issue he has arranged for Peter Hoff to write about the AMEN R package for looking at social network data. Shinichiro Shirota from Duke University will supervise the student's corner; he will continue the theme of 'student voices,' this quarter with a contribution from Olanrewaju Akande, a Nigerian statistician now studying at Duke. After years of dedicated service in the Student's corner, Isadora Antoniano has moved on to organising interviews with some of our most interesting members. The first is not quite ready, but is something to look forward to in June.

In addition to the regular sections and announcements, this issue contains three conference reports. If you need any help getting excited about the upcoming meeting in Sardinia, have a look at these for a vicarious experience of how enjoyable and intellectually stimulating getting together with other ISBA members can be.

Finally, I would like to thank the past editor Feng Liang and our past president Alexandra Schmidt who have been very helpful in setting up the new editorial team and producing this issue. As always, you are welcome to participate in the Bulletin by emailing suggestions/contributions to me or to any member of the Editorial Board.

NAMED LECTURES

THE BRUNO DE FINETTI LECTURE
- THE ISBA EXECUTIVE BOARD -

On the occasion of the 30th anniversary of his death, ISBA has decided to honor the revolutionary role of Bruno de Finetti (1906–1985) in Probability, Statistics and in interdisciplinary areas, by including a Bruno de Finetti Lecture at the ISBA 2016 World Meeting that will be held in Sardinia, Italy, from June 13th to June 17th, 2016. See the June 2015 issue of the ISBA Bulletin for an early announcement of the event.

We are now very proud to announce that the Bruno de Finetti Lecture will be one of the highlighted events also at future ISBA World Meetings. Indeed, an endowment fund of more than 30,000 USD has been collected by now and, according

to the ISBA bylaws, the proposed lecture is established as a permanent ISBA Named Lecture.

We would like to express our deep gratitude to the generous donors who have crucially contributed to the success of the initiative, namely: Department of Decision Sciences, Bocconi University; Department of Economics and Management and Department of Mathematics "Felice Casorati", University of Pavia; ESOMAS Department, University of Torino; DEAMS Department "Bruno de Finetti", University of Trieste; Collegio Carlo Alberto, Moncalieri; Fondazione "Franca e Diego de Castro", Torino. Those who still wish to contribute to the de Finetti Lecture fund, may do so through the dedicated website.

The first de Finetti Lecture will be delivered at the ISBA 2016 World Meeting by Persi Diaconis (Stanford University).

THE SUSIE BAYARRI LECTURE

ISBA is honoring the late Susie Bayarri for her work for Bayesian Statistics, ISBA, and particularly her support of junior researchers, with the Susie Bayarri Lecture at ISBA 2016. This is to be given by an outstanding young researcher under 35 years old. The 2016 lecture will be given by James Scott, Associate Professor in the McCombs Business school at the University of Texas, Austin (USA). A PhD graduate of Duke University, he is a

Savage award winner and recipient of a CAREER award from the US National Science Foundation. His methodological work includes Bayesian computation via data-augmentation, multiple testing, and Bayesian machine learning, with applications in fields ranging from neuroscience to astronomy.

ISBA hopes to make the Bayarri Lecture a permanent fixture of ISBA meetings; donations toward the required endowment can be made at https://bayesian.org/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=33.