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Letter from the IEA President

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Dear Council Members,

I am delighted to provide our July Letter to members of the IEA Federated Societies. The IEA Executive Committee have now circulated all the materials for the meeting in Boston. We are very grateful for the assistance provided by Liberty Mutual, particularly Ian Noy and Lynda Adler in making the arrangements for the IEA.

1. Passing of Two Eminent IEA members

It is with much sorrow that I announce the passing of two of our esteemed members from the USA this month.

Cheryl Bennett

Cheryl has been the Chair of the IEA Technical Committee Ergonomics for Children and Educational Environments and been a major driver of research and activity in this area of our domain. She was also a very strong supporter of women in ergonomics and devoted advocate of ergonomics in her work in Livermore, USA. Cheryl was only 56 when she passed away this month whilst on holidays in Oregon with her husband Charles and daughter Caitlin. They had been spending quality time with her family when she passed away after relaxing in a sauna. Cheryl will also be remembered for her bright personality and love of music and dance which she shared with her family.

Ted Brown

Ted has been one of the most eminent researchers in the USA who passed away this month from a heart condition at the age of 80 years. Ted is survived by his wife Alyce and two daughters, Linda and Marsha. Ted was an international leader in Macroergonomics and Participatory ergonomics and will be greatly missed for his drive and leadership. In 1996, in collaboration with Hal Hendrick and others, he organized a very successful conference on ODAM in Breckenridge, USA. Ted was an IEA fellow.

2. IEA Healthcare Systems Ergonomics and Patient Safety Conference 2008

The planning for the Second IEA conference on Healthcare Systems Ergonomics and Patient Safety (HEPS) is now well underway. Please visit the conference website - <http://www.heps2008.org/>. The conference is sponsored by IEA and co-organized by the Italian Ergonomics Society, the SELF and the German Ergonomics Society. The co-conference Chairs are Riccardo Tartaglia and Sara Albolino from the Italian Ergonomics Society.

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Each Federated IEA Society is requested to include a link to this site onto its own websites and to promote the conference within its own country. The deadline for abstract submission for HEPS 2008 is 30th November 2007. The electronic submission will be available from September. The conference committee is also keen to identify potential sponsors for this conference with interests in the Healthcare industry.

3. New Chairpersons for IEA Technical Committees

The Chair of the IEA Science technology and Practice Standing Committee, Halimahtun Khalid has been very busy over the last month inviting and appointing new Chairs to many of the 22 IEA Technical Committees.

I would like to congratulate and thank the following members who have accepted the leadership role in their area of the ergonomics domain.

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4. Planning for the 2007 IEA Council meeting, Boston, USA

The IEA Secretary General, Pascale Carayon, has now emailed out the information to delegates for the Council meeting in Boston next month. This included all the information for the Council members on the agenda and voting items. If you did not receive this information and plan to attend can you please email her at carayon@engr.wisc.edu

The Council meeting will be held on August 25 and 26 at the Liberty Mutual laboratories at Hopkinton outside Boston. All Council members are invited to a Welcome reception at the Liberty Mutual laboratories on the Friday evening prior to the Council meeting (August 24). Please plan your travel to Boston to enable leaving the Sheraton hotel by 4pm on a bus for this function. This function will be used for introductions of Council members. We propose not to conduct the time consuming Round Table session at the start of the Council meeting. This will enable us more time for the actual Council agenda discussions.

The Council dinner will be held this year at the Cheers restaurant in Boston made famous for be the TV show filmed at this location.

The timing of this meeting was to coincide with the PREMUS conference on Prevention of Work-Related Musculoskeletal Disorders. Further information can be found at: www.premus2007.org It is also a pleasure to see that the new IEA technical Committee on Slips, Trips and Falls will be hosting a conference in Boston prior to the meeting as well. For further information, please contact the following email: STF2007@LibertyMutual.com.

5. IEA Conference on Ergonomics in Agriculture, AEDEC 2007

Visit www.aedec2007.org - Ultimate Reminder for Proposals

The **Agriculture Ergonomics Development Conference, AEDeC 2007**, will be held at the Hotel Istana, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from **25-29 November 2007**.

AEDeC 2007 is the first event where the IEA collaborates with the ILO, ICOH, WHO and NIOSH in discussing interdisciplinary applications for the primary industry.

AEDeC is also the first conference where practitioners and researchers discuss practical solutions for use in the agricultural sector, especially for the developing countries.

The AEDeC conference is co-organised by Damai Sciences and Universiti Putra Malaysia, on behalf of the International Ergonomics Association.

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Events held in conjunction with AEDeC 2007 include:

- **Workshop on Ergonomics Checkpoints in Agriculture**, 25-26 November. Learn how the checkpoints can add value to your organisation and management of the workplace.
- **Tutorial on MSD analysis and prevention methods**, 26 November. Learn about new methods and tools for use in agriculture.
- **Technical visit to agriculture plantations**, 28 November. Experience the real work settings in selected sites.
- **Practitioner and Vendor Demonstrations**, 29 November. Discuss your experiences and showcase your ergonomics products for agriculture use.

If you have yet to submit a proposal, please **HURRY** as the ultimate deadline is **July 31, 2007**. Your **FULL** paper proposal must be in English.

Register online at www.aedec2007.org.

6. First Ergonomist to receive the top international award in Engineering

Gavriel Salvendy, professor of Industrial Engineering at Purdue University and Chair Professor and Head of the Department of Industrial Engineering at Tsinghua University, Beijing, P.R. China, received the 2007 John Fritz Medal from the American Association of Engineering Societies for fundamental, international, and seminal leadership and technical contributions to the human engineering and industrial engineering education, theory, and practice. This award, established in honor of John Fritz in 1902, is the engineering professions' highest award. Salvendy joins such past recipients as Lord Kelvin, Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Edison, Alfred Nobel and Orville Wright. Salvendy is the first ergonomist to ever receive this award.

The American Association of Engineering Societies is a multidisciplinary organization of engineering societies dedicated to advancing the knowledge, understanding, and practice of engineering. Members represent engineers in industry, government, and academia.

Salvendy's areas of research involve human factors and ergonomics, and human aspects of information technology. Salvendy, who is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, is the founding editor of two scientific journals: the International Journal on Human-Computer Interaction and Human Factors and Ergonomics in Manufacturing.

The IEA recognize and congratulate Gavriel for this latest of many awards given for his contribution to ergonomics.

We look forward to providing further IEA activity information in the next letter during August 2007.

Yours sincerely,

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IEA President

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