Commission B3 Activity: Astroinformatics and Astrostatistics

During 2015-18, Commission B President (Eric Feigelson) played a number of roles related to Commission B3. He served on the leadership councils of the International Astostatistics Association, American Astronomical Society Working Group on Astroinformatics and Astrostatistics, and the Large Synoptic Survey Telescopes Informatics and Statistics Science Collaboration. He is the inaugural Statistical Scientific Editor of the American Astronomical Society Journals, co-edits the online Astrostatistics and Astroinformatics Portal, and serves on the NASA Task Force on Big Data. Comm B3 Organizing Committee member Alan Heavens organized annual Data Analysis Workshops at the Imperial Centre for Inference and Cosmology, and was co-chair of the 2016 Statistical Challenges in 21st Century Cosmology conference that followed IAU Symposium #306 with the same name.