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Welcome to the Institute for Scientific Exploration (ISE) Newsletter

This is the first issue of the ISE Newsletter, which will be published at least monthly to keep you updated on all the major activities at ISE. You have no doubt seen the announcement of the launching of ISE in the latest issue of

The Explorer, http://www.scientificexploration.org/explorer/explorer_23_4.pdf In that issue, published in December, 2011, our announcement focused on the major benefits that all SSE members would enjoy as being part of the Institute for Scientific Exploration, since all SSE members have been given the privilege of automatically being members of ISE.

In this issue, and subsequent issues, we will focus on the activities of the various research divisions and departments, and the many exciting research projects that are currently being conducted or are being planned. In addition, each issue of the ISE Newsletter will cover the activities of the several administrative offices of ISE that enable the ISE to function smoothly and work toward achieving its mission and goals.

ISE is intended to be a very dynamic research and development organization, so we would like every single member of ISE to be involved in some way with one or more of the ISE anomalies research departments and research projects. We realize that not everyone may be able to or want to engage in the actual running of experiments, doing field research, or other such activities. However, everyone in this organization has some anomalies subject that is of special interest to them, so even if you can offer only moral support or encouragement to others, that will be greatly appreciated. Working together, I am sure that we will be able to have a very successful anomalies research organization.

Thank you for your participation in the Institute for Scientific Exploration. Please feel free to contact me at any time at: iseresearch51@gmail.com.

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WHY ISE?

*By Dominique Surel PhD
Vice President, ISE*

Perhaps it is not a coincidence that ISE has seen the light of day in the year 2012 which offers us, humanity, the opportunity to make a significant shift in our transformational process of evolution. It takes courage and a pioneering spirit to take-on the challenge. Some will resist it and others will feel inspired with the need to embark on the journey.

21st Century dynamics

It is already apparent that the old organizational structures will no longer function in this new paradigm. The conventional structural hierarchies that prevailed in most businesses and organizations have already begun to morph into more organic types of models. Prigogine's concept of open systems and its application to social and other human paradigms is coming to light.

Even though the last century focused on technological advancements whose applications have contributed to the de-humanization of our interactions, those who can feel the 2012 shift also know that the human aspect is taking on an ever more important dimension. Enlightened decision-makers and leaders are recognizing the need to build relationships at another level that is more organic and transparent. Successful individuals will learn to transcend ego and any selfish need for power and control – or their organization will not survive. As an example, positions of individuals sitting as observers and making decisions from “the top” are now defunct. 21st Century leaders will be strong individuals with vision and engaged in the work itself.

ISE – Leading the Way

The founders of ISE are very much sensitive to these changing dynamics in our global world and the need to break through our filters and old boundaries. The organizational structure of ISE is organic in nature and aligned with the new dynamics.

We want to reach out to you, ISE members, and invite you to bring forth your ideas, research proposals, and any other propositions you may have to further the evolution of mankind.

The reason we are asking for PhDs, MDs, or other doctoral level individuals to head-up the ISE Divisions and Departments is to create credibility vis-à-vis our external environment. We will be seeking funding and therefore need to present a minimum of conventional credibility. That being said, we invite and welcome all members who have degrees or who do not have degrees to bring forth their ideas and concepts to the relevant Division or Department director. ISE offers all members the opportunity to work within a Division to develop their ideas and seek funding within the ISE guidelines.

We believe that ISE will grow organically by attracting like-minded vision-oriented individuals and organizations. Already before ISE was officially launched we received a research grant. The Hong Kong branch is officially registered and the members are moving forward with scheduled

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local meetings. We have also received a research proposal from Dr. Albert So, Director of the ISE Hong Kong Branch

ISE will continue to grow globally and form a forward thinking network of individuals and organizations who wish to make a difference in the evolution of society.

ISE Conferences

ISE will endeavor to build a bridge between the world of research and the private sector and other organizations. It is time to create channels of discussion between different industries to identify their research needs and connect them with potential research collaborators. We will therefore be planning conferences with specific themes and inviting interested parties from industries to participate in inter-active sessions with the goal to create meaningful exchanges and potential partnerships. As local branches of ISE are created, we will encourage members to initiate communication and interaction with local enterprises.

We thank you for joining us on this transformational journey and we look forward to forging collaborative relationships around the globe.

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HONG KONG BRANCH

Dr. Albert So named Chairman of the ISE Hong Kong Branch

On February 11 the Hong Kong branch of ISE was officially launched with an Inauguration Skype meeting between the local Hong Kong Chairman Dr. Albert So and his new members, and in the United States with John Reed, and Dominique Surel. Dr. Albert So holds a PhD in electrical and electronic engineering from the University of Hong Kong. He is also the Director of the Asian Institute of Built Environment and Associate Professor at the University of Hong Kong.

The inauguration meeting consisted of John Reed introducing Albert and giving a presentation about the ISE vision; and Dominique Surel gave a presentation on Controlled Remote Viewing. The Hong Kong branch is already very active and has scheduled local meeting every six weeks. Dr. Julie Beischel from the Windbridge Institute will be presenting at the next meeting on the topic of Survival of Consciousness.

Below: ISE Hong Kong Members.



Message from Dr. So:

"I feel privileged to be authorized by ISE to establish the ISE Hong Kong Branch to serve the Greater China Region and to promote ISE in East Asia. The goal of ISE fits both our near and far future visions in providing mankind some breakthrough with the help of modern science and technology. I shall do my best to recruit more members here and keep a close connection with the headquarters in North America since I frequently travel between the two continents."
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MEET THE FOUNDING HONG KONG ISE MEMBERS

Dr. Albert So	Dr. Albert So obtained his BSc, MPhil and PhD, all in electrical and electronic engineering, from The University of Hong Kong. He had been with the Electrical & Mechanical Services Department of Hong Kong Government and City University of Hong Kong. He is Director of Asian Institute of Built Environment and Honorary Associate Professor of The University of Hong Kong. He is a Senior Member of IEEE, a Chartered Engineer in the U.K. and a Registered Professional Engineer in Hong Kong. He has been interested in paranormal and supernatural studies for three decades. Since 1997, he has been a committee member of Hong Kong UFO Club and in 2001, he was the founding Vice Chair of Hong Kong Institute of Ufology. He is the representative of Washington State Paranormal Investigation and Research in Hong Kong and an Expert Advisor of Hong Kong Astral Society. Since 2005, he organizes series of international conferences on Scientific Feng Shui and the Built Environment. He wrote two books on this topic with his co-author, Dr. Michael Mak. Both books available at amazon.com . In 2012, he established the ISE Hong Kong Branch to promote ISE activities in the Greater China Region.
Dr Eric Lee	Dr Eric Lee is currently an assistant professor in the City University of Hong Kong. He is a PhD and a registered professional engineer in fire engineering. His research interests include artificial intelligence and fire safety engineering. Dr Lee is also an enthusiast in various paranormal phenomena especially in consciousness and spirit. He has actively participated in different discussion forums related to the paranormal phenomena.
Corina Chan	Corina Chan is member of the Chartered Institute of Linguists (United Kingdom). She holds a master's degree in linguistics with research interests in philology and lexicography. She is reading Buddhism at the University of Hong Kong, and is interested in neuro-science, Buddhist psychology and Sanskrit philology. She has published both in English and Chinese in science and Buddhism, classical Chinese poetry besides in her own areas of specialty
William Lam	Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Master of Science in Civil & Structural Engineering, Master of Business Administration, chartered engineer, member of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, and member of the Institution of Structural Engineer of UK. I'm working in the MTR Corporation Limited, the mass transit organisation in Hong Kong. Currently I'm undertaking a research project under the Engineering Doctorate programme in the Department of Civil and Architecture of the City University of Hong Kong. The research focus is crowd behaviour in built environment. The research interest is the human psychology and behaviours in response to various scenarios and the built environment. The interest areas in paranormal or unexplained phenomena include UFO, spiritual world, and everything related to the mind's capability and how the mind works.
Philip Leung	An architect by profession. Studied and gained 2 Master degrees from Hull University and Cambridge University in the UK, joined the Mass Transit Railway Corporation Ltd. (MTR), the metro company in Hong Kong after working in London since graduation. Have been working with the MTR for 16 years and is currently the section manager of an interdisciplinary team of engineers providing design and engineering supports to the operating railways. I am passionate in the application of Virtual Design & Construction to enhance building performance and workflow in the life cycle of buildings, from design and construction to the operation and maintenance of building assets. Currently, I am undertaking a research project in the City University of Hong Kong on energy optimization by means of estimating the real-time energy consumption and passenger capacity of subway stations. I am interested in many subjects in paranormal phenomena from mysticism, afterlife, reincarnation to synchronicity.
Dr. K.C. Wong	Dr. K.C. Wong is a Faculty member of the Department of Real Estate and Construction, the University of Hong Kong. He mainly teaches land economics. He is an advocator of scientific philosophy in research, and interested in applying it to social sciences and paranormal phenomena. Chinese poetry and calligraphy are his hobbies.

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PHILIP C. CATALANO NAMED TO THE EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

We are happy to announce that Philip Catalano has been named as a Deputy Director for administration in the ISE Executive Administration Office. Phil has decades of experience in engineering and has held many leadership and director positions over the years in a number of for profit, as well, as nonprofit organizations. A number of these organizations have been in the fields of alternative energy, alternative science, and other areas related to scientific anomalies and unexplained phenomena. In addition, Phil has played an instrumental role in helping Dominique plan and organize the SSE Annual meeting in Boulder, CO, over the last three years, with increasing attendance each year. With his experience, enthusiasm, and dedication to advancing research on scientific anomalies, Phil will be a very valuable addition to ISE, and we welcome him.



ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE OF THE INSTITUTE FOR SCIENTIFIC EXPLORATION (ISE)

*The ISE website at: <http://instituteforscientificexploration.org> describes in detail all of the many ISE research divisions and departments. And this is rightly so, since the ISE is at its heart a research institution. However, in order to enable the ISE to function smoothly and efficiently, we need to have a number of administrative offices to ensure that happens. The following ISE administrative offices and departments have been established to manage and conduct the administrative side of ISE. If you are interested in helping ISE with any of these administrative activities, please contact us at: iseresearch51@gmail.com or call me at 443-858-0757. Thank you for any help you can provide. John
(John H. Reed, M.D., ISE Exec. Director)*

Collaboration and Cooperation Department (CCD)

The responsibility of the CCD is to identify and contact those organizations that have a strong interest in anomalies research, alternative medicine, or unexplained phenomena of any kind, may wish to: 1) Collaborate with ISE on various projects, 2) Coordinate their efforts with those of ISE to avoid duplication of effort, 3) Engage in joint ventures and activities with ISE to share work, or 4) Engage with ISE on any other mutually beneficial activity.

Country, Regional, and City Branch Administration (CRCBA)

The responsibility of the CRCBA is to help establish ISE branches in:

- 1) All countries of the world, especially where ISE members are already located;
- 2) All states and provinces of the larger countries, including the United States, China, Russia, India, Australia, Canada, and Brazil;
- 3) Large cities in those countries, states, and provinces;

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- 4) Cities with Colleges and University campuses, since the future of anomalies research will be largely in the hands of those who are currently students on these campuses;
- 5) Selected large high school districts in the US and other countries to encourage young people to have an interest in science, especially the very exciting area of exploring scientific anomalies and unexplained phenomena.

Executive Administration Office (EAO)

The responsibility of the Executive Administration Office is to administer and coordinate the overall activities of all the administrative offices, as well as the activities of the research divisions. The president, vice-president, treasurer, and other top executive offices are located in the EAO

Grants and Prizes Department (GPD)

The Grants and Prizes Department (GPD) is primarily responsible for administering the grant applications that ISE members make to funding organizations such as foundations and government agencies, using ISE as the sponsoring nonprofit organization. Almost all grant making organizations require that the official recipient of a grant be a nonprofit organization, and that the individual making the application be associated with a nonprofit organization. This makes it very difficult for individuals to apply directly for or receive grants of any kind on their own, and requires them to apply through a nonprofit organization with which they are associated. In addition, the GPD is responsible for organizing and dispensing grants and prizes that ISE will provide directly. The GPD will announce prizes, and grants available and then administer the applications for those funds or prizes, decide who the successful applicants and winners are, and award them to the recipients.

Human Resources Department (HRD)

The responsibility of the Human Resources Department (HRD) will be to recruit and acquire people and volunteers to be the heads of the various ISE divisions and departments, as well as, to be part of the various faculty and advisory groups. In addition, it will be the responsibility of the HRD to recruit people to head and fulfill the personnel needs of the various ISE administrative departments.

IT Department (ITD)

The responsibility of the IT Department is to set up and maintain the website of ISE, ISE social networking sites, ISE blogs, the comprehensive online wiki encyclopedia planned by ISE, similar to Wikipedia, and any other computer related activities of ISE.

Marketing Department (MD)

The responsibility of the Marketing Department (MD) is to market the innovative and novel services and products that ISE provides, produces, or is developing to consumers, corporations, government agencies, and other organizations. This includes all of the services and products described on the ISE website. The Marketing Department also manages the advertising of such services and products in media outlets.

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Membership Development Department (MDD)

The responsibility of the Membership Development Department (MDD) is to identify potential members for ISE and then contact those people and encourage them to join ISE. In addition, an incentive program has been established, whereby any person who is a member of ISE can act as an ISE recruiter and will be paid US\$20.00 for each new member they recruit directly to ISE. Also, the MDD plans to send to each new member a PDF set of business cards, which they can print out on heavy paper and use for their professional purposes. The MDD will also identify the anomalies interest(s) of each ISE member and determine what ISE department(s) they would like to be part of and what project(s) they would like to participate in.

Press, Publicity, and Public Relations Department (PPRD)

The responsibility of the Press and Public Relations Department (PPRD) is to write up and distribute press releases to the dozens, even hundreds of independent hard copy and online periodicals that exist around the world. The PPRD will first identify all active periodicals, worldwide that would be potentially suitable to put the ISE news release in. The PPRD will also identify blogs in the anomalies, alternative medicine, and related fields to send the news releases to. In addition, this PPRD attempts to get ISE listed as a link on other organization web pages, so that ISE will be better known and so ISE will show up high in Google and other search results.

Project Coordination Office (PCO)

The responsibility of the Project Coordination Department (PCD) will be to keep track of every proposed project, what ISE department is handling that project, the status of each of those projects, who is working on or assigned to each of the projects, and who the project leader is. To aid in this activity, a spreadsheet will be developed showing all of the information stated above. In addition, the PCO will contact ISE members to determine what projects they want to participate in or what projects they would like to see ISE initiate.

Publications and Periodicals Department (PPD)

The responsibility of the Publications and Periodicals Department is to work with IJN to get the articles of ISE members published in the various journals on subjects covered by the various departments. In addition, the PPD will publish the monthly ISE Newsletter to update people on the latest developments and accomplishments at ISE. The PPD may also be involved in publishing newsletters or journals of organizations that ISE has acquired or merged with.

Research Administration Office (RAO)

The responsibility of the Research Administration Office (RAO) is to coordinate all major activities of the ISE research divisions and ISE research departments, to enable them to operate smoothly and efficiently. The RAO works closely with the division and departmental directors to achieve this goal.

ISE TO ESTABLISH COMPREHENSIVE ONLINE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ANOMALIES AND UNEXPLAINED PHENOMENA (OEAUP)

The Institute for Scientific Exploration (ISE), sister organization to SSE, has announced that it will establish a comprehensive online encyclopedia of anomalies and unexplained phenomena. John H. Reed, M.D., ISE Executive Director, who is leading this project, said that it will be the most comprehensive encyclopedia on these subjects ever constructed, and will be made available on the ISE website through the “Resources for Researchers “ section.

This encyclopedia will be a wiki-encyclopedia, similar to Wikipedia, and will include all known subjects related to anomalies and unexplained phenomena. When asked if this won't simply duplicate what Wikipedia is already doing, Dr. Reed said that there will obviously be some subject duplication, but that this encyclopedia will go far beyond what Wikipedia does or allows with its various restrictions and censorship of anomalies related subjects.

Dr. Reed outlined the coverage, scope, and other aspects of the ISE encyclopedia as follows, and contrasted it with Wikipedia and printed encyclopedias;

1. **People:** All people, regardless of their fame or stature will be allowed to have a page in this encyclopedia, as long as they have some relationship to scientific anomalies or unexplained phenomena of some kind. This will include all members of ISE and its sister organizations. They may be researchers, authors of articles or books, members of anomalies organizations, witnesses to anomalous phenomena, or simply people who have an interest in anomalies and unexplained phenomena.

Wikipedia apparently has a policy of allowing only “newsworthy” people or others with some degree of stature or fame to be included, as do all printed encyclopedias, because many people have been rejected. However, the ISE wiki-encyclopedia seeks to include everyone, worldwide, who has an interest in anomalies and unexplained phenomena.

2. **Subjects:** All subjects and terms related to mysterious or unexplained phenomena will be included in the ISE encyclopedia. This will include all of the subjects found in out-of-print or currently printed encyclopedias, and dictionaries, such as the three volume Encyclopedia of Occultism and Parapsychology (5,000+ subjects), the Encyclopedia of the Unexplained, and many other printed encyclopedias, past and present. In addition, all of the 10,000+ anomalies subjects that William R. Corliss covered in his massive Sourcebook Project catalogs and handbooks will also have separate pages in the ISE online encyclopedia. And as new anomalies and unexplained phenomena are discovered, they will be added to the encyclopedia.

This comprehensive online encyclopedia of thousands of anomalies subjects is designed to cover all existing anomalies subjects past and present, and to provide

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bibliographies on each subject, as well. Thus researchers will need only to access this one encyclopedia at the ISE website, to get comprehensive information and bibliographies on the subject of their interest, rather than having to track down expensive and hard to find print encyclopedias.

3. **Bibliographies:** The ISE encyclopedia will have extensive bibliographies for all people and subjects it covers. Wikipedia and print encyclopedias usually have only a few references for the people and subjects they cover. Moreover, where possible within copyright laws, links to the actual reference sources will be made >>>so that researchers will be able to access these materials directly and immediately.
4. **Organizations and Periodicals:** All anomalies organizations and periodicals that have ever existed will be included, with a listing of start dates, ending dates, leaders, and other pertinent information. Periodical write-ups will show information on all issues published. Most such organizations and periodicals, because of their nature and subject matter, have never been listed in Wikipedia, or any print encyclopedias. Dr. Reed has a database of over 3,500 anomalies organizations and periodicals, all of which will receive a page in the ISE anomalies encyclopedia.
5. **Wiki Format and What-You-See-Is-What-You-Get (WYSIWYG) Text:** As a wiki-encyclopedia, anyone in the world will be able to add subject pages and add information to already existing pages. People will be able to add this information in a WYSIWYG fashion, just as they would write a Word document, without have to learn any special computer formatting methods as is necessary with Wikipedia. Moreover, no one will be allowed to change what others have written, as is the case with Wikipedia, where skeptics have often gone to pages written about anomalies subjects and changed what was originally written into something completely different with a skeptic orientation and distortions of the original article.

It is hoped that this encyclopedia will be of value to anomalies researchers, and that they will add to its value by making content additions to it whenever they are able to do so. ISE urgently needs help in setting up and maintaining this encyclopedia, and would like to request anyone with knowledge about wikis and who is interested in helping with this project to contact John at: iseresearch51@gmail.com or call him at 443-858-0747.

CLASSIFIED ADS, DISPLAY ADS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The ISE Newsletter is distributed to over 1,500 people who are interested in anomalies
COST: \$5 for 1/4page or less, and each 1/4 increment above 1/4 page. Full page: \$20*

HELP WANTED – WORDPRESS, WIKIS

Do any of you have experience using Wordpress or working with wikis??
ISE needs your help or advice in these two areas. If so, please contact John at:
iseresearch51@yahoo.com Thank you.

BOOKS WANTED

John Reed wants to purchase three books, all written by **William R. Corliss**. Those books are:

- 1) **Unfathomed Mind**—A Handbook of Unusual Mental Phenomena
- 2) **Strange Life** – A Sourcebook of the Mysteries of Organic Nature, Volume B-1
- 3) **Remarkable Luminous Phenomena in Nature: A Catalog of Geophysical Anomalies**

If you have any of these books, please contact John at: joreed43@yahoo.com with the price you want. Thank you.

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Complete set of 433 issues, from January 1958, through May 1994
except for three missing issues, April, 1958, Feb, 1959, and August, 1959.

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