

## THIRD ISSUE

### A message from the Executive Editor

Welcome to the first issue of the second volume (third issue) of the Chilean Journal of Statistics (ChJS). The first volume of the ChJS had two numbers, published in April and September 2010. That volume paid tribute to a beloved Chilean statistician called Pilar Iglesias. Pilar was the main motivation for the Chilean editorial board to revive this journal; the relaunch of this publication was one of her dreams. The journal was dormant during ten years, since the old version of the ChJS, called *Revista de la Sociedad Chilena de Estadística*, was published in Spanish during 1984-2000.

Although the ChJS is published by the Chilean Statistical Society ([www.soche.cl](http://www.soche.cl)) and belongs to the Chilean statistical community, this journal can be recognized as an international publication since its editorial board is composed by colleagues from the five continents. Our editors are from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, France, Greece, Italy, Kenya, Mexico, Pakistan, Portugal, Spain, and USA.

In the first volume of the ChJS, articles of renowned international and Chilean statisticians were published, all of them connected in some way with Pilar ([www.soche.cl/chjs](http://www.soche.cl/chjs)). The two issues of that first volume were excellently handled by guest editors Rosangela H. Loschi and Márcia D. Branco from Brazil, and Eduardo Gutiérrez-Peña and Manuel Mendoza from Mexico.

This third issue of the ChJS has been a great challenge for the editorial board since it entails the publication of the first articles of a regular issue. Both the international and the Chilean members of the editorial board have worked very hard in order to reach the objective of publishing this first regular issue of the ChJS. This was not an easy task since the journal has only been alive for one year; it is practically a “baby-journal”. The production and handling of this issue was a great experience for me as Executive Editor of the ChJS. I feel so happy, proud and indebted for the excellent collaboration and constant support that I received from the editors and production team of the ChJS. Also, we would like to express our gratitude to the authors of the articles of this third issue for the nice papers they prepared. We also thank all of the expert referees from different countries of the world and associate editors that worked anonymously for the success of this new issue.

In addition to this presentation note, this issue comprises seven papers. Pranab K. Sen (the latest winner of the Wilks medal of the American Statistical Association), Ibrahim A. Salama and Dana Quade, from the University of North Carolina, USA, provide an interesting paper discussing asymptotics in applications, motivated by Spearman's footrule. José A. Díaz-García and Ramón Gutiérrez-Jáimez, from the Universidad Autónoma Agraria Antonio Narro, Mexico, and the Universidad de Granada, Spain, respectively, offer a nice note on zonal polynomials. George W. Cobb, from the Mount Holyoke College, USA, discusses some important tensions in teaching statistics, work on which he spilled all his wonderful experience on this topic. Amelia V. García-Luengo and Inmaculada Oña Casado, from the Universidad de Almería, Spain, present a sweet paper on sampling theory dealing with the estimation of the change of mean and the sum of means in sampling on two occasions under non-response. Muhammad Aslam, Chi-Hyuck Jun, Hyesoon Lee, Munir Ahmad and Mujahid Rasool, from Pakistan and the Republic of Korea, produce a useful paper on improved group acceptance sampling plans based on time-truncated life tests. Cecília Azevedo and Paulo E. Oliveira, from the Universidade do Minho and the Universidade de Coimbra, Portugal, respectively, introduce an insightful paper on the kernel estimation of a multivariate distribution function under positive dependence. Finally, Claudia Castro-Kuriss, from the Instituto Tecnológico de Buenos Aires and the Cámara de Medición de Audiencia, Argentina, proposes a beautiful paper about a goodness-of-fit test for censored data from a location-scale distribution.

On a final note, I would just like to thank the board of the Chilean Statistical Society, headed by its president, Manuel Galea, and composed by Ana Araneda, Gloria Icaza, Antonio Sanhueza, Irene Schiattino and Francisco Torres, as well as the former members of this board, Héctor Varela and María Paz Casanova, and also the Editor-in-Chief of the Chilean Journal of Statistics, Reinaldo Arellano, for the trust they deposited on me for being the Executive Editor of the Chilean Journal of Statistics. I am pleased and feel honored with this position.

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