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As a result of the Affiliate- and Newsletter Survey conducted last year, IFAC currently has a database of roughly 1.800 entries. A thorough analysis of the replies we got from our Affiliates shows a considerable degree of satisfaction with the services we offer. What was particularly appreciated was the List of Forthcoming Events, published on a regular basis. As a consequence to some suggestions we got, we started to add e-mail, fax- and telephone numbers, to make communication between organizers and potential participants even easier. To our NMOs, i.e. the organizers of IFAC events, IFAC provides lists of addresses according to keywords, thus making it easier for them to reach the control engineers interested in the scope of the meeting they are organizing.

For your information, we publish our list of keywords below, giving the number of entries per keyword. Please contact us if you have not registered your fields of interest and wish to do so.

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IFAC Symposium Adaptive Systems in Control and Signal Processing - ACASP '95		Budapest Hungary	1 Oct. 1994	Dr. G. Hencsey, Computer and Automation Institute, HAS, POB 63 H-1518 Budapest 112, Hungary e-mail: h103hen@ella.hu
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IFAC Conference Intelligent Autonomous Control in Aerospace	August 14 – 16	Beijing China, P.R.	30 Sept. 1994	Prof. Guang-Rui Zou Chairman of BICE POB 2729 Beijing 100080, China, P.R. FAX +861/254 3110
UNESCO/IEEE/IFAC Intl. Conf. Recent Advances in Mechatronics	August 14 – 16	Istanbul Turkey	17 April 1995	Prof. Okyay Kaynak Bogazici University, Dept. of EE UNESCO Chair on Mechatronics 80815 Bebek - Istanbul Turkey FAX +90/212/257 50 30 e-mail: kaynak@vs6410.cc.boun.edu.tr

Economic Time Series Analysis and Systems Identification IFAC Workshop

Vienna, Austria, July 1-3, 1992

The workshop was organized to bring together researchers working in systems identification and time series analysis in a variety of different and partly completely separate disciplines, including in particular engineering, econometrics and statistics, in order to improve communication and enhance cross fertilization. The idea was that mutual understanding and discussions, concerning basic ideas, theories, methods, software and applications may contribute towards the further development of the subject.

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is now available from the IFAC Secretariat. If you have marked that you wish to receive the Brochure on the Affiliate Registration Card, you will receive your copy in the near future. Copies will automatically be sent to all NMOs and IFAC Officials, or can be requested from the Secretariat by fax, e-mail or letter.

IFAC Publications

As of January this year, the IFAC publications business has been transferred to Elsevier Science Ltd, which is henceforth the official publisher of all IFAC publications, i.e. Postprint Volumes, Proceedings, the Journals *Automatica* and *Control Engineering Practice*, the IFAC Affiliated Journals and the Multilingual Dictionary of Automatic Control. The 'Pergamon' imprint on all IFAC publications will be preserved. The address of Elsevier Science Ltd is as follows:

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WHO IS WHO IN IFAC



Prof. Walter Schaufelberger IFAC Treasurer

Walter Schaufelberger was born in 1940. He obtained his basic engineering education in the Electrical Engineering Department of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) in Zurich from 1961 to 1968 with a PhD in the area of adaptive control with former IFAC President Prof. Dr. E. Gerecke. After a one-year period as lecturer at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, he became Assistant Professor at ETH in 1972 with promotions to Associate Professor in 1977 and to Full Professor in 1982.

He is specially interested in many different aspects of the wide field of Control Engineering covering both theory and practical applications and using computers for the design and implementation of control systems.

He was responsible for a major ETH-project for the integration of computers into the teaching process in all departments from 1986 to 1991. He is currently holding the position of Prorektor für Normalstudien with administrative duties for undergraduate affairs.

From 1984 to 1987 he was chairman of the Education Committee of IFAC and from 1987 to 1990 he was chairman of the Working Group on Teachware for Control'. At the General Assembly in July 1993, Professor Schaufelberger was elected Treasurer of

Informal Meeting of the IFAC Officers

Laxenburg, Austria March 12 - 14, 1994

As always after a World Congress, a slightly changed group of participants gathered at the Secretariat premises in Laxenburg, IFAC President Dr. S. Kahne coordinated the informal discussions. Further present were Prof. Y.Z. Lu, President-Elect, Prof. B.D.O. Anderson, Past President, Prof. V. Kucera, Chairman of the Technical Board, Prof. P. Albertos, Chairman of the Executive Board, Prof. W. Schaufelberger, Treasurer and Dr. G. Hencsey, Secretary, Prof. Kucera, Prof. Albertos and Prof. Schaufelberger were in Laxenburg for the first time in their respective new functions. This meeting, among others, offers the opportunity for an informal exchange of opinions, but first and foremost to come together at the IFAC Secretariat premises and to have the possibility to meet representatives of the Austrian authorities (Austrian Ministry of Research and Science, Austrian Academy of Sciences, the IFAC Beirat in Austria) and representatives of the Austrian NMO Austria) and representatives of the Austrian NMO of IFAC. IFAC is very grateful for the continued support by Austria. The Secretariat has been located in Laxenburg since 1978, when a contract was negotiated between D.I.Fred Margulies, then IFAC Secretary on behalf of IFAC and Dr. Hertha Firnberg, then Minister of Science and Research. With great regret we learned that Dr. Hertha Firnberg passed away in February this year. Among her many other achievements, she will always be remembered by us as having helped the IFAC Secretariat to find a permanent home.