

## **Extraordinary contest for IASI Award for Excellence**

Taking into account the special circumstances that in 2015 a World Statistics Congress (WSC), organized by the International Statistical Institute (ISI) (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, July 26-31, 2015) will take place in our region, the Executive Committee of the Inter-American Statistical Institute (IASI) has decided to convene an extraordinary contest for the IASI Award for Excellence.

As indicated in Article IX of the IASI Bylaws, which can be found at the website of the Institute (<http://www.contraloria.gob.pa/inec/IASI/presentation.html>), the IASI Award for Excellence (hereinafter referred to as "IASI Award") is aimed at identifying and recognizing new talents in the area of Statistics in the American region, to attract their attention towards the Institute, stimulate their action in favor of statistical development in the region, and facilitate the dissemination of relevant work of young statisticians

The bases, conditions and submission ways for the IASI Award regular contests are in Article IX of IASI Bylaws. However, in the case of this extraordinary contest the winner will receive, in addition, free registration to 60th WSC and, if he or she does not reside in the Rio de Janeiro area, will also receive a round-trip air ticket between his (her) place of residence and Rio de Janeiro, and a reasonable allowance for accommodation and meals for the days of the Congress.

Submission of the papers shall be made up to 16 February 2015, and must be sent by email to [fabpan@cwpanama.net](mailto:fabpan@cwpanama.net). The format should be the one applied for submissions to the journal *Estadística*, which can be requested from the Executive Editor of the journal, Lic. Verónica Beritich ([vberitich@yahoo.com](mailto:vberitich@yahoo.com)) or from the Executive Director of IASI Prof. Evelio O. Fabbroni ([fabpan@cwpanama.net](mailto:fabpan@cwpanama.net)). The papers may be presented in any of the official languages of IASI, which are: Spanish, Portuguese, English and French.

In presenting their candidacy, the candidate has to provide information on his (her) place of residence.

The Contest Commission, responsible for the decisions on dissemination, evaluation and granting of the Award, is composed of distinguished statisticians, members of IASI and/or ISI.

The results of the contest will be announced on April 15, 2015, and the award will be presented at the 60th WSC ISI Awards Ceremony.