News from the Leibniz-Gesellschaft Herbert Breger, Leibniz-Archiv, Hannover

Academy Edition Update: The volume III, 5 (mathematical, scientific and technical correspondence, 1691-1693) appeared in june 2003. The volume VII, 3 (mathematical writings: differences, sequences, series 1672-1676) will appear at the end of November 2003. The volumes I, 18 (general, political and historical correspondence, January-August 1700), IV, 5 (political writings, 1693-1694) and III, 6 (mathematical, scientific and technical correspondence, 1694- June 1696) will appear in 2004. Since 1985 (when the Leibniz edition was introduced into the Academy program), the Göttingen Academy has published 18 volumes and the Berlin Academy has published 2 volumes.

The four editorial centers (Hannover, Potsdam, Münster, Berlin) have created a common website (http://www.leibniz-edition.de) in order to facilitate a quick survey of the electronic presentations. The Leibniz-Archiv Hannover and the Editionsstelle Potsdam offer five complete volumes having the same pagination as the printed books. Moreover, there are quite a few pages of work-in-progress available via the internet: Leibniz-Archiv (1954 pages), Editionsstelle Potsdam (785 pages), Forschungsstelle Münster (64 pages). The internet presentations will be further extended.

The common website of the Leibniz edition gives also a short summary of the content of every printed volume as well as information on its price and availability. Moreover, research tools with a direct connection to the Academy edition are indicated on the website. In particular, a cumulative index of letters published in the Academy edition can be found as well as the cumulative subject index.

The Editionsstelle Potsdam and the Moses-Mendelssohn-Zentrum are organizing a conference on "Leibniz and Judaism," (28-31 March 2004).

François Duchesneau, Catherine Wilson and Justin Smith are organizing a conference (1-3 October 2004) in Montreal on the 300th anniversary of the *Nouveaux Essais*.

Arising from the meeting of the Leibniz-Gesellschaft on 12 november 2003, the following items are worthy of note:

Cooperation with the Leibniz committee of the Chinese Academy was discussed. Plans for a Chinese Leibniz edition have been drawn up.

NEWS FROM THE LEIBNIZ-GESELLSCHAFT

In July 2005, the XXII. International Congress of History of Science will take place in Beijing. Wenchao Li and Hartmut Rudolph will organize a Leibniz symposium within this Congress.

The meeting of the Leibniz-Gesellschaft elected a new president. Ernst Gottfried Mahrenholz, former vice president of the Supreme Court of Germany and president of the Leibniz-Gesellschaft for 15 years, did not want to be a candidate again. Rolf Wernstedt, former president of the parliament of the State of Niedersachsen, was elected.

The VIIIth International Leibniz Congress will take place 11-16 september 2006 in Hannover. Information on the Congress will be found soon at http://www.nlb-hannover.de/Leibniz/Gesellschaft/Veranstaltungen/Kongress.

A special issue of *Studia Leibnitiana* on "Individuals, Minds and Bodies: Themes from Leibniz" (edited by Tomasi/Nunziante/Carrara) will appear soon. Wenchao Li will edit an issue of *Studia Leibnitiana* on "Religion and Tolerance." Professor G.H.R. Parkinson, one of the editors of *Studia Leibnitiana*, just celebrated his 80th birthday in good health.