

Programme for the

**8th International BLAISE Users Conference**

Copenhagen, May 21st - 23rd, 2003

Wednesday, May 21st

- 8:30 - 9:30      **Registration**
- 9:30 - 10:30    **Opening session**  
*Chair: Leif Bochis, Statistics Denmark*  
**Welcome from the chairman of IBUG**  
*Vesa Kuusela, Statistics Finland*  
**Information Infrastructure for Society: A New Era of Data Capture**  
*Lars Thygesen, Statistics Denmark*  
**Introduction of Computer Assisted Data Collection in an old survey organisation**  
*Hans Bay, SFI-SURVEY, Denmark*
- 10:30 - 11:00    **Break**
- 11:00 - 12:15    **Metadata And Automatic Generation of Blaise Datamodels**  
*Chair: Sal Gara, Statistics Canada*  
**Survey Generator**  
*Carlo Vreugde and Jacques de Groot, VNG/SGBO/StimulansZ, The Netherlands*  
**Blaise Questionnaire Text Editor (Qtxt)**  
*Grayson Mitchell, Statistics New Zealand*  
**Automatic Upgrade of Production Blaise Instruments**  
*Lilia Filippenko, Joseph Nofziger and Gilbert Rodriguez, RTI International*
- 12:15 - 13:15    **Lunch**
- 13:15 - 15:00    **Standards for design, user interfaces etc.**  
*Chair: Lon Hofman, Statistics Netherlands*  
**Screen Layout Standards at Statistics Finland**  
*Vesa Kuusela, Survey Research Unit, Statistics Finland*  
**Developing and updating screen layout and design standards**  
*Rebecca Gatward, Social Survey Division (SSD) of the Office for National Statistics*  
**Developing an optimal screen layout for CAI**  
*Fred Wensing, David Finlay, Jane Barresi, Australian Bureau of Statistics*  
**Screen Design Guidelines for Blaise Instruments**  
*Sue Ellen Hansen, Survey Research Center, University of Michigan*
- 15:00 - 15:30    **Break**
- 15:30 - 16:20    **Design of Web Questionnaires**  
*Chair: Bill Connett, University of Michigan*  
**Developing CASI standards at Statistics Netherlands**  
*Frans Kerssemakers, Statistics Netherlands*  
**Methodological Guidelines for Designing Blaise Web Surveys**  
*Jelke Bethlehem and Adriaan Hoogendoorn, Free University of Amsterdam*

**Thursday, May 22nd**

9:00 - 10:15

**Applications of Blaise**

*Chair: Vesa Kuusela, Statistics Finland*

**Displaying Chinese Characters In Blaise**

*Gina-Qian Y. Cheung and Youhong Liu, University of Michigan*

**The usage of Blaise in an integrated application for the New Births Sample Survey in CATI mode**

*Massimiliano Degortes, Stefania Macchia, Manuela Murgia, Istat, Italy*

**Blaise at Statistics Netherlands**

*Marien Lina, CBS Heerlen*

10:15 - 10:45

**Break**

10:45 - 12:00

**Data Quality and Testing**

*Chair: Jim O'Reilly, Westat*

**Analyzing Audit Trail Data in the 2002 National Survey on Drug Use and Health**

*Michael Penne and Jeanne Snodgrass, RTI and Peggy Barker, SAMHSA*

**A Random Walk Application for Blaise Instruments**

*Gilbert Rodriguez and Jay R. Levinsohn, RTI International*

**First steps along the Audit Trail**

*Tim Burrell, Office for National Statistics, UK*

12:00 - 13:00

**Lunch**

13:00 - 14:00

**Post-processing and Tabulation (Blaise API)**

*Chair: Mark Pierzchala, Mathematica*

**Creating Code to Convert Blaise to ASCII for SAS Input (Using the Blaise API within Visual Basic)**

*Roger Schou, National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), USDA*

**Extracting data from a large instrument using the API**

*Lois Steinfeldt, ARS, USDA*

14:00 - 14:30

**Break**

14:30 - 16:00

**Blaise Team Presents**

16:50 - ???

**Social arrangement**

**Friday, May 23rd**

9:00 - 10:15

**Multi mode surveys, Survey Management**

*Chair: Lars Pedersen, Statistics Denmark*

**A Demonstration of the 'Multiple Application Interface' with Blaise and Visual Basic**  
*Jim Hagerman and Hemant Kannan, The University of Michigan*

**Electronic Data Reporter**

*Gerrit de Bolster, Statistics Netherlands*

**Integration of CAPI and CATI infrastructures at Statistics Canada**

*Jacqueline Mayda, Operations Research and Development Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, Canada*

10:15 - 10:45

**Break**

10:45 - 12:00

**CATI and Organizational Issues**

*Chair: Tony Manners, ONS, UK*

**Blaise CATI at Mathematica**

*Leonard Hart, Linda Bandeh, Doug Dougherty, and Carlo Caci, Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. USA*

**CATI Survey Management System**

*Leif Bochis, Statistics Denmark*

**Interactive training for the interviewers using Blaise**

*Hilde Degerdal, Statistics Norway*

12:00 - 13:00

**Lunch**

13:00 - 14:30

**Paper Forms and Blaise**

*Chair: Leif Bochis, Statistics Denmark*

**Blaise for post-collection data editing - Building system for editing data entered from paper forms**

*Pavle Kozjek, Statistical Office of Slovenia*

**The melting pot, practical experience of scanning paper forms**

*Marianne Troelsen and Lars Pedersen, Statistics Denmark*

**Lessons learned on the development of the Unified Enterprise Survey**

*Rock Lemay, Statistics Canada*

14:30 - 15:00

**Break**

15:00 - 16:00

**IBUG Plenary Meeting**

**Poster sessions**

**Using non-Latin alphabets in Blaise**

*Rob Groeneveld, Statistics Netherlands*

**The American Time Use Survey Data Collection Instrument**

*Karen Bagwell and David Altvater, US Bureau of the Census*

**Automated dialers for CATI systems**

*Dan J. Bernard, Marketing Systems Group, USA*