

## **Summary**

### **AIS COUNCIL MEETING**

**December 8-9, 2017**

**Meeting Room: Apollo in the COEX Convention Center  
Seoul, Korea**

#### Reports from Council Members

Reports of quarterly activities from Council members were provided. Council member reports represented activities of President, President Elect, Immediate Past President, Treasurer, Executive Director, VP Education, VP Meetings & Conferences; ICIC Representative, VP Member Services & Chapters, VP Publications, VP SIGS & Colleges, VP Student Chapters, VP Technology, Region 1 Representative, Region 2 Representative, and Region 3 Representative.

#### Council Actions and Approvals

- AIS 2017 Draft Audited Financial Statements
- Deactivation of SIGMAS (Modeling & Simulation)
- Replacement of Projectors
- AIS Participation in the IS 2010 Revision
- AIS Participation in the Computing Curricula (CC) 2020 Project
- AMCIS 2018 budget
- ICIS 2018 budget
- Establishment of a Diversity & Inclusion Standing Committee
- Use of Higher Logic event manager software system
- Announcement: Maung Sein, Agder University has been appointed as the chair of the AIS Research Conduct Committee (RCC).

#### Strategic Discussion

- Council discussed AIS governance and conference governance.
  - The first session of discussion included (1) what AIS does well with conferences and how to help AIS conferences be even better and even more consistent across

conferences over time; (2) differences among members across the globe and how AIS can best meet the needs of diverse groups; (3) the value proposition of the AIS offerings to members e.g., conferences, e-library and publications; and (4) the need for longer term continuity across offerings. Finally, a possible future organization chart for AIS was discussed that includes an academic executive director with a non-academic chief operating officer.

- O The second session of discussion included (1) AIS objectives for holding conferences; (2) reasons people attend conferences (from AIS survey); and how to best ensure continued unity between these two sets of reasons/objectives. Ideas centered around the following: (1). different types of conferences (global, large regional and smaller subject/chapter focused conferences); (2) possibility of workshops and topical conferences and (3) how to recover costs/gain economies of scale for a variety of conference types.
- O The third and final session of discussion included major issues AIS is facing with conference offerings including risk management and contingency planning, increasing risks in global locations, balance of global and local organizations, escalating costs of conferences with shrinking university travel budgets. Discussion also addressed how to provide continuity from year to year while having diversity on conference committees and how to build conference leadership.