

**Welcome letter of Faye Duchin  
President of the International Input-Output Association**

On behalf of IIOA I am pleased about our participation in this important event marking the 100th anniversary of Professor Leontief's birth and regret that I cannot be there personally.

IIOA is enthusiastic to inaugurate cooperation with the Leontief Centre and in particular invite their members to become also members of IIOA, which is done readily by following the directions on our website. Just search for IIOA on a browser and you will find it at the top of the list.

Wassily Wassilovich had a powerful and original vision of a science of economics that serves the public interest and is grounded in the material world. We are now experiencing a renaissance of research based in input-output economics, stimulated by the major concerns of our time: the environment and globalization. I invite you to participate in our next international conference that will take place in Istanbul in July 2007 to see what is going on and to get engaged with more of our members. It would be a distinct pleasure for me personally to get acquainted with you in Istanbul.