

Call for Papers Anchoring Vignettes in Social Science Research 17th November 2010

The Royal Statistical Society is pleased to announce that it will host a meeting at RSS in London on the 17th November 2010, on the methodology and application of **Anchoring vignettes in social sciences**. The meeting will be jointly organised by the General Applications Section and the Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series A (Statistics in Society). The organisers are soliciting submissions that address this theme from its statistical foundations to its various applications in all sciences.

The aims of the meeting are:

- To bring together statisticians and scientists working in this rapidly developing area.
- To show how anchoring vignettes can deal with the issue of response endogeneity when using self-reported categorical variables.
- To demonstrate to interested non-statisticians the value of these approaches.
- To stimulate the submission of a set of papers suitable for publication in a themed issue of the Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series A.

Acceptance of a paper for presentation at the meeting will be conditional on production of a draft written version which adequately addresses any suggestions from a peer review process. This peer review (prior to the meeting) will form the start of the usual refereeing process for the Journal. It is the intention that papers will have the potential for publication in the Journal, although this will be subject to further review following the meeting.

PAPER SUBMISSION PROCEDURE:

- Abstract of not less than 500 words should be submitted by Friday, 15th January 2010 to Arnaud Chevalier (arnaud.chevalier@rhul.ac.uk)
- The organising committee (including Joint Editors of the Journal and appropriate Guest Editors) will inform authors by the end of January 2010 whether their proposal is accepted. The authors of the selected abstracts will be asked to provide a complete draft manuscript by **Friday**, 30th **April 2010**
- The submitted manuscripts will then be subject to peer review following the normal procedures of JRSS, Series A. After screening, papers not sent out to reviewers will not be invited to present at the conference. Decisions will be communicated by June 30th 2010
- Other submissions will receive review comments by the end of August 2010 and will be asked to produce the conference paper incorporating these comments by the end of October 2010.
- Authors should then submit a further version incorporating any revisions arising out of the meeting's discussion by **10th December 2010**.
- Revisions will then continue to follow the Journal's usual review process. Acceptance of a paper for presenting at the meeting is not a guarantee that the paper will be published in the Journal.

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