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## EURO Support for NATCOR Bursaries Deadline May 25, 2014



The Association of European  
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**NATCOR**

A National Taught Course Centre in Operational Research

NATCOR, a National Taught Course Centre in Operational Research, delivers taught courses in the UK to PhD students on a number of different topics in OR. Please see the NATCOR website for more details: <http://www.natcor.ac.uk/>

**EURO is pleased to announce the availability of a limited number of bursaries for PhD students to attend NATCOR courses.** <http://www.euro-online.org/web/pages/1568/natcor-bursaries>

The NATCOR course fees and accommodation (typically bed and breakfast) will be funded by EURO for successful candidates.

Applicants must be PhD students, from one of the EURO member countries or studying in one of the EURO member countries. (see <http://www.euro-online.org/web/pages/1457/member-societies>). Applicants must have good English Language skills as all NATCOR courses will be in English. Preference will be given to students in their first or second years but all are welcome to apply. Preference will also be given to applicants who have not previously received support from EURO for NATCOR or other PhD schools.

To apply for a bursary candidates should submit the application form ([http://www.euro-online.org/media\\_site/forms/NATCOR\\_App.doc](http://www.euro-online.org/media_site/forms/NATCOR_App.doc)), their curriculum vitae (including their academic track record), a letter outlining their motivation to attend, and a letter of recommendation from their supervisor to the Vice President 2 of EURO:

### Important Dates

Deadline for applications: **May 25, 2014**  
Notification of acceptance: June 2, 2014

## European Journal of Operational Research Special Issue on Behavioural OR



Please note the new **Schedule and Dates**.

### Guest Editors:

L. Alberto Franco, Loughborough University, UK  
Raimo P. Hamalainen, Aalto University, Finland

### Motivation

Within the OR field, there is an increasing interest in studying behavioural factors affecting model-based problem solving and decision making processes. Recently, the term Behavioural Operational Research (BOR) has been proposed to capture this new development and signal the emergence of an important field of future activity within OR (Ramalainen et al 2013). Defined broadly, BOR relates to the behavioural aspects of the use of OR in problem solving and decision support. The overall purpose of BOR is to make better use of OR by both experts and users, so that the intended benefits of OR are effectively realized in practice. Although behavioural issues have been acknowledged and studied by particular OR communities (e.g. decision analysis, system dynamics, game theory), much more behavioural studies are needed across the full spectrum of OR specialisms. This Special Issue will thus present a representative collection of high quality BOR studies designed to advance our understanding of how behavioural factors affect the conduct of, and interaction with, model-based processes that support problem solving and decision making.

### Contents

The purpose of this Special Issue is to engage operational researchers who have an interest in the behavioural aspects of OR practice. We will therefore consider conceptual and empirical manuscripts as long as they explicitly consider one or more behavioural dimensions within their work, and they seek to create a new body of knowledge concerning the role and impact of behavioural factors on model-based processes. We encourage papers from OR scholars and practitioners that address, but are not limited to, the following area topics:

- Model building: What is the effect of behavioural factors on problem structuring, model specification, data collection, model validation, learning, and satisficing?
- Model-based interaction: How do individual and group behavioural characteristics affect model-based interactions and vice versa? What is the impact of the facilitator's behavioural characteristics on model-based interactions? What is the relation between behavioural factors and different model-based interaction formats (eg face-to-face vs online)?
- Modelling people behaviour: How can people behaviour be effectively modelled? What kind of OR modelling approaches are available to model different behaviours (e.g. crowd behaviour) in complex situations (e.g. emergencies) and systems (e.g. supply chain systems)? What is the role and impact of behavioural models for policy and practice?
- Communication with and about models: What is the effect of behavioural factors (including individual features such as educational, professional and cultural backgrounds) on the use of quantitative and qualitative visual models?
- Neurophysiological studies: What can we learn from analysing model-based processes from a neurophysiological perspective to understand the cognitive challenges demanded by different OR approaches?
- Cognitive biases: How do the biases observed in behavioural decision research transfer to OR model-based processes?
- Evaluation studies: What can we learn from adopting a behavioural lens to conduct empirical evaluations of different model-based processes?
- Non-expert use of OR approaches and models: What are the pitfalls and risks? Is quick learning possible?
- Teaching of OR: What is the impact of behavioural factors on OR teaching practices (including the use of software for teaching)? How to develop effective facilitation and systems intelligence skills?
- Ethics and OR: How can behavioural factors inform the ethical conduct of OR in practice?

We are interested in behavioural studies that focus on the use of quantitative and qualitative model-based processes that are typical of OR practice. We are also interested in studies that draw from a variety of different theoretical perspectives, such as psychology, economics, sociology, communication, and theories of practice. In terms of methodology, we welcome submissions in which a variety of research strategies and methods for collecting and analysing data are used.

### Submission Process

To aid in the development of papers, prospective authors are invited to submit an extended abstract (1,000 words) describing their proposed contribution to the Guest Editors by **31 May 2014**. (E: [La.franco@lboro.ac.uk](mailto:La.franco@lboro.ac.uk) or [raimo.hamalainen@aalto.fi](mailto:raimo.hamalainen@aalto.fi)). All abstracts will receive a first screening and feedback by the

Guest Editors, who will encourage authors of promising abstracts to submit their full papers to the Special Issue. Papers may be submitted directly to the Special Issue without submitting an extended abstract.

Papers for the Special Issue should be prepared according to EJOR's guidelines for authors, and will undergo a normal reviewing process. Full manuscripts should be submitted to the online submission system of EJOR (<http://ees.elsevier.com/ejor/>) before **30 November 2014**.

#### Schedule and Dates

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| 31 May 2014      | Submission of extended abstracts                           |
| 15 June 2014     | Notification to authors regarding their extended abstracts |
| 30 June 2014     | EES opens for new submissions to Special Issue             |
| 30 November 2014 | EES close for new submissions to Special Issue             |
| 30 June 2015     | Final decision on all submissions to Special Issue         |

#### Reference

Hamalainen, R. P., Luoma, J., & Saarinen, E. 2013. On the importance of behavioral operational research: The case of understanding and communicating about dynamic systems. *European Journal of Operational Research*, 228(3): 623-634.

## EURO Mini Conference Stochastic Programming and Energy Applications Paris, France, September 24-26, 2014

The Organizers of the European Conference on Stochastic Programming and Energy Applications (EuroCSP2014) are honored to host the first EURO Mini Conference in Paris, France, from September 24 to September 26, 2014.

The EuroCSP is organized by EURO, the European Association of Operational Research Societies, EWGSP, the Working Group on Stochastic Programming, and by SPS, the Stochastic Programming Society.

The conference aims to bring together the leading researchers in stochastic programming, practitioners in the field, students, clients and users. Participants are welcome both from academics, but also industry, media and institutions concerned with data uncertainty as well as decision making solving stochastic applications in energy and sustainability.

#### Important dates

Deadline for abstract/paper submission: **June 15, 2014**

Notification of acceptance/rejection: June 25, 2014

Deadline for registration fee payment for inclusion in the abstract book: September 1st, 2014

Conference: September 24-26, 2014

#### Conference Chair:

Prof. Abdel Lisser (Paris Sud) Contact : [lisser@lri.fr](mailto:lisser@lri.fr)

#### Plenary sessions speakers:

Pr. Darinka Dentcheva (USA)

Pr. René Henrion (Germany)

Pr. Michel Minoux (France)

<http://www.eurocsp2014.com/index>



EURO Working Group OR for  
Development EWG-ORD



The International Conference on OR for Development (ICORD) 2014  
Lleida, Spain, July 10-11, 2014

**The Conference**

The International Conference on OR for Development (ICORD) used to be sponsored by IFORS (<http://ifors.org/web/icord-history>) every 3 years but in recent years workshops have also been held in the intervening years: the last two were held in Tunisia and Rome in collaboration with the **EURO Working Group on OR for Development**. This conference will be similarly organized. It aims to improve the links among researchers with the view to improving each other's effectiveness at bringing about meaningful changes towards development.

ICORD 2014 will again be hosted by IFORS in co-operation with the EWG-ORD in the days preceding the IFORS Conference in Barcelona. ICORD 2014 will be held at the [University of Lleida](#), Catalonia, accessible by a 1-hour train ride from Barcelona or 2-hours from Madrid.

**Accepted Papers** have been screened to include only those that have helped or have the potential to help decision-making processes in the area of education, health, and other basic services, water, technology, resource use (physical or financial), infrastructure, agricultural industrialization, and environmental sustainability. A stress on developmental issues has guided the selection process, thus papers of purely technical nature, or those that have no relevance in the developmental context have not been accepted.

### **OR for Development enthusiasts are invited to attend ICORD 2014.**

<http://ifors.org/icord2014/index.html>

#### **The Program**

The program will include a Workshop on Facilitated Decision Analysis for Policy Making in Developing Countries by **Gilberto Montibeller** (Dept. of Management, London School of Economics). The invited speaker is **Panos M. Pardalos** ([www.ise.ufl.edu/pardalos](http://www.ise.ufl.edu/pardalos)) who will speak on Optimization and Economic Modeling of Energy Systems Centering CO<sub>2</sub>. Paper presentations on various topics relevant to OR in development have been arranged. Non-presenting participants will be invited to review one work which interests them and give comments on the presentation.

#### **Fees and Payment**

Registration fee is inclusive of participation, materials, lunch and snacks for the 2-day conference.

Fee US\$300

Registration will remain open until June 15th. Participants coming from developing countries may write to the organizer to apply for a fee waiver.

## **ALIO/EURO 2014**

### **VIII ALIO/EURO Workshop on Applied Combinatorial Optimization Montevideo, Uruguay, December 8-10 2014**

<http://www.fing.edu.uy/en/alio-euro-2014>

#### **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The ALIO/EURO Workshop on Applied Combinatorial Optimization series is a triennial event jointly promoted by the Association of Latin-Iberoamerican Operational Research Societies (ALIO) and the Association of European Operational Research Societies (EURO), both within the International Federation of Operational Research Societies (IFORS).

The main purpose of the event is to bring together Latin American and European researchers and to stimulate activities and discussions about methods and applications in the field of combinatorial optimization. Researchers from other regions worldwide are also welcome. Previous editions of the ALIO/EURO Workshop on Applied Combinatorial Optimization were held in:

- Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (1989)
- Valparaiso, Chile (1996)
- Erice, Italy (1999)
- Pucon, Chile (2002)
- Paris, France (2005)
- Buenos Aires, Argentina (2008)
- Porto, Portugal (2011)

The 2014 edition of the workshop is organized by the Operations Research Department of the Computer Science Institute, Faculty of Engineering, Universidad de la República, Uruguay.

#### **INVITED SPEAKERS**

- Michel Gendreau, Département de Mathématiques et de Génie Industriel, École Polytechnique de Montréal and CIRRELT, Canada
- Thomas Stützle, IRIDIA, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium
- Andres Weintraub, Departamento de Ingeniería Industrial, Universidad de Chile, Chile

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Deadline for submitting extended abstracts: **June 9, 2014.**
- Notification of acceptance to authors: August 11, 2014.
- Deadline for reception of final versions: September 22, 2014.
- Workshop: December 8-10, 2014.

#### **PAPER SUBMISSION**

Extended abstracts comprising up to six pages should be prepared according to the instructions given at the conference website.

A Special Issue of International Transactions in Operational Research including selected contributions from the workshop will be published.

#### **VENUE**

The VIII ALIO/EURO Workshop on Applied Combinatorial Optimization will be held at Edificio Polifuncional José Luis Massera, next to the Faculty of Engineering. This is a central location with full access to services such as transportation, lodging and restaurants. The surroundings of the conference venue offer a pleasant environment, including Parque Rodó and the riverside of Río de la Plata.

#### **CONTACT**

Please use the form in the Contact section at the conference website.

## Annual Meeting of the UK OR Society

OR56

Royal Holloway University of London, UK,  
September 9-11, 2014



Have you registered your intent to give a paper at our OR56 Annual Conference?

If not, please go on-line now, enter a title and just a few words so we know you are coming to join us in September! Then, complete your abstract (300 words max) by the **extended deadline 16 June!**

<http://www.theorsociety.com/Pages/Conferences/OR56/OR56Abstract.aspx>

See the OR Society website for a full list of the 23 streams we are running at the conference this year. Also, be aware of the Making an Impact day on Wednesday the 10th September which enables networking and skills development for both practitioners and academics.

The plenary sessions at this year's conference are:

**Stewart Robinson** - Professor of Management Science and Associate Dean Research at Loughborough University, School of Business and Economics.

"We certainly live in an analytics society. So what does this mean for us as OR practitioners and academics? And what does it mean for the OR Society? In this talk I shall reflect upon my own analytics journey which started in around 2007. We shall ask "what is analytics?" and trace its genesis. Is it just another fad or something that will stay? We shall finish by thinking about what this means for us, asking the greatest of all taboos: should we become the Analytics Society?"

**Ursula Brennan** - Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) since July 2012. She is also Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

"Recently we have identified gaps in the ability of policy managers to understand and manage information. Our efforts to make better use of the Government's analytical teams, and to grow the data and analysis skills of the policy profession, have re-inforced the importance of analytical thinking. This will be demonstrated through case studies of the use of Operational Research approaches, including problem structuring methods from national, sub-regional and local levels, which have helped analysts and policymakers to remain open-minded, to engage stakeholders and to consider the policy from multiple perspectives."

**Andrew Jennings** - Senior Vice President and Chief Analytics Officer responsible for analytic strategy and analytic development at FICO.

"Retail banking was one of the very first industries to adopt analytics as a foundation of their operating mode. Today it is central to just about every decision and one of the best examples of a success story of the impact that analytics can have on a business. In this talk I will demonstrate how pervasive the use of data and models have become to decision making and profitability describing current practice and also touching on some future developments".

This year at OR56 we are very pleased to be hosting a **Plenary Panel on Behavioural Operational Research** which is chaired by **Gilberto Montibeller** from the London School of Economics.

Panel: Dr Gilberto Montibeller, LSE (chair), Prof L. Alberto Franco, Loughborough University, Mr Phil Jones, Dstl, Prof David C. Lane, Henley Business School, Mrs Judith Rawle, Head of OR, CORDA and Dr Geoff Royston, Immediate Past President, The OR Society

"Emanating from the pioneering work of Tversky and Khaneman, 'Behavioural Decision Research' has made key contributions to the Decision Sciences in the last 40 years. This stream of research has had a significant effect on Economics, Finance, and Public Policy, and helped to create the fields of Behavioural Economics, Behavioural Finance and Behavioural Public Policy. This plenary panel will try to help shape a conceptual view of what 'Behavioural Operational Research' is, what it should be, and what its perspective can contribute to the theory and practice of OR."

### Important Deadlines

30 May 2014 Submission of full Keynote Papers and Extended Abstracts

**16 June 2014** Extended - submission of titles and abstracts to appear in the Programme

20 June 2014 Notification of Acceptance to be sent re Keynote Papers and Extended Abstracts

30 June 2014 Submission of Keynote camera ready copy

30 June 2014 Early reduced registration fee.

02 July 2014 Final revision of abstracts

18 July 2014 Registration if to be included in the schedule of presentations

## Summer School AACIMP 2014

Kiev, Ukraine, August 3 - 16, 2014

### IX Summer School "Achievements and Applications of Contemporary Informatics, Mathematics and Physics" (AACIMP - 2014)

Website: <http://summerschool.ssa.org.ua>

- registration deadline - **June 1 2014**

This year educational programme of the Summer School is presented with 4 streams:

- Applied Computer Science;
- Energy;
- **Operational Research;**
- Neuroscience.

#### Operational Research stream

The annual Operational Research (OR) stream of the Summer School AACIMP aims to provide overview on state-of-the-art OR. Hereinafter we refer to OR as field that studies advanced analytic techniques as a means to improve decision-making. Operational Research claims to be interdisciplinary, considering a vast variety of scientific areas where its methods and techniques are often applicable. Participants of the stream will learn how Operational Research specialists use different types of models (both hard and soft OR techniques) to improve decision making in the face of uncertainty in real problems of business, governments or society.

This year OR stream will provide an overview of methods for supply chain management, giving understanding of humanitarian (disaster relief operations) and commercial (global markets and international business) logistics. Participants will become familiar with such topics as type and quantity of the resources, way of procurement and storage of the supplies, specialization and cooperation of chain links, present-day methods for production planning, transportation problems solving, demand and supply synchronization etc.

Another part of the stream courses will be dedicated to the modern world economy which is characterized by constant growth of its complexity, increase in dynamics and its monetary value. We also can observe financial markets development. A need in support of business process flows causes evolution of financial instruments. Stream will consist of several courses dedicated to contemporary methods of financial markets modelling.

Additionally, several courses will introduce soft OR methods and approaches. A number of problems cannot be modelled with mathematical tools as their formalization with pure logic is unfeasible or their computational complexity grows too fast. To resolve this you will be equipped with soft OR techniques that seek to help key stakeholders understand the problems they face, identify the views held by other stakeholders, negotiate the action to take, and agree to a consensus on a course(s) of action to be taken. It generates debate, learning, and understanding, and use this understanding to progress through complex problems.

Courses of the stream are:

- OR-based Decision Support for Crisis and Disaster Management
- Financial Mathematics and Related Topics in Economics and Development
- Locational Analysis
- Quantitative Models in Supply Chain Management
- Stochastic Programming and Applications

- Introduction to Business Intelligence

#### Prerequisites

Proficiency in basic calculus is the only requirement for the stream courses.

Tutors of the stream are:

Dr. Emel Aktas, Senior Lecturer at Cranfield University, United Kingdom

Prof. Giuseppe Bruno, University of Naples "Federico II", University Parthenope of Naples, Naples, Italy

Mrs. Mila Krep, BI developer at Luxoft, Ukraine

Prof. Erik Kropat, Bundeswehr University Munich / ITIS, Institute for Theoretical Computer Science, Mathematics and Operations Research, Munich, Germany

Prof. Oleksandr Makarenko, Institute for Applied System Analysis, National Technical University of Ukraine "KPI", Ukraine

Dr. Oleksii Mostovyi, University of Texas, Austin, USA

Dr. Oleg Prokopyev, Department of Industrial Engineering, University of Pittsburgh, USA

Prof. Leonidas Sakalauskas, Institute of Mathematics and Informatics, Head of Operational Research Department, Lithuania

Prof. Gerhard Wilhelm Weber, Institute of Applied Mathematics, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey

#### Registration

To participate in the Summer School, a student has to fill in an application form on the AACIMP-2014 website ([summerschool.ssa.org.ua/apply](http://summerschool.ssa.org.ua/apply)). The decision on the acceptance is made by the Organizing Committee based on student's skills, range of interests and motivation.

You can find all the details of registration, information about courses, terms of participation, scholarships and payment on the AACIMP-2014 website: <http://summerschool.ssa.org.ua>

## FRICO 2014, Future Research in Combinatorial Optimization Magdeburg, Germany, July 30 - August 2, 2014

Workshop for young researchers (students, Ph.D. students, postdocs)

Website: <http://www.frico.ovgu.de>

This year's FRICO will take place at Institute of Mathematical Optimization, Otto-von-Guericke-Universität Magdeburg, Germany.

FRICO 2014 is the 18th workshop in a sequence of successful meetings that bring together young researchers in order to establish new contacts and exchange ideas in the field of combinatorial optimization.

FRICO is intended to be a workshop in the original meaning of the word. In particular, we encourage the submission and presentation of on-going and future research (even work containing gaps and unsolved problems). Besides plenty of time between sessions, there will be a social program that allows participants to exchange ideas and have fruitful discussions.

Participation is free of charge. Registration due date: **May 31, 2014**

As in the tradition of previous FRICOs, a best-talk prize will be awarded. Furthermore, we also plan to invite partners from the industry to highlight the application of combinatorial optimization in practice.

### Upcoming Conferences

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| 29th-31st May 2014  | <a href="#">CMS 2014</a>   | Lisbon, Portugal    | 28th February 2014 |
| 2nd June 2014       | <a href="#">DORS A00 2014</a>  | Copenhagen, Denmark |                    |
| 5th-6th June 2014   | <a href="#">2014 INFORMS Revenue Management and Pricing Section Conference</a> | Istanbul, Turkey    | 31st March 2014    |
| 5th-7th June 2014   | <a href="#">ALEL 2014</a>  | Seville, Spain      | 2nd May 2014       |
| 11th-13th June 2014 | <a href="#">GDN 2014</a>   | Toulouse, France    | 16th December      |

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| 11th-20th June 2014       | <a href="#">EURO Summer Institute 2014. Operational Research applied to health in a modern world</a>                            | Bard, Italy                                 |                    |
| 16th-20th June 2014       | <a href="#">ISOLDE XIII / EWGLA XXI</a>   | Naples and Capri, Italy                     | 10th March 2014    |
| 22nd-24th June 2014       | <a href="#">INFORMS Conference on The Business of Big Data</a>  | San Jose, California, USA                   | 14th April         |
| 22nd-25th June 2014       | <a href="#">VeRoLog 2014</a>  | Oslo, Norway                                | 1st February 2014  |
| 23rd-25th June 2014       | <a href="#">IPCO 2014 - The 17th Conference on Integer Programming and Combinatorial Optimization</a>                           | Bonn, Germany                               | 15th November 2013 |
| 26th-28th June 2014       | <a href="#">4th EURO Working Group conference on Operational Research in Computational Biology, Bioinformatics and Medicine</a> | Poznan, Poland                              | 2nd March 2014     |
| 26th-28th June 2014       | <a href="#">HELORS 3rd International Symposium and 25th National Conference on Operational Research</a>                         | University of Thessaly, Greece              | 16th May 2014      |
| 29th June-2nd July 2014   | <a href="#">Stochmod 2014</a>   | Mannheim, Germany                           | 7th March 2014     |
| 2nd-4th July 2014         | <a href="#">EWGT2014</a>  | Seville, Spain                              | 2nd March 2014     |
| 10th-11th July 2014       | <a href="#">ICORD 2014</a>  | University of Lleida, Catalonia, Spain      | 15th February 2014 |
| 10th-12th July 2014       | <a href="#">EUROPT2014</a>  | Université de Perpignan Via Domitia, France | 28th March 2014    |
| 13th-18th July 2014       | <a href="#">20th IFORS Conference</a>   | Barcelona, Spain                            | 10th February 2014 |
| 19th July-1st August 2014 | <a href="#">EURO Summer Institute 2014. OR in Agriculture and Agrifood Industry</a>   | Lleida, Spain                               | 15th December 2013 |
| 20th-25th July 2014       | <a href="#">ORAHS 2014</a>  | Lisbon, Portugal                            | 18th April 2014    |
| 28th-30th July 2014       | <a href="#">Optimization 2014 (APIDO)</a>   | Guimarães, Portugal                         | 31st March 2014    |
| 30th July-2nd August 2014 | <a href="#">FRICO 2014</a>  | Magdeburg, Germany                          | 31st May 2014      |
| 3rd-16th August 2014      | <a href="#">Summer School AACIMP 2014</a>   | Kiev, Ukraine                               | 1st June 2014      |
| 26th-29th                 | <a href="#">The 10th International Conference on the Practice</a>   |   | 28th               |



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| August 2014               | <a href="#">and Theory of Automated Timetabling - PATAT 2014</a>   | York, UK               | February 2014       |
| 1st-2nd September 2014    | <a href="#">LOT - a special EU/MEeting in memory of Professor Arne Løkketangen</a>   | Molde, Norway          | 1st April 2014      |
| 2nd-5th September 2014    | <a href="#">International Conference on Operations Research (OR2014)</a>   | Aachen, Germany        | 7th May 2014        |
| 8th-11th September 2014   | <a href="#">EngOpt 2014</a>  | Lisbon, Portugal       | 31st March 2014     |
| 9th-11th September 2014   | <a href="#">UK ORS OR56</a>  | London, UK             | 16th June 2014      |
| 8th-12th September 2014   | <a href="#">Second International Conference on Set-Valued Variational Analysis and Optimization with Applications in Finance</a> | Bruneck-Brunico, Italy | 2nd May 2014        |
| 24th-26th September 2014  | <a href="#">EURO Mini Conference on "Stochastic Programming and Energy Applications"</a>   | Paris, France          | 15th June 2014      |
| 24th-26th September 2014  | <a href="#">The 15th International Conference on Operational Research KOI 2014</a>   | Osijek, Croatia        | 1st July 2014       |
| 6th-10th October 2014     | <a href="#">CLAIO XVII / CSMIO III Joint ALIO/SMIO Conference</a>  | Monterrey, Mexico      | 1st May 2014        |
| 8th-11th October 2014     | <a href="#">3rd International Conference on Variable Neighborhood Search</a>   | Djerba, Tunisia        | 1st June 2014       |
| 8th-10th December 2014    | <a href="#">VIII ALIO/EURO Workshop on Applied Combinatorial Optimization</a>  | Montevideo, Uruguay    | 9th June 2014       |
| 9th-12th December 2014    | <a href="#">Special Session on Optimization Methods in Bioinformatics and Bioengineering (OMBB)</a>                              | Orlando, Florida, USA  | 15th June 2014      |
| 11th-13th January 2015    | <a href="#">2015 INFORMS Computing Society Conference</a>  | Richmond, Virginia     | 20th October 2014   |
| 30th March-1st April 2015 | <a href="#">EURO Mini Conference on Improving HealthCare: new challenges, new multidisciplinary approaches</a>                   | Coimbra, Portugal      | 17th October 2014   |
| 11th-13th May, 2015       | <a href="#">INCOM2015</a>  | Ottawa, Canada         | 15th October 2014   |
| 15th-27th June 2015       | <a href="#">EURO Summer Institute on Online Optimization</a>   | Szeged, Hungary        | 30th September 2014 |

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