

International Division Newsletter (ASEE – ID)

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I. MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

**Join us for the 125rd Annual Conference & Exposition
Salt Lake City, Utah, June 23-28, 2018**



Dear International Division Members:

Spring Semester greetings. It is my pleasure to serve as your chair of the International Division (ID). I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all officers for their time and efforts and, especially Dr. Phil Sanger who has the responsibility of the division program chair.

1--- What is New in the Division:

- International Division NOW ACKNOLEGEES Best paper.
- International Division NOW ACKNOLEGEES Best Student's paper.
- International Division Networking Event
- President's Reception: International Division Posters
- International Forum under ID

International Division Best Paper Award;

The paper selected as best paper will receive a recognition certificate and an honorarium award. The selection is based on the scores given by the reviewers (the Review Committee members). The scores from the reviewer are added up to get the final result.

International Division Best Student Paper Award;

The student paper selected as best will receive a recognition certificate and an honorarium award. The selection is based on the scores given by the reviewers (the Review Committee members). The scores from the reviewer are added up to get the final result.

International Division Social Hour;

International Division has an international networking event. The event will be scheduled as we approach the annual conference. It will most likely be on Monday or Tuesday evening. Please check for details in the ASEE 2018 conference program.

Presidents Reception: International Division Posters;

Selected International Division Posters were chosen for presentation at the President's Reception.

International Forum comes under International Division;

Over the past year our division leaders have been working hard with the ASEE staff at the headquarters to bring the international forum within the international division. International Division is now an umbrella division over the International Forum (IF). Authors for IF are now submitting their papers to the ID division for the ASEE 2018 annual conference in Salt Lake City. We would like and are working on this to continue and become a permanent fixture/ situation.

Elections (refer to previous communications)

Nominations are being solicited for the two positions of program chair elect and the division chair elect for the upcoming year. The elections for the Program Chair Elect and the Division chair elect are being conducted during the spring 2018. Results will be out by end of May 2018.

2--- New Officers:

There were open positions in the international division for treasurer and also membership liason. During the 2017 International Division Business meeting in June held at Columbus Ohio the new officers for these two positions were announced. I have listed here the names, their titles, and emails for these two positions.

Dr. Anna Friesel; Treasurer; anfri@dtu.dk

Mr. Jose Quadrado; Membership officer; jcquadrado@netcabo.pt

3--- International Division Officers:

Below are the international division officers as of the conclusion of the ID business meeting in Columbus, Ohio.

- Dr. Nick Safai; Chair; nick.safai@slcc.edu
- Dr. Anna Friesel; Treasurer; anfri@dtu.dk
- Mr. Jose Quadrado; Membership officer; jcquadrado@netcabo.pt
- Dr. Phillip Albert Sanger; Program Chair; psanger@purdue.edu
- Dr. Eck Doerry; Web Master; eck.doerry@nau.edu
- Dr. Jan Helge Bøhn; bohn@vt.edu
- Ms. Mary L. Dawson; Newsletter Editor; dawson@iit.edu
- Dr. Eck Doerry; Past Chair; eck.doerry@nau.edu

I'm delighted to report that Phillip Sanger is already hard at work as 2017-2018 Conference program chair, and that the International Division will have 8 sessions at the ASEE conference and have __ papers.

I look forward to working with the board members and want to encourage anyone who would like to become a board member to let me know nick.safai@slcc.edu and plan to attend the International Division Board Meeting (TBA) during the 2016 ASEE Conference in New Orleans. The treasurer position is up for re-election, and we will need to elect a chair-elect. If you would like to nominate yourself or a colleague, please let me know. Together, we can make this division an active network and resource for internationalizing our curricula, sharing news, and educating global engineers.

New Benefit for International Division Members International Division members who wish to attend the June 25 International Forum and the ASEE conference (June 26-29) may receive an additional discount. Any ASEE member who registers for both (through April 4) will get a \$100 discount off the total. ASEE members who are International Division members and register for both the International Forum and the ASEE conference will get an additional \$25 discount. To receive the discount, register through the International Forum site <https://www.asee.org/public/conferences/69/registration/new>. Then you will see the option for forum+conference for division members. If you have already registered for both, please contact Stephanie Harrington s.harrington@asee.org to ask for help. Note: The discounts are available through April 4.

Help Wanted. Content Welcome. We want to highlight the publications, awards, and accomplishments of ID members in future newsletters and on the website. If you have news, an idea to contribute or want to start a discussion, please send it to Mary (dawson@iit.edu) with the subject ASEE ID newsletter. Eck needs help and content for the website (see the beta version at <https://sites.google.com/site/aseeintdiv> if it is not yet live on the ASEE site), and Phil needs moderators. If you have colleagues you want to invite to join our division, please have them contact me at nick.safai@slcc.edu or any of the division officers.

If you would like to become more active, there are many ways. We have some open positions on the board: I would welcome your suggestions for the following officer positions which are appointed by the chair.

Finally I would like to invite you and your colleagues to plan now to attend the **123rd Annual Conference & Exposition in New Orleans, Louisiana, June 26-29, 2016 (and June 25 International Forum)**. See <https://www.asee.org/conferences-and-events/conferences/annual-conference/2016>

Thank you for your support.
Nick Safai, PhD: ID Division Chair

II. WEBMASTER'S REPORT

I've corresponded with Mary and Nick recently, and just wanted to touch base with you all. After an unexpectedly difficult summer...and, in fact, an incredibly overloaded last year as we started up our new School and Phd program...I'm back in service as the ID webmaster.

To catch up, I jumped in and invested some hours in getting our new ASEE-hosted website all set up and populated with information. You might recall that I had had time to get the basic shell of it set up last Christmas right after ASEE announced the new service, but then ran out of free time; the navigation theme was setup and our logo installed, but that was it. Over the summer, Mary was able to get one of her students to fill in a few more bare basics as a stop-gap measure, but most of the sections were still the "default" setup.

I have now revised the entire site. As a model, I used the website that I had built as a Google Site near the end of my tenure as ID Chair, and we had gotten a round of feedback from membership on it (generally positive). So I went ahead and used that as the model, e.g., for the menu structure and the page content.
<https://sites.asee.org/international/>

Please have a look at the site, and let me know your thoughts. With everything finally set up, it should be fairly quick and easy for me to make additions and changes. Indeed, I believe that all of you also have editing privileges, which is super in case I am not able to take care of some request in a timely fashion...or get hit by the proverbial bus.

I noted while fleshing out and updating the "Officers" page that we have unfilled openings for Vice-Chair and for Program-Chair-elect...and that those terms are expiring after this year. Recall that the strategy for these "-elect" positions was so that the persons in them have at least a year to "shadow" the Chair and Program Chair, respectively, to learn the ropes before taking over. So it would be very good for us to fill them! The positions of Nominating Committee Chair and Awards committee Chair are also open...but they've been open for awhile, and seem quite a bit less critical.

Finally, a big "welcome!" to Anna and Jose. Thank you for volunteering to serve on the Intl. Division team, and I look forward to meeting you in person...perhaps in Salt Lake City next summer.

Best regards, Eck.

II. PROGRAM CHAIR'S REPORT - 2016 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

ConferenceYear	Abstracts submitted	Abstracts accepted	Papers submitted	Papers finalized
2017	65	53	39	34
2016	67	48	23	23

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The program chair would like to thank all ID members who submitted papers as well as those who served as paper reviewers and as session moderators in 2015, and those who are and will serve in 2016.

III. PIC IV 2017 BEST PAPER COMPETITION

The International Division is part of Professional Interest Council (PIC) IV, and was invited to submit the best paper from our division to the PIC IV paper competition. We are pleased to announce that “-----” by ----- and -----, ----- University, was selected for the **Best Paper Award** from among all of the divisions in PIC IV.

This paper will be featured in a special distinguished lecture session at the 2016 Annual Conference that highlights the best papers from each of the PICs and Zones. The complete list of winning papers from the 2015 Annual Conference is available online at: <https://www.asee.org/conferences-and-events/conferences/annual-conference/2016/program-schedule/2015-best-paper-award-winners>

IV. PAST DIVISION CHAIR’S REPORT

2014-15 Chair Eck Doerry polled the International Division membership in March 2015 and provided a PowerPoint summary of key findings for the June 2015 International Division Meeting, Here’s a sample:

For the question: To be most useful to me personally as a member, the ASEE International Division should **prioritize** its limited energies as follows:

1. Work to refine/improve the sessions we sponsor at the ASEE Annual Conference. (67, 10, 12.5, 10)
2. Work on the newsletter! (10, 47, 37, 5)
3. Work on the Intl. Division Website (12, 30, 37, 20)
4. What would really be interesting to me is something else. (10, 12, 12, 65)

After analyzing responses, Eck distilled some **concrete ideas**:

- At least one panel on new developments or best practices
- Try to get a distinguished speaker at Annual Conference
- More focus on internationalization pedagogy vs. show-‘n-tell if possible
- Revamp the website. Must be easily updatable, non-private server.
- Publish newsletter on website. Send out digest email with links to the website version
- Make it obvious and easy to submit newsletter items.
- Add various special interest sections to website

Check out the beta version of the International Division website here <https://sites.google.com/site/aseeintdiv> if it is not yet live on the ASEE site.

V. Other News

Connect: ASEE International has a LinkedIn group and a new website
<http://international.asee.org/>

Grants for US Undergrads to Study Abroad in Asia. The Institute of International Education (IIE) has announced the relaunch of the Freeman Foundation Awards to help 400 American undergraduates study in East or Southeast Asia for a semester or year. The amount of the depend on the length of stay—(\$3,000 for summer; \$5,000, semester; \$7,000 for a year. Application deadlines are March 1, 2016 for summer and April 1 for Fall/Academic Year.
<http://www.iie.org/en/Programs/Freeman-ASIA>

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