

SRA AROUND THE GLOBE: Denver, Singapore and Beyond...

Get ready for Denver! We are all looking forward to the 2014 Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado, known as the mile-high city. Meanwhile, this e-letter will remind you of SRA's many regional activities around the globe and throughout the year 2014, culminating in the Denver meeting on December 7-10, plus others coming up in 2015 as well – including the Fourth World Congress on Risk. Scroll down for a recap of major current items from the SRA News page and other locations. *Be sure to follow the links provided to get complete details as posted on our website at www.sra.org and elsewhere.*

Our 2014 Annual Meeting has adopted the theme of “Risk Analysis: The Common Denominator.” Risk analysis creates common ground for addressing environmental and public health issues facing us all today. **The deadline for submission of proposals for oral, poster and symposium presentations, as well as for workshop proposals, has been extended to June 4, 2014.** For complete details regarding all requirements, the best starting point is <http://www.sra.org/events/sra-2014-annual-meeting>, where you will find complete details including submission instructions for all types of contributions. See you all there!



Two new Risk Analysis Area Editors have recently been appointed. Terje Aven will serve as Area Editor for Policy, and Katherine von Stackelberg will serve as Area Editor for Ecological Risk Assessment. They replace outgoing Area Editors Alberto Alemanno and Wayne Landis, respectively. Link to SRA's flagship journal [here](#) to browse current issues.

Read about SRA Member and SRA-Latin America president elect **Elizabeth Nunes Alves** [here](#). Alves brings a wealth of diverse experience to the position, and is the subject of this issue's member profile. Her busy professional life still leaves time for family and hobbies!

SRA Specialty Group Activities recently featured on sra.org are summarized below. Browse the group sites regularly for the most recently emerging news of interest in your own interest areas.

- **Upstate New York SRA Risk analysis webinar series on shale gas extraction**, which began January 23, will continue through June 26. See more details on their web page [here](#), including valuable past presentation details as well as the full schedule for the series.
- Registration will open soon for the **Nanoscale Risk Analysis II Workshop on September 15-16, 2014, in Washington DC**. This workshop, organized by the Emerging Nanoscale Materials group, will explore how a multiple models approach can advance risk analysis of nanoscale materials. Plans for the workshop appear as an SRA News story [here](#); check the workshop site at www.srananoworkshop.org for additional details.
- The first in a planned series of activities organized around the idea of "**black swan**" **events** was held on February 20, 2014, at **the University of Stavanger, Norway**, and attracted around 80 attendees. Details, including summaries of the presentations at this initial workshop, can be found on the **Foundational Issues in Risk Analysis** site [here](#).



Looking ahead: We're busy! Mark your calendars for this impressive array of very important upcoming regional events:

- The 23rd **Annual Meeting of SRA-Europe** will be **June 16-18, 2014**, in Istanbul, Turkey, on the theme of "Analysis and Governance of Risks beyond Boundaries." Additional information, including online registration details, is available via the SRA-Europe website [here](#).
- **SRA-Asia** has announced its initial **Annual Meeting for August 20-23, 2014**. The meeting will take place in Taipei, Taiwan, on the theme of emerging risk governance in Asia. Registration and venue details are available on the conference website [here](#).
- Registration is also open for the **2014 Annual Meeting of SRA-Australia/New Zealand**, which will take place in Palmerston North, New Zealand, on August 26-27, 2014. Their theme is "Risk Beyond the Numbers," with plenary talks from well-

known risk communication specialist Peter Sandman and others. For details check out the conference website [here](#).

- This year's **SRA-Japan Annual Meeting** will take place on **November 28-30, 2014**, at Kyoto University. Their General Business meeting and Annual Symposium will be June 13, 2014, in Tokyo. For further details of both events as these emerge check [here](#).
- **SRA-Latin America** announces that the **Third Congress of the Latin American Society for Risk Analysis** will be held on **October 1-3, 2014**, on the theme of "Development and Risk in the Latin American Context." The meeting will be held jointly with the First National Conference on Urban Risk and will take place at the National University of Lanús in Argentina. For complete details in both Spanish and English, start [here](#).
- **SRA-China** has announced that the **5th International Conference on Risk Analysis and Crisis Response** will take place on **June 1-3, 2015**, in Tangier, Morocco, on the theme of emerging technologies, risk and development, and intelligent technology. Special session proposals are due August 1, 2014, and paper submissions by December 1, 2014. For complete further details go [here](#).
- The next **World Congress on Risk** has been scheduled for **July 19-23, 2015**, in Singapore. The Congress theme is "Risk Analysis for sustainable Innovation." Learn more [here](#), including details on how to send your ideas to the organizing committee.



Other announcements of note. See below for notices and events from outside SRA that may interest SRA members, with links to external sites for additional information.

- **The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), in collaboration with [Kid Risk, Inc.](#)**, were the winners of the 2014 Franz Edelman Award on March 31, 2014. The prestigious award is offered through the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences ([INFORMS](#)) for achievement in operations research and management science. Kid Risk's president is former SRA president Kimberly Thompson. Their winning work analyzed strategies for polio eradication. See our story about this award [here](#).

- **The Decision Analysis Society** will hold its **Advances in Decision Analysis conference** at Georgetown University in Washington, DC, on June 16-18, 2014. The conference program is now available on the DAS website [here](#).
- **The American Chemistry Council** has announced new principles for chemical hazard and risk assessment. According to the Council's release, the principles are designed to allow federal programs to make "more scientifically sound and timely" assessment. Their announcement, which provides additional links for more information, is posted at sra.org/news [here](#).

Did we miss your news? News and announcements can be published at sra.org on a continuous basis. The news editor welcomes your ideas and suggestions for items to be included on What's New at sra.org, on the linked News page, and in this e-letter. We are especially interested in publishing member commentary on risk-related issues, as well as reports that synthesize the results of workshops and other deliberations on risk. Nominations for member profile features are also always welcome. Contact the SRA news editor at newseditor@sra.org.