ Financial support (7500 €) to a promising young scientist in

SPEECH and FACE-TO-FACE COMMUNICATION
Basic or applied research projects



◆ Sponsored by

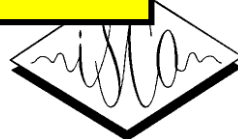


◆ Periodicity: 2 years

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



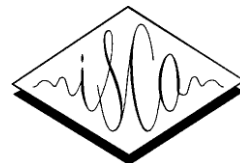
Seeking Nominations for next year 2021!





Torbjørn Svendsen

- ◆ Grants for students and young scientists to participate in ISCA events
- ◆ ISCA sponsored workshops/events
 - ◆ 7 applications
 - ◆ Only 1 grant awarded (cancelled events, formal issues)
- ◆ INTERSPEECH 2020
 - ◆ 121 grants awarded
 - ◆ €140 per grant – reduced due to on-line event
 - ◆ ~145 applications
- ◆ **Apply for travel grants as early as possible!**

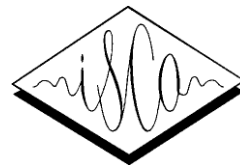


ISCA Interspeech-20 Travel Grants

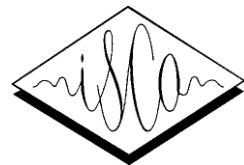
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Ye Bai	Huang Jing	Tomáš Nekvinda	Jan Vainer
Maria Catarina Botelho	Khia A Johnson	Si-loi Ng	Arthur Van Den Broucke
Huili Chen	Santos Jônatas	Aaron Nicolson	Pannala Vishala
Srikanth Raj Chetupalli	Martin Joshua	Chennupati Nivedita	Jixuan Wang
Seungtaek Choi	Mikolaj Kegler	Leanne Nortje	Lei Wang
Yung-Sung Chuang	Kartik Khandelwal	Sara Papi	Qing Wang
Shang-Yi Chuang	Piyush Khanna	Jun Qi	Wenqi Wei
Jian Cong	Venkat Krishnamohan	Xinchi Qiu	Yanfeng Wu
Ping Cui	Riwei Lai	Vijay Ravi	Yusong Wu
Fan Cunhang	Anna Leschanowsky	Nari Rhee	Danai Xezonaki
Du Dan	Guanjun Li	Sharon Rini	Wei Xue
Jack Deadman	Shuyang Li	Kumar Rohit	Hemant Yadav
Dash Debadatta	Yanping Li	Thomas Rolland	Xu Yan
Tuan Dinh	Zheng Lian	Kamini Sabu	Yike Yang
Vipula Dissanayake	Sanne Limonard	Samik Sadhu	Fengyu Yang
Richeng Duan	Baihan Lin	Ravi Shankar	Ziqing Yang
Albadawy Ehab	Yi Lin	Yash Sharma	Bai Yu
Shahla Farzana	Jiaxing Liu	Hao Shi	Shirahata Yuma
Xiaoli Feng	Tien-Hong Lo	Weng Shi-Yan	Lin Yuqin
Yan Feng	Yen-Ju Lu	Goto Shunsuke	Zhen Zeng
Marco Gaido	Alexis Deighton Macintyre	Shamane Siriwardhana	Zeng Zeng
Yingming Gao	Shuiyang Mao	Aswin Sivaraman	Hanyi Zhang
Mandar Gogate	Julião Mariana	George Sterpu	Yingzhu Zhao
Zhang Guangyan	Kento Matsumoto	Bo-Hao Su	Zheng Zhenpeng
Rowe Hannah	John Mendonça	Yeh Sung-Lin	Chao Zhou
Po-Chun Hsu	Ge Meng	Tanya Talkar	Junzhe Zhu
Shichao Hu	Takashi Morita	Wang Tao	Liu Zirui
Yanxin Hu			

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Congratulations to all ISCA TRAVEL Grant Awardees!



ISCA Programs



ISCA DIVERSITY Committee

Committee Members

- ◆ Odette Scharenborg (chair)
- ◆ Mark Hasegawa-Johnson
- ◆ Julia Hirschberg (external member)

New external members:

- ◆ Heidi Christensen
- ◆ Dale Joachim
- ◆ Sebastian Möller



Aims

- ◆ 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

DIVERSITY: Recognizing & Encouraging

ISCA commits to supporting diversity in all forms of our membership and community

Questions, suggestions?

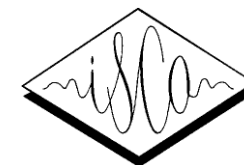


Odette Scharenborg

diversity@isca-speech.org

Activities:

- ◆ Diversity: Gender, Regional, Science/Technology, etc.
- ◆ Tracking diversity on gender so far. We want to broaden to ethnicity, sexual orientation, etc. → A questionnaire will come out soon
- ◆ Diversity meetings at Interspeech: **Mon Oct 26: 21-22h (Zoom Issues)**
UPDATE: ISCA will be holding a Town Hall meeting in the next month for Diversity
- ◆ New: LGBTQI* meeting: **Tue Oct 27: 22-23h** (send us an e-mail for the link!)
- ◆ Working on an ISCA statement on Diversity



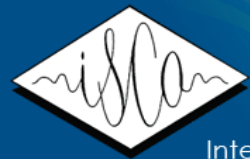
ISCA Web & Communications



Kate Knill
Secretary



Chris Wellekens
(ISCApad)



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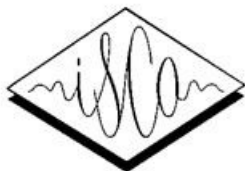
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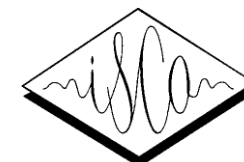
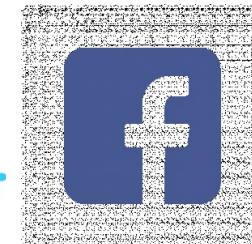
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Online Archive

ISCA pad Archive

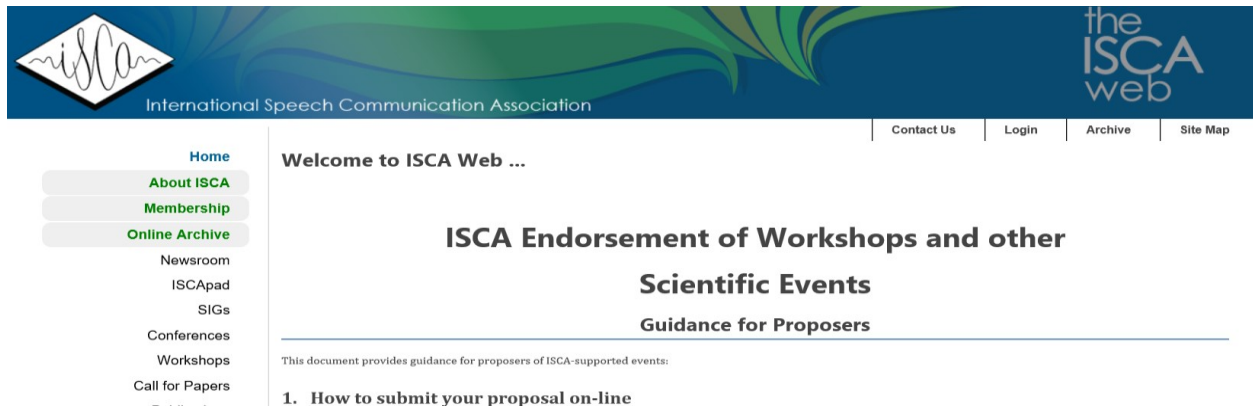


*SCOOT: Speech Communication
Online Training*



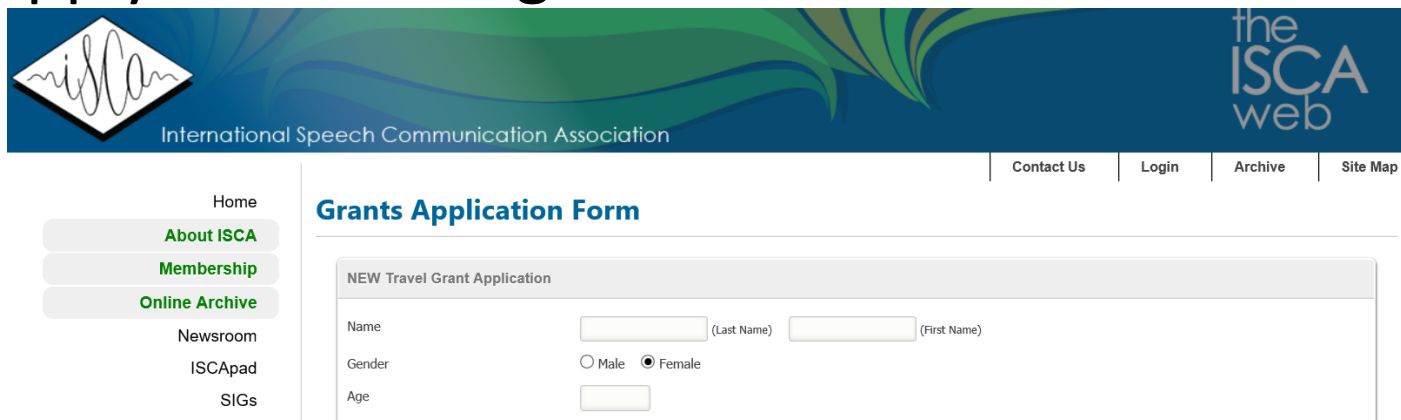
ISCA IT Infrastructure

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

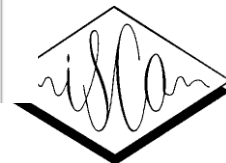


The screenshot shows the ISCA website home page. The header includes the ISCA logo and the text "International Speech Communication Association" and "the ISCA web". A navigation menu on the left lists: Home, About ISCA, Membership, Online Archive, Newsroom, ISCApad, SIGs, Conferences, Workshops, and Call for Papers. The main content area features a "Welcome to ISCA Web ..." message and a central heading: "ISCA Endorsement of Workshops and other Scientific Events Guidance for Proposers". Below this heading, it states "This document provides guidance for proposers of ISCA-supported events:" and lists "1. How to submit your proposal on-line".

- ◆ To apply for a travel grant



The screenshot shows the "Grants Application Form" on the ISCA website. The header is identical to the previous screenshot. The main content area is titled "Grants Application Form" and contains a "NEW Travel Grant Application" form. The form fields include: Name (Last Name and First Name), Gender (Male and Female), and Age.





**Nobuaki
Minematsu**

■ 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



**Nobuaki
Minematsu**

Distinguished Lecturers for 2020-2022 (3 years)

- ◆ 1) Prof. [Suzanne Boyce](#), University of Cincinnati, USA
- ◆ 2) Prof. [Hemant A. Patil](#), Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology, India

Distinguished Lecturers for 2019-2021 (3 years)

- ◆ Prof. Laurent Besacier, Univ. Grenoble Alpes, France
- ◆ Prof. Mark Gales, Cambridge University, UK

Invitations are requested !

ISCA IAC
Feedback:
Encourage more
Remote DL talks

Regarding costs for inviting Distinguished Lecturers,

- ◆ Flight will be covered by ISCA, and local travel & accommodation costs need to be covered by local host *if travelling is possible physically*.
- ◆ Under COVID-19, online talks with interactive discussions can be provided for students and young researchers.
- ◆ For details, please go to ISCA Distinguished Lecturer Website.

ISCA SIGs & Workshops



Gerard Bailly



**Margaret
"Meg" Zellers
SIGs (Topic)**

◆ ISCA SIGs

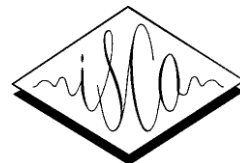
- ◆ 15 topics SIGs + 6 language SIGs
- ◆ New SIG Spoken Language Translation (SLT)
- ◆ Joint SIGs: SIGUL with ELRA and SIGDIAL, SPSC, SLT with ACL

◆ ISCA workshop committee

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

◆ 17 ISCA-endorsed events in 2020

- ◆ Short of, because of Covid, 2 canceled: SLTU/CCURL & HSCR
- ◆ Only 2 IS satellites, 1 training school (SSPC), 2 challenges (Blizzard & VoxCeleb)
- ◆ Most events held virtually
- ◆ Often more virtual attendees than expected participants:
SIGDIAL (60 expected -> 980 registered),
CHIME (100 expected -> 200 registered)...



Publications & Archive



Tatsuya
Kawahara

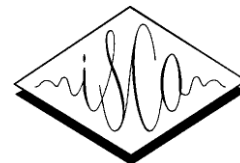
- ◆ INTERSPEECH 2020 will soon be available on the ISCA archive.
- ◆ DOI assigned to all papers.
- ◆ Publications FAQ:

“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.

“Can I use a part of my papers for my dissertation?”

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



Code of Ethics for Authors



Tatsuya
Kawahara

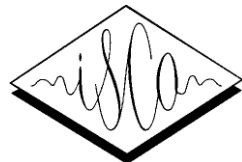
ISCA is committed to publishing high-quality journals and conference proceedings.

- ◆ NO fabrication, falsification or data breach
- ◆ NO (self-)plagiarism, No multiple submissions
- ◆ 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 for full text



Code-of-Conduct for Conference and Workshop Attendees

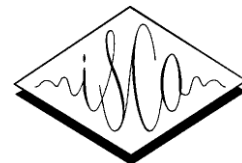


Tatsuya
Kawahara

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.

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ISCA By-Laws (Update)

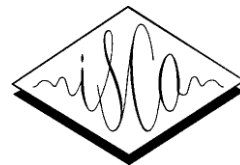


Kate Knill
Secretary

◆ Changes to ISCA Bylaws (1)

◆ Add:

1.2 Under exceptional circumstances, where the ISCA Board and Members are unable to meet and communicate in the standard way, the ISCA Board may temporarily amend the procedures necessary to carry out the efficient running of the Association. This may involve, but is not limited to, replacing in-person with remote attendance at meetings and changes to closing dates commensurate with the requirements of the circumstances. A two-thirds majority of the Board is required to approve such changes.



ISCA By-Laws (Update)



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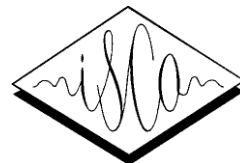
◆ Changes to ISCA Bylaws (2)

◆ Amend:

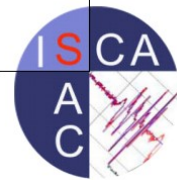
13.2 ISCA Service Medal: each year the Board will decide whether to present an ISCA Service Medal to an ISCA member who has provided extraordinary service to ISCA and/or the Speech Communication community [~~delete: over their career~~]. If so decided, nominations are solicited from the Board or the IAC, and the Board chooses the medalist. Each candidacy must have supporting material [~~delete: (e.g., a brief CV)~~]. A nomination form is available from the ISCA Secretary. [~~delete: Unlike the annual ISCA Medal, the Service Medal is exceptional and presented rarely, e.g., typically once a decade~~].

◆ Remove:

~~3.6 Each member will receive a copy of the membership directory for the appropriate calendar year as part of the annual ISCA CD-ROM.~~



ISCA Student Advisory Committee (ISCA-SAC)



Iona Gessinger
General Coordinator
Saarland University, Germany



Odette Scharenborg



Jasper Ooster
Event Coordinator
University of Oldenburg,
Germany



Gabriel Mittag
Media Coordinator



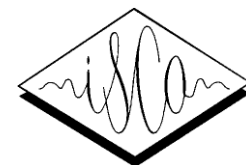
Berrak Sisman
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National University
of Singapore



Ravi Shankar Prasad
Advisor
IDIAP,
Switzerland

SAC Volunteers: Thomas Rolland (Portugal), Francisco Teixeira (Portugal), Mariana Julião (Portugal), Catarina Botelho (Portugal), William Brannon (USA), Nils Westhausen (Germany), Kätlin Aare (Estonia), Grandee Lee (Singapore), Haala Deeba Abbas (India)

Active Alumni: Yaru Wu (France), Harish-Chandra Dubey (USA), Angel Mario Castro Martinez (Germany)



ISCA @ INTERSPEECH 2020

ISCA SAC – Student Events

◆ Students & Young Scientist Travel Grants

- ◆ 121 awarded out of 143,
Registration fee + ISCA membership(+1 year) each

◆ Doctoral Consortium (DC)

- ◆ **Date:** October 24, 2020; 21:00 – 23:00 [Saturday, GMT+8]
- ◆ **ZOOM ID:** 63897246431

◆ Student Mentoring at INTERSPEECH-2020

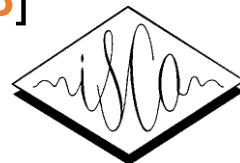
- ◆ **Date:** October 26, 2020; 21:45 – 22:45 [Monday, GMT+8]
- ◆ **ZOOM ID:** 64379849298

◆ ISCA General Assembly

- ◆ **Date:** October 27, 2020; 20:30 – 22:00 [Tuesday, GMT+8]
- ◆ **ZOOM ID:** 69735883904

◆ Students Meet Experts (SME)

- ◆ **Date:** October 28, 2020; 21:45 – 22:45 [Wednesday, GMT+8]
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ISCA: Conf. & Tech. Committees



INTERSPEECH Conferences



**Sebastian
Möller**



**Margaret
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**Bhuvana
Ramabhadran**

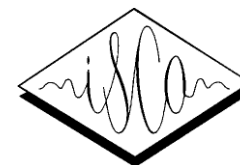


**Jianhua
Tao**



Hema Murthy

Technical Committee



ISCA Technical Committee

◆ **ISCA Technical committee** tc@isca-speech.org

◆ **ROLE:** TC provides technical continuity across Interspeech conferences, interfacing with Softconf (START system), conf. topics, maintains reviewer database

◆ **Committee Members:** (ISCA Board)

- ◆ Bhuvana Ramabhadran
- ◆ Jianhua Tao
- ◆ Hema A Murthy



(+ TC Members)

- ◆ Thomas Hain 2019
- ◆ Jianhua Tao 2020
- ◆ Lukas Burget 2021

◆ **Aims:**

- ◆ Advise TPC of INTERSPEECH on areas – new topics/sub areas
- ◆ Ensure IS reviewer pool is large; despite Covid19, IS-2020 avg. 3 reviews/paper
- ◆ Solicit Reviewers to the ISCA reviewers portal –
community must be diverse in terms of region, coverage, and languages.
- ◆ Add one-liners to Sub-Topics for a better match between reviewers and authors
- ◆ Actively Engages with IS Technical Committee (IS-2021 now);
- ◆ Update Area Lists; Choice Keynote Speakers; Ensure Diversity based on Gender and Region; Assistance for ACs, etc.

◆ **Reviewer Portal:**

* Support of Reviewer Base for ISCA

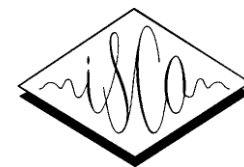


INTERSPEECH Risk Fund (IRF)



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



ISCA Key Dates 2020/21

- ◆ Bids for Interspeech 2024
 - ◆ Open **now**; Closing date **15th December 2020**
- ◆ ISCA Medal for Scientific Achievement 2021
& ISCA Service Medal 2021
 - ◆ Open **now**; Closing date **5th January 2021**
- ◆ ISCA Fellows 2021
 - ◆ Open **now**; Closing date **10th February 2020**
- ◆ ISCA Board 2021-2025
 - ◆ Open **1st January 2020**; Closing date **1st March 2021**
- ◆ Christian Benoît Award 2021
 - ◆ Open **1st February 2020**; Closing date **15th May 2021**



INTERSPEECH 2021

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**



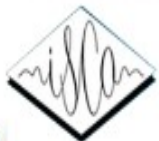
INTERSPEECH 2022

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Dublin, Ireland



Bids for INTERSPEECH 2024

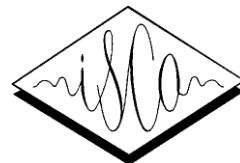
- ◆ **Bids** are invited for hosting INTERSPEECH 2024
- ◆ Please prepare a bid according to the **guidelines**:
www.isca-speech.org -> conferences -> guidelines,
including bid, bidding and budget template
- ◆ Please **approach us/email us** during
or after the conference
- ◆ **Deadline: Closing date 15th December 2020**



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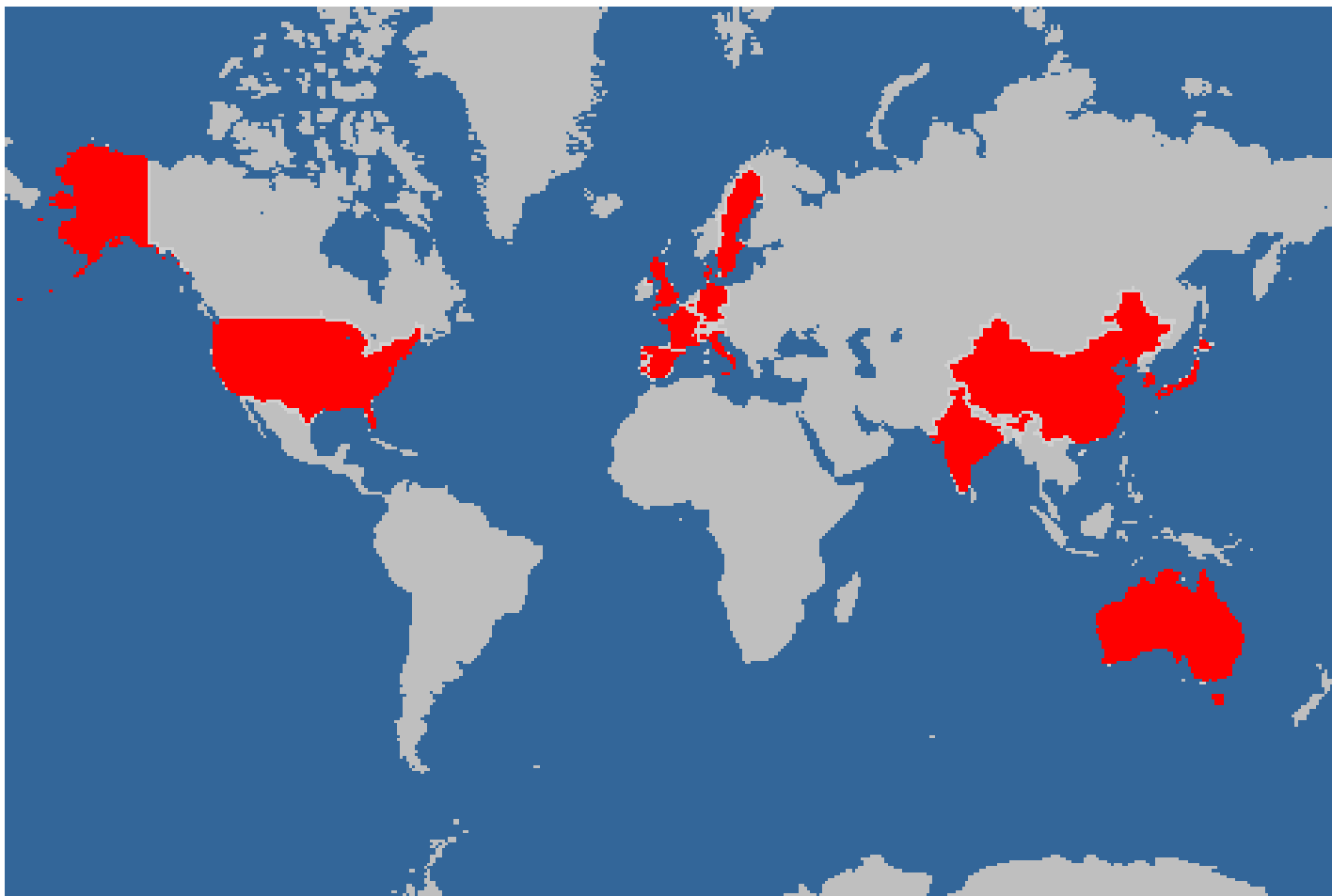


**Margaret
Zellers**



Bids for INTERSPEECH 2024!!!

◆ Places that have hosted INTERSPEECH:



Vote on President's Report

POLL 1 - GA Minutes

Question: Do you approve the ISCA General Assembly 2019 Minutes?

Answer:

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) Abstain

[POLL 2] - Approval of Reports

Question 1: Do you approve the ISCA Treasurer's Report?

Answer:

- a) Yes**
- b) No**
- c) Abstain**



Need to VOTE on
Treasurers Report

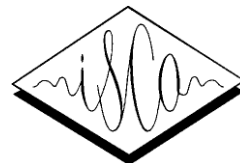
Question 2: Do you approve the ISCA President's Report?

Answer:

- a) Yes**
- b) No**
- c) Abstain**

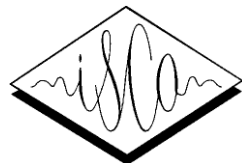


Need to VOTE on
Presidents Report



Agenda

- ◆ Future of ISCA & ISCA goals for 2020-2021 – discussion
- ◆ Comments, Suggestions and Questions from ISCA Members



Invitation to ISCA General Assembly Sept. 2021

On behalf of ISCA, we extend our invitation to all members to attend the next ISCA General Assembly:

Brno, Czech Republic, September, 2021

