

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

The 8th NBBC Conference 2021 will be organised fully virtually, we are happy to share with you the latest news about the event! We are glad to announce that three distinguished professors, **Prof. Susan Holmes** and **Prof. Persi Diaconis** from Stanford University, US and **Prof. Elja Arjas** from the University of Helsinki, Finland have agreed to be keynote speakers of the Conference. More about the scientific program of the conference can be found on the <u>conference website</u>.

Invited sessions: You will find an excellent invited speakers list and topics <u>here</u>.

Pre-conference course: We also are eager to share with you the program of 2-day pre-conference course **Graphical Models and Bayesian Networks (with R)**, which will be held by **Prof. Søren Højsgaard**, Department of Mathematical Sciences, Aalborg University, Denmark on the 3-4 June, 2021.

Abstract submission: The deadline for abstract submission is **April 15, 2021**! Be sure to submit your abstract before that date. <u>Submit your abstract here</u>.

Registration: Participation in the conference and in the pre-conference course are free for the members of the International Biometric Society (IBS). If you are not a member of IBS yet then please become a member today - more information on the membership of IBS from https://www.biometricsociety.org/membership/fees-renewals

If your region is Nordic-Baltic then you may apply your membership, no later than <u>15th May</u>, <u>2021</u> by sending an e-mail to member@ibsnbr.org Please include full name, affiliation and type of membership (regular, senior or student) in the e-mail.

Registration ends on May 30, 2021.

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