

KSS2014 was held in Sapporo during November 1-2, 2014

ISKSS Welcome to KSS2015, Xi'an, September 24-26, 2015

The annual event of the International Society for Knowledge and Systems Sciences (ISKSS, one IFSR member organization), the 15th International Symposium on Knowledge and Systems Sciences, was held in Sapporo during November 1-2, 2014. The venue of KSS2014 is located in the School of Information Science and Technology, University of Hokkaido. Over 40 participants from China mainland, Hong Kong SAR China, Japan and UK attended KSS2014. There are 3 keynote speeches, "Knowledge Management in Economic Forecasting" by Professor Shouyang Wang (CAS Academy of Mathematics and Systems Science, China), "Computational Semantics in Knowledge Engineering" by Professor Rossi Setchi (Cardiff University, UK) and "Service Ecosystems Innovation in Multi-level Adaptive Cycles Model Perspective" by Professor Kyoichi Kijima (Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan), together with 8 parallel sessions covering topics on data management, decision analysis, information / knowledge strategy, knowledge management, knowledge science, service science, service systems, and socio-technical systems. During the symposium, the council meeting of ISKSS chaired by Professor Shouyang Wang (AMSS-CAS, ISKSS president during 2008-2014) was also held during 12:40-13:40 of November 1, 2014. Professor Jian Chen (Tsinghua University, China) was elected as the new president of the society. With Professor Yanzhong Dang (Dalian University of Technology), Kyoichi Kijima (Tokyo Institute of Technology), Professor Marek Makowski (IIASA) and Professor Gerald Midgley (University of Hull) are still serving as vice presidents of the society, Professor Tiejun Ma (East China University of Science and Technology) A/Professor Van Nam Huynh (JAIST), A/Professor Mina Ryoike (Tsukuba University), Professor Xijin Tang (CAS Academy of Mathematics and Systems Science), Professor Jiangning Wu (Dalian University of Technology) and Professor Taketoshi Yoshida (JAIST) are nominated as new vice presidents. A pre-symposium themed Knowledge Synthesis and Justification was held on October 30, 2014. More details can be found at <http://www.jaist.ac.jp/KSS/KSS2014/>



*Professor Shouyang Wang (ISKSS President) gave a lecture*



*Professor Rossi Setchi gave a keynote speech*



*Professor Kyoichi Kijima replied a question from Professor Jiifa GU*

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*ISKSS council meeting*



*Group photo taken after all activities*

After discussions, KSS2015 will be held in Xi'an during September 24-26, 2015. The local host is School of Economics and Management, Xidian University (<http://en.xidian.edu.cn/info/1042/1089.htm>). There will be a celebration of the 20th anniversary of the KSS former event, the China-Japan-UK Workshop on Systems Methodology originated by scholars mainly from CAS Institute of Systems Science, Konan University and University of Hull in the mid of 1990s.

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