

Sixth Annual Meeting of the Latinamerican Chapter of the System
Dynamics Society
Santiago de Chile, 22 - 25 of october 2008

The conference

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the Latinamerican Chapter has been held in Santiago de Chile and Viña del Mar on October 22nd through 25th. The organizing universities were Universidad de Talca, Universidad Adolfo Ibañez, Universidad Diego Portales and Universidad Andrés Bello.

The attendees are described in the following table:

	<i>Academic/Professional</i>	<i>Graduate</i>	<i>Undergraduate</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Argentina</i>	4			4
<i>Bolivia</i>			1	1
<i>Brazil</i>	1	1		2
<i>Chile</i>	8	2	14	24
<i>Colombia</i>	7	6	5	18
<i>Spain</i>	2			2
<i>Peru</i>	7	1	4	12
<i>USA</i>	1			1
Total	30	10	24	64

As a by-product, the Chilean group has now a sufficient number to plan a local seminary for 2009.

The five best ranked papers have been reviewed separately and edited for a special number of the “Revista de Dinámica de Sistemas”, available on-line at http://dinamicasistemas.otalca.cl/6_Publicaciones/Revista/Vol4Num2/RDS_Vol4_Num2.html). The full proceedings have been handed out to attendees on a memory-stick and will later be released on the web-site. Additionally, about 6 hours of presentations have been captured on digital video and will be edited as a DVD-pack.

The scientific committée has been confirmed by

- Martín Schaffernicht: Universidad de Talca (martin@otalca.cl)
- Martín Kunc: Adolfo Ibañez (martin.kunc@uai.cl)
- Juan Pablo Torres: Diego Portales (jpablo.torres@udp.cl)
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Chapter business meeting

A brief report was given on Spanish language material produced or finished during the last 12 months:

- a collaborative volume on system dynamics on the Internet;
- an electronic system dynamics textbook by Martín Schaffernicht (Ed. Universidad de Talca, 2008);
- the spanish translation of Diane Fisher’s mathematics lessons (ISEE Systems)

The members designed Martín Schaffernicht as chapter representative for the next 12 months. Samuel Prieto will take charge of the chapter’s webpage on the society’s website.

Hugo Andrade (Colombia) reported from the preparation for the Seventh Annual Meeting, which will take place in Santa Marta (Colombia) next november, together with the annual meeting of the Colombian System Dynamics Community.

Brazil, Peru and Spain are interested in hosting the upcoming Latinamerican Meetings. We are happy to cover these countries and will use the society's criteria to orient the candidatures.

The spanish language "Revista de Dinámica de Sistemas" will submit to the LATINDEX database in order to gain scientific value.

We also informed about the society's new fee structure and strongly recommended to everybody that they should become full members.

It was suggested that the Latinamerician Chapter may have its own member directory to facilitate networking.

Attendees

The following table resumes essential information about attendees. More information is available in the attached spreadsheet (Members_CLADS_29_10_2008.xls)

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