

Message from your Director-Elect



The WWID board, symposium committee, and I have been hard at work during the last few months putting together the groundwork for our 2012 WWAC symposium. We have an exciting program lined up this year and we are looking forward to sharing it with you.

Our first step was to launch a new 2012 WWAC symposium website. On the website at www.isawwsymposium.com you can find out everything you need about the symposium. It contains registration, program and accommodation information along with the all-important Call for Abstracts.

Our second step was to make sure that we formulated a program that is relevant with the current hot topics in our sector. For our full-day training course at the symposium, Bryan Singer will be teaching a course which provides an overview of Automation & SCADA security and introduces attendees to the ANSI/ISA99 automation security standards. We have also invited Bill Hollifield to be our invited speaker to give a talk about how to design and implement high performance HMIs, so we can all do a better job of putting technology to work helping operators. We will be announcing this year's symposium keynote speaker shortly.

Our third step was to reach out to two of the largest organizations in our sector: WEF and AWWA. Working with other associations in our sector is important to ensure we are effectively promoting our symposium and ensuring that it is meeting the industry's needs. I'm pleased to announce that Tom DeLaura, who is the chair of the WEF Automation and Information Management committee, has joined our symposium committee as our WEF Liaison. Tom is already hard at work forging ties between the ISA and WEF, and you can read more about Tom on page 11 of this newsletter. Personally, I have been in talks with a number of AWWA sections, and we will be making an AWWA Liaison announcement soon. On the AWWA front, I recently had the pleasure of attending a meeting of the North Carolina AWWA-WEA Automation Committee – they are an enthusiastic bunch and are looking forward to the symposium.

Attached to this newsletter, you will find a copy of the Call for Abstracts for this year's symposium. I encourage you to consider presenting a PowerPoint presentation, paper and/or poster at this year's event. First time authors and presenters are actively encouraged. Abstracts are due March 7, so it's time to put your thinking cap on.

In the following pages you will find an overview of our 2012 WWAC Symposium. Now is the time to start looking at your training budgets and making plans to attend. I hope to see you in Orlando this summer!

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WWID Director-elect &
General Symposium Chair for the 2012 WWAC Symposium

Upcoming Events

Registration is now open for our 2012 WWAC Symposium!

The Call for Abstracts is now available. Authors can present a PowerPoint, paper or poster. Abstracts are due Mar 7, 2012

The WWAC symposium is taking place Aug 7-9, 2012 in Orlando, Florida, USA. Symposium registration is \$300 for ISA members (\$400 for non-members), and includes 2 full days of presentations/talks, catered breakfasts and lunches, an evening reception, supplier showcase, and a tour of a local water/wastewater facility. The conference hotel is the Holiday Inn Castle Hotel, and the conference room rate is \$79/night.

We have selected the August timeslot for several reasons. First of all this is "low season" for the area which translates into better airline and hotel rates – we know that many of our attendees come from public utilities where every training dollar counts. We also selected the August timeslot so that participants can bring their families – in August school is out and Walt Disney World is just around the corner.

Registration Now Open!

2012 ISA Water & Wastewater and Automatic Controls Symposium

August 7-9, 2012

Tuesday - Thursday

**Holiday Castle Inn Resort Hotel
Orlando, Florida, USA**

(with Disney World just around the corner)

www.isawwsymposium.com

2 full days of speakers/presentations

Track 1 – Instrumentation, System Integration, Automation, Plant
Case Studies, New Technologies, Optimization
Track 2 – SCADA, HMI, Human Factors, Alarm Management

1 full day ISA Training Course

Plant Tour of a local Water/Wastewater Facility

Trade Show, Reception & Networking Event

Affordable Professional Development for

Plant Operations/Maintenance Staff, Plant Managers,
Plant Designers, Engineers, System Integrators

**CEUs – Continuing Education Units
PDHs – Professional Development Hours**