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The Society for Risk Analysis - Europe invites your abstracts for presentations at the 2020 Benelux Chapter Conference Eindhoven, Netherlands, March 24, 2020

The 2020 SRA-Europe Benelux Chapter Conference focuses on the theme: “**The Risk-Technology Nexus**”.

Risk and technology are intricately linked to each other. Technologies can contribute to risk reduction, but often also introduce new risks. Think for example about ultra-deep geothermal energy, which can reduce global risks of climate change, but at the same time introduces new, local risks of groundwater pollution and earthquakes. Technologies thus require thoughtful weighing of old and new risks.

Understanding the interaction between risk and technology is particularly important for socially disruptive technologies. Technologies such as artificial intelligence, Internet-of-Things, gene editing, social robots and geo-engineering can bring fundamental change to society, and challenge our existing views of risk trade-offs. Artificial intelligence, for

example, can reduce health and safety risks or improve user experiences, but can also lead to social disruption through discrimination and exclusion of specific groups of people, filter bubbles and privacy and security risks.

SRA-Europe Benelux Chapter invites all contributions related to risk, e.g., risk analysis, risk management, risk governance, risk perception and risk communication. It particularly welcomes contributions that focus on the Risk-Technology Nexus of potentially disruptive technologies.

[Click here for complete submission guidelines and to submit your abstract.](#)

Submission deadline: January 17, 2020

The Society for Risk Analysis - Europe invites your abstracts for presentations at the 2020 Conference

Espoo, Finland, June 14-17, 2020

The Society for Risk Analysis – Europe invites you to its 29th Annual Conference at the Aalto University campus, **Espoo, Finland, June 14-17, 2020** with the general subject "**The Discipline(s) of Risk Science**".

We welcome contributions from all areas of risk analysis and science, including risk assessment, risk characterization, risk perception, risk communication, risk management, risk governance and policy, relating to risks which are of concern to individuals, organizations in the public and private sector, or to society at local, regional, national, or global levels.

The conference will be hosted and co-sponsored by Aalto University in cooperation with the University of Helsinki, Technical Research Centre of Finland, VTT and Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority.

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Submission deadline: January 15, 2020

Save the Date: Webinar
Wednesday, February 5, 11am ET

Valuing Statistical Lives: Concepts, Current Practices, and Challenges

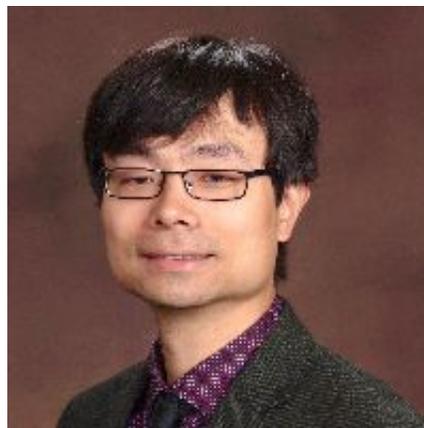
Many policies aim to improve longevity, decreasing the risk of death in each year, and the value of these risk reductions often dominate the estimated benefits of risk regulations and other policies. This value is often expressed as the value per statistical life (VSL), a term that is widely misunderstood. It is not the value that the analyst, the government, or the individual places on saving an identified life with certainty. Instead, it reflects individuals' willingness to exchange their own money for a small change in their own risk, such as a 1 in 10,000 decrease in the chance of dying in a specific year. In this webinar, we will discuss the conceptual framework that underlies the VSL, the empirical methods used to estimate it, and the default values recommended for application in different settings, as well as key challenges.

Speaker: Lisa A. Robinson

Stay tuned for a separate email with registration information later this month.

SRA Member Spotlight: Jun Zhuang, Ph.D., recipient of the 2019 Chauncey Starr Distinguished Young Analyst Award.

Dr. Zhuang's recent work, sponsored by the Department of Homeland Security and the National Science Foundation, uses risk analysis, game theory and big data analytics to study border security risks and social media misinformation management during disasters.



Each month the SRA newsletter will feature one of its members and their work in the spotlight section.

If you would like to nominate a member, please email [Melanie Preve](mailto:Melanie.Preve).



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