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Special Announcements

7th International Conference on Logistics and Maritime Systems

LOGMS 2017

Bergen, Norway, 23-26 August, 2017

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LOGMS 2017

<http://www.logms2017.org>

We are pleased to invite you to submit an abstract to LOGMS 2017. All works related to theoretical developments and applications of logistics and maritime systems are welcome.

Topics include (but are not limited to):

- *Analytics in logistics and maritime systems
- *Automation in container terminals
- *Carrier alliances and collaborative logistics
- *Data science and IT-technologies in logistics and maritime systems
- *Design of transportation networks
- *Empty container management
- *Environmental issues in transportation
- *Freight rates and markets
- *Industrial applications in transportation systems (air, sea, road and rail transport)
- *Multimodal transportation systems
- *Onshore transportation of containers
- *Optimization modeling and simulation analysis of logistics systems
- *Performance measures and efficiency analysis in logistics systems
- *Port operations
- *Real-time control of logistics activities in container terminals
- *Scheduling in logistics and maritime systems
- *Ship routing and fleet management
- *Shipping maintenance and warehouse services
- *Stowage plans for container vessels
- *Terminal design and operation
- *Transport planning in freight carrier networks
- *Vehicle routing and fleet management

Abstracts should contain no more than 500 words. Full papers presented at the conference will be welcome for consideration of publication in a special issue of the Flexible Services and Manufacturing Journal (Springer).

Important dates:

30 January 2017 - Deadline abstract submission

1 March 2017 - Notification of acceptance/rejection
30 June 2017 - Speaker registration deadline

LOGMS 2017 is co-organized with the **Norwegian Operations Research Society (NORS)**.

A EURO Plenary will be delivered by Professor Stefan Voss, The University of Hamburg.

For questions, please email us at: logms2017@nhh.no

The UK OR Society Pro Bono O.R.



Pro Bono O.R. is a scheme that connects volunteer O.R. analysts to short term projects with charitable organisations across the UK to assist them in making operational improvements.

In the last 3 years volunteers have given over 300 hours of their time equating to over £150,000 worth of volunteer hours. Each project whether it be 1 day or 10 days makes a difference to the recipient organisation and both the volunteers and the organisations comment on the positive experience that it is to both.

Recently the scheme coordinator was interviewed by The Influence Expert. To find out more about Felicity and the work she does you can read the article [here](#).

Pro Bono O.R. has completed several projects recently including: 'Gaining Strategic Insight with St Michael's Fellowship' and 'Understanding the Benefits of a Social Care Programme with Wave Trust'. Details of these projects can be found on the [Pro Bono blog](#) and on Felicity's [LinkedIn](#) page.

For more information about the scheme, to sign up as a volunteer, register your support to receive Pro Bono O.R. support and to see the projects we have worked on so far please visit: <http://www.theorsociety.com/Probono>

You can contact the scheme coordinator, Felicity McLeister via email: felicity.mcleister@theorsociety.com

Working Groups

EURO Working Group on Efficiency and Productivity Analysis



Upcoming Events

<http://www.blqdataresearch.org/>

Webinar - An Introduction to Social Network Analysis

Date: **2 December 2016**

Time: 1pm to 2pm

<http://www.blqdataresearch.org/socialnetworkwebinar/>

[Book now](#)

This webinar has been arranged by the Business and Local Government Data Research Centre as part of [SASNet](#) (Social Analytics Strategic Network).

Webinar - Understanding Open Source GIS

Date: **9 December 2016**

Time: 1pm to 2pm

<http://www.blqdataresearch.org/osgiswebinar/>

[Book now](#)

Training - Empowering the Public Sector: Delving into Data Analytics

Date: **12 and 13 January 2017**

<http://www.blqdataresearch.org/empowerpublicsector/>

An Overview of Agent Based Modelling

Date: **Thursday 12 January**

Time: 10am - 12.45pm (9.30am registration)
Location: PC Lab M, Colchester Campus, University of Essex

Book this [individual session](#), or book the [whole series](#).

Predictive modelling: shifting from reaction to prevention

Date: **Thursday 12 January**
Time: 1.45pm - 4.30pm
Location: EBS.1.1, Colchester Campus, University of Essex

Book this [individual session](#), or book the [whole series](#).

Data linkage techniques (GIS)

Date: **Friday 13 January**
Time: 10am - 12.45pm (9.30am registration)
Location: PC Lab M, Colchester Campus, University of Essex

Book this [individual session](#), or book the [whole series](#).

EURO Working Group on Decision Support Systems ICDSST 2017 Namur, Belgium, 29-31 May, 2017



<https://icdsst2017.wordpress.com/>

Purpose of the ICDSST 2017

The main purpose of the EWG-DSS 2017 International Conference on Decision Support System Technology (ICDSST 2017), with its main theme on "Data, Information and Knowledge Visualisation in Decision Making", is to attract researchers, developers and specialists in the related areas of decision making, including its methodologies and technologies, as well as application oriented practitioners directed to the implementation of solutions for societal challenges, to get together in order to exchange experiences and identify the key issues within the areas in focus, so that exploitation of new approaches and tools for future developments can take place.

Depending on the research domain, frontiers between data, information and knowledge are not always very formally specified. Whatever the chosen definition, one will agree on the fact that the three of them are concerned with decision, decision making and decision support

ICDSST 2017 Main Theme

This ICDSST 2017 will study the role, the qualities, the models and methods offered by visualisation of data, information and knowledge in the process of decision and the mechanisms of decision support. From data analysis, to knowledge sharing, going through information extraction, visualisation can offer key support to all the phases of a decision making process. In particular, in group decision, where communication is a critical aspect, an efficient visual support facilitates the process.

Important dates

Full papers

Submission: **15 December 2016**
Authors' notification: 15 February 2017
Camera ready version: 28 February 2017

Short papers

Submission: **1 March 2017**
Authors' notification: 10 April 2017
Camera ready version: 20 April 2017

Poster Session

Submission: **15 March 2017**
Authors' notification: 10 April 2017
Camera ready version: 20 April 2017

Participation
Registration: May 8, 2017

EURO Working Group on OR in Sports MathSport International 2017 (6th International Conference on Mathematics in Sport) Padua, Italy, 26-28 June, 2017



<http://www.mathsportinternational2017.math.unipd.it/index.html>

We invite you to submit an abstract for the 6th International Conference on Mathematics in Sport. Submissions in all areas where sports and mathematics meet are welcome. The term sport is interpreted liberally and includes games, gambling, and lotteries. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to: Mathematical and physical models in sports, Performance measures and models, Optimisation of sport performance, Statistics and probability models in sport, Match outcome models, Operations Research in Sport, Competitive strategy, Game theoretical models, Optimal tournament design, Sports scheduling, Decision support systems, Analysis of rules and adjudication, Econometrics in sport, Analysis of sporting technologies, Mathematics education and sport, Computationally intensive methods, Financial valuation in sport, E-sports (gaming), Betting and sports

Abstracts should be at most 2000 characters (spaces included) long, in English, and they must be submitted through the EasyChair website. The final date for abstract submission is **30 January 2017**, and you will be notified of acceptance by 24 February 2017. At least one author of each accepted paper must register and present the work at the conference. Registration will be at the conference website, <http://www.mathsportinternational2017.math.unipd.it/index.html>, at a discounted rate until 15 May 2017. Accommodation info at the website.

Authors of accepted abstracts are encouraged to submit their paper for the conference Proceedings (even if it is work in progress), until 24 April 2017. Padova University Press will distribute the book of accepted proceedings (in digital form in a USB pen drive with ISBN) to all participants.

Deadlines:

Abstract submission: **30 January 2017**
Latest notification of acceptance: 24 February 2017
Submission of papers for Proceedings: 24 April 2017
Early registration: 15 May 2017

Registration fees:

Until 15 May: €380 (students: €250, accompanying person: €100)
From 16 May: €450 (students: €300, accompanying person: €120)

Supported by:

This conference is supported by: University of Padova, Mathematics Department of University of Padova, EURO Working Group OR in Sports, Royal Statistical Society Statistics in Sport section

EURO Working Group on Humanitarian Operations

HOpe Mini-Conference

Vienna, Austria, 29-30 June 2017



<https://www.wu.ac.at/en/scm/about-the-conference/>

The European Working Group on Humanitarian Logistics (EURO HOPE) and WU-Vienna University of Economics and Business are organizing the second EURO HOPE mini-conference in Vienna.

The topics addressed will be "**the role of private companies in humanitarian operations**" as well as "**challenges of the refugee movement 2016/17**".

There is no conference fee.

Due to space limitations, if you plan to participate please apply via the online form by **28 March 2017**.

After the application you will receive an email concerning the acceptance decision. Priority will be given to Postdoctoral researchers and Professors.

For further information, please contact the organizing team at WU Vienna via email (christian.burkart@wu.ac.at).

EURO Working Group on Vehicle Routing and Logistics

VeRoLog 2017

Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 10-12 July 2017



The VeRoLog conference is an established annual meeting of the EURO Working Group on Vehicle Routing and Logistics Optimization (VeRoLog) bringing together the large community of researchers and practitioners interested in vehicle routing optimization and its relationship with logistics. The conference is open to high-quality methodological contributions, relevant real-world applications, and case studies from industry and the service sector.

The sixth meeting of the EURO Working Group on Vehicle Routing and Logistics Optimization is taking place at the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, on July 10-12, 2017. The workshop is a joint initiative of the Logistics research group of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (VU Amsterdam) and the School of Industrial Engineering of Eindhoven University of Technology (TU/e).

Abstract Submission

Submissions to VeRoLog 2017 are in the form of a short abstract. Abstracts should be electronically submitted via the conference website (to be announced soon). Accepted abstracts with a registered presenter will be included in the book of abstracts. At most

one presentation per registered participant will be accepted. For organizational reasons, the number of participants will be limited to 250. All selected abstracts will be presented in parallel sessions during the conference.

Important Dates

- *December 2016: abstract submission opens
- *February 28, 2017: abstract submission deadline
- *March 31, 2017: Notification of acceptance
- *May 15, 2017: deadline for early registration

Registration

- *student: 300 EUR (early) - 400 EUR (late)
 - *regular: 450 EUR (early) - 550 EUR (late)
- The fee includes lunch and coffee breaks, the social program and the conference dinner.

EURO Working Group on Transportation 20th EURO Working Group on Transportation Meeting Budapest, Hungary, 4-6 September, 2017



<http://ewgt2017.bme.hu/>

Submission guidelines

Only original papers are considered for presentation at the conference. Abstracts of max 250 words might be submitted by **December 15th 2016**. The papers will be reviewed by independent experts and by members of the program committee.

The Easychair submission page is reachable through the following link:

<https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=ewgt2017>

Important Dates

- Abstract submission: **December 15th 2016**
- Notification of acceptance: January 31st 2017
- Full paper submission: March 31st 2017
- Early registration: June 30th 2017

Conference Fee*

- Early registration / late registration
- full price: 400 EUR / 500 EUR
- reduced: 250 EUR / 300 EUR
- *plus VAT (if applicable)

Program

Technical visits (traffic management centre of Budapest) and lab visits will be prepared. For both evenings of the conference glamorous events with dinner will be organized. On the first evening an elegant restaurant will be visited in the heart of Budapest. The participants will also have the opportunity to enjoy the panorama of the city from a different angle on the other evening.

Conference content

The conference aims to bring together experts from the academia, industry and public sector. The conference fee includes: conference attendance, coffee breaks, lunches, evening events with dinner, printed program book and proceedings with full papers in electronic format. Students are eligible for reduced fees.

Conferences and Meetings

Italian Operational Research Society (AIRO) 1st AIROYoung workshop on "Emerging Optimization Problems on Complex Networks" Rome, Italy, 16-17 February, 2017



We wish to introduce to your attention **AIROYoung**; the youth chapter of the Italian Operational Research Society (AIRO) was established last September during the AIRO International Conference (www.airoyoung.org).

We are planning to have the first AIROYoung workshop on "Emerging Optimization Problems on Complex Networks" which will take place at the Statistical Department of the University of Rome, Sapienza on 16th-17th February 2017.

All AIROYoung members, PhD students in Operations Research and people who obtained the PhD in the last five years or who are

under 35 years interested in Operations Research, are invited to present their work.

High-quality contributions from young researchers need not be limited to the workshop theme.

In this preliminary announcement we ask you to save the date. Further information (other activities, social program, invited speakers, etc.) will be given as soon as possible.

We hope you will be able to join us!

For organizational reasons, please let us know if you will be able to attend this exciting workshop.

Please fill the participation form at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdqODvqkqfvYVoU4cBKXjWAdB2QO5KidsRmxZLKhdoskweplQ/viewform>

The event and further info will be published also on our website (www.airoyoung.org).

Polish Operational Research Society (POSRS) 7th International Workshop on Multiple Criteria Decision Making' 17



Ustroń, Poland, 2-4 April, 2017

<http://www.iwomcdm.ue.katowice.pl>

International Workshop on Multiple Decision Criteria Making (IWoMCDM) is a scientific event organized every 2 years in Jaskółka Hotel in Ustroń, in the south of Poland among the charming hills of Beskid Mountains. It is organized by the Department of Operations Research, University of Economics in Katowice, in cooperation with the Polish Mathematical Society Upper Silesia Branch, INFORMS Polish Section and Polish Operational and Systems Research Society.

It is devoted to the theory and applications in the field of multiobjective optimization, goal programming and multiple criteria decision aid. IWoMCDM papers, after the blind review process, are published in the international journal Multiple Criteria Decision Making (ISSN 2084-1531).

IWoMCDM has been organized since 2005 and accompanies the Polish National Conference on Preference Modelling and Risk. In both events more than 100 participants usually take part, which gives an opportunity to discuss and solve scientific problems in a circle of professionals or start the cooperation and joint future research.

Papers submitted to IWoMCDM should be focused on:

- *multiobjective mathematical programming
- *multiattribute utility theory
- *MCDA methods
- *data envelopment analysis
- *interactive methods
- *fuzzy approaches
- *meta-heuristics
- *group decision making
- *other theoretical and applicational MCDM issues

The papers submitted to IWoMCDM'17 may be up to 40000 characters long.

The important dates are as follows:

- *Registration: **15.01.2017**
- *Abstract submission: **15.01.2017**
- *Abstract approval: 30.01.2017
- *Full paper submission: 31.03.2017
- *Fee payment: from 01.12.2016 to 15.03.2017

IWoMCDM fee is 350 EUR. The registration fee includes: accommodation (full board), conference materials and publication in Multiple Criteria Decision Making vol.12 (2017) or vol.13 (2018).

UK Operational Research Society (ORS) IMA and OR Society Conference on Mathematics of Operational Research Birmingham, UK, 20-21 April, 2017



http://www.ima.org.uk/conferences/conferences_calendar/maths_of_operational_research.html

Innovating Mathematics for New Industrial Challenges

The conference will aim to draw together the considerable community of researchers and practitioners who develop new mathematics of relevance to and which underpin applications in Operational Research (OR). It will take a comprehensive view, will showcase activity from across OR, and will welcome both contributions which have a clear application focus as well as those which are theoretically driven.

Contributions will be expected to showcase both significant new mathematics and OR relevance. The conference will host plenaries from leading international experts.

Invited Speakers

Professor Jacek Gondzio (University of Edinburgh)
Professor Edward Kaplan (Yale School of Management)
Guillermo Ortega (European Space Agency)
Professor Bert Zwart (CWI Amsterdam)

Call for Papers: Papers will be considered for the conference based on a 300 word abstract for oral presentation. Abstracts should be submitted by **Friday 30 December 2016** via <https://my.ima.org.uk/>*

Call for Posters: The poster session provides an opportunity for academics and practitioners to showcase their challenges and the latest developments across the academic-practitioner interface. We are inviting posters to showcase a problem you are working on, a challenge which you think could be solved by an academic-practitioner partnership, or a successful academic-practitioner collaboration. Posters will be considered for the conference based on a 300 word abstract. Abstracts should be submitted by **Friday 24 February 2017** via <https://my.ima.org.uk/>*

Conference Fees - registration is open via <https://my.ima.org.uk/>*

Early Bird Fees

IMA/OR Society Member: £245
IMA/OR Society Student £160
Non IMA/OR Society Member: £325
Non IMA/OR Society Student: £170

Early Bird fees will be available until Monday 27 March 2017, after which the fees will be:

IMA/OR Society Member: £265
IMA/OR Society Student: £180
Non IMA/OR Society Member: £345
Non IMA/OR Society Student: £190

Early Bird Fees must be paid by Monday 27 March 2017 otherwise the higher price will be implemented.

Residential Fee £240 including 2 nights single B&B accommodation at the university with the conference dinner
Conference Dinner £40 for non-residents

*If you are an IMA Member or you have previously registered for an IMA conference, then you are already on our database. Please "request a new password" using the email address previously used, to log in.

Further information

For general conference queries please contact Lizzi Lake, Conference Officer
E-mail: conferences@ima.org.uk

Operations Research Society of Israel

Annual meeting of ORSIS

Bar-Ilan, Israel, 21-22 May, 2017

<http://orsis.net.technion.ac.il/>

The conference will be held on May 21-22 at Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, Israel

The head of the organizing committee is Dr. Yael Perleman from Bar-Ilan University. Her email is:
Yael.Perlman@biu.ac.il



Portuguese Operational Research Society (APDIO)



XVIII Congress of the Portuguese Association of Operational Research (IO 2017)

Valença, Portugal, 28-30 June, 2017

<http://apdio.pt/en/web/io2017/home>

Operational Research is an applied science that brings to decision making activities the attitude and methods of science. It aims at helping public authorities, enterprises and other organizations to improve their decision processes and to obtain better results. The

Portuguese Operational Research (APDIO) promotes multiple activities to develop and to disseminate Operational Research, which include the APDIO Congress as a flagship event.

The XVIII Congress of APDIO will be, once again, our main event for professionals, researchers, educators and students interested in Operational Research, or simply willing to learn more about this exciting area. We shall learn, exchange stories of success and failure, socialize, and start new collaborations. We shall meet other communities, both in terms of scientific area and geographical area. In terms of scientific area, Operational Research intersects different fields of mathematics, management, economics, engineering and other sciences that easily relate to our community. In terms of geographical area, the proximity to Spain and particularly Galicia facilitates the presence of delegates from this country, but also other ones. Openness to different scientific areas and to other nationalities has been a tradition in APDIO congresses. To reinforce this tradition, we shall have in this congress a stream of sessions entirely in English language.

During the congress the winners of the Isabel Themido and APDIO prizes will be awarded. These prizes recognize a scientific article and a PhD dissertation, respectively. Having students in mind, a new edition of EstudIO will be organized. This is a forum integrated in this congress dedicated to the presentation of selected work from masters and doctoral students. A magnificent scenery and welcoming people await us in Valença. We are thankful to the Organizing Committee for their hard work in organizing this event.

Confirmed plenary speakers:

Ruth Kaufman | president of the OR society (UK)
Ana Póvoa | University of Lisbon

We have excellent reasons to be together at the XVIII Congress of APDIO and we wait for you!

Deadline for abstract submission: **April 9th, 2017**
Abstract acceptance notification: April 16th, 2017

INFORMS Conference on Business Analytics and Operations Research

Analytics 2017

Las Vegas, USA, 2-4 April, 2017



<http://meetings2.informs.org/wordpress/analytics2017/>

Analytics 2017 (The INFORMS Conference on Business Analytics and Operations Research) is the one analytics conference that consistently delivers proven applications and processes that will improve your business's bottom line.

Analytics 2017 will bring together nearly 1,000 leading analytics professionals and industry experts (executives, analysts, managers, researchers, data scientists, modelers, etc.) to share ideas, network and learn about a range of current topics.

Abstract Submission NOW OPEN!

Deadline for submissions is **January 15, 2017**

INFORMS Transportation and Logistics Society. First Triennial Conference.

Chicago, USA, 26-29 July, 2017



www.informs.org/Community/TSL/TSL-Conference

The Transportation Science and Logistics Society Conference has been created to provide an opportunity for all members to gather on a triennial basis to present and to discuss the state-of-the-art in transportation science and logistics. The conference welcomes abstracts on all transportation science and logistics topics including air transportation, facility logistics, freight transportation and logistics, intelligent transportation systems, and urban transportation planning and modeling. Abstracts supporting the conference theme, MOBILITY 2020: Traffic, Transportation and Logistics in a Cyber Connected World, are highly encouraged. Submissions focusing on innovation in transportation and logistics will receive special attention.

Abstract submission: easychair.org/conferences/?conf=tslconference2017

Abstracts should be 3-5 pages in length. To ensure all presentations are of the highest quality, abstracts should highlight the main contributions of the research and include outcomes of computational studies, if applicable.

Dates of interest:

Abstract submission deadline: **15/12/2016**
Notification of acceptance: 1/2/2017
Deadline for early registration: 1/4/2017

Registration:

Early Bird Registration (before 4/1/2017): \$375
Regular Registration: \$425
On-site Registration: \$500
Student Registration (does not include welcome reception or conference dinner): \$150

Guest Registration (welcome reception and conference dinner): \$200
Non-TSL members add \$25 to each registration above
Some registration scholarships will be available for PhD students

The goal is to keep the conference small enough for deep interactions and large enough to accommodate the TSL Society's wide interests. With this in mind, there may be at most one paper presentation per registered presenter. Also, each presentation must be accompanied by at least one full paid registration.

Program:

The conference will be organized around a small number of parallel tracks. The conference will also include plenaries organized around the theme MOBILITY 2020: Traffic, Transportation and Logistics in a Cyber Connected World. The organizing committee plans plenaries from both industry and academic speakers.

Group Decision and Negotiation International Conference (GDN 2017) Stuttgart, Germany, 14-18 August, 2017



<http://www.gdn2017.org/>

The 17th International Conference on Group Decision and Negotiation will be held at the University of Hohenheim in Stuttgart, Germany. This conference of the INFORMS GDN section provides a forum for researchers from Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, and Oceania. The Conference is the premier venue for academics, practitioners, teachers, and consultants involved in every aspect of group decision and negotiation involving human as well as artificial agents.

There will be keynotes delivered by world-class experts and a variety of presentations and panels featuring international researchers. The conference will also support junior researchers by offering a dedicated student track and a doctoral consortium.

Selected papers will be published in the Special Issue of the Group Decision and Negotiation journal, affiliated with INFORMS and published by Springer, or in one of the journal's regular issues. GDN Springer Best Paper Awards (\$600 and \$400 and GDN Springer Young Researcher Awards (\$400 and \$250) will be granted.

Paper submission dates:

*Deadline for submitting Session Proposals: 1 Nov. 2016

*Deadline for submission to the Springer Proceedings and extended abstracts: **15 Dec. 2016**

*Author notification: 31 Jan. 2017

*Revision deadline: 28 Feb. 2017

1-day symposium on "Combinatorial Optimization and Applications" Edinburgh, Scotland, 10 February, 2017

<http://www.maths.ed.ac.uk/~jkalcsic/index.html>

You are cordially invited to participate in the 1-day symposium "Combinatorial Optimization and Applications" at the University of Edinburgh on the 10th of February 2017.

We are delighted to announce the following invited speakers:

*Horst W. Hamacher (TU Kaiserslautern, Germany)

*Martine Labbé (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)

*Marco Lübbecke (RWTH Aachen University, Germany)

*Alfredo Marín (Universidad de Murcia, Spain)

*Pedro Munari (Universidade Federal de São Carlos, Brazil)

*François Vanderbeck (Université de Bordeaux, France)

In addition to the six plenary talks, there will be one dedicated session with three conference presentations. If you are interested in presenting your work, please send an abstract of at most one page to coa2017@mlist.is.ed.ac.uk. The deadline for submitting an abstract is Friday, the **9th of December 2016**. Notification of acceptance will be one week later.

Participation is free of charge, but you are required to register for catering and organizational purposes. The deadline for registration is on the **27th of January 2017**.

The symposium will be held at the University of Edinburgh's George Square campus, which is within short walking distance from the city centre and Waverly train station.

2nd International Conference on Sport Economics & Sport Management (SESM)

Berlin, Germany, 11-12 May, 2017

<http://sesmberlin.wixsite.com/smse>

The conference will provide a platform for exchanging innovative thoughts and creating cooperation between researchers in the fields of sport management and economics. We are inviting proposals for paper presentations as well as complete sessions consisting out of three papers/presenters. This conference provides researchers with an opportunity to present theoretical, empirical, and policy-oriented research.

Deadline for paper submission: **31st Dec, 2016**.

EWEPa (15th European Workshop on Efficiency and Productivity Analysis) London, UK, 12-15 June, 2017

ewepa.org

Welcome to the 15th European Workshop on Efficiency and Productivity Analysis (EWEPa). In 2017 this conference is organised by the Centre for Productivity and Performance (CPP) and the School of Business and Economics of Loughborough University, UK.

EWEPa has long been established as a major biennial conference on the topics of productivity, efficiency and performance analysis. Thus the six most recent EWEPa conferences were held in Brussels (2005), Lille (2007), Pisa (2009), Verona (2011), and Helsinki (2013 and 2015).

We expect a very large number of participants to attend EWEPa in London, from a wide international community. Presentations are invited on the theory and application of economics, econometrics, statistics, management science and operational research related to problems in the areas of productivity and efficiency. All popular techniques and methodologies will be represented, including stochastic frontier analysis, data envelopment analysis, bootstrapping approaches, and many more. We also welcome papers on broader issues related to measuring, understanding, incentivising and improving the productivity and performance of firms, public services and industries.

Important dates:

Abstract submission closes: **1 February 2017**

Notification of acceptance: 8 February 2017

Early registration ends: 1 March 2017

Registration deadline for the abstract to appear in the printed program: 31 March 2017

Queries may be addressed to Ms Claire Walker at C.Walker@lboro.ac.uk

MAPSP 2017 (13th Workshop on Models and Algorithms for Planning and Scheduling Problems)

Seeon-Seebrück, Germany, 12-16 June, 2017

<http://www.mapsp2017.de/>

MAPSP is a biennial workshop dedicated to all theoretical and practical aspects of scheduling, planning, and timetabling.

The 13th Workshop on Models and Algorithms for Planning and Scheduling Problems (MAPSP 2017) will take place in Seeon Abbey (Kloster Seeon), in Seeon-Seebruck, in the week of June 12-16, 2017. Seeon-Seebruck is a small and picturesque town in Chiemgau in Upper Bavaria at the foothills of the Alps, about six kilometers north of Lake Chiemsee.

The program will consist of invited plenary lectures and shorter contributed talks. The invited speakers are:

Nikhil Bansal (Eindhoven University of Technology)

Bernhard Haeupler (Carnegie Mellon University)

Monika Henzinger (University of Vienna)

Jochen Könemann (University of Waterloo)

Rolf H. Möhring (TU Berlin & BISEC, Beijing)

Submissions:

MAPSP submissions undergo a selection process based on a light refereeing by the Program Committee. MAPSP does not publish proceedings other than a conference booklet (no ISSN). Hence, presenting your paper at MAPSP will not prevent you from submitting it to journals or to other conferences. Similarly, it is acceptable to submit a paper that was presented at an earlier conference.

Abstracts of 2-3 pages must be submitted using EasyChair according to the guidelines at www.mapsp2017.de.

Submission Link: <https://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=mapsp2017>

Important dates:

Submissions: **January 28, 2017**

Notification: March 6, 2017

Early registration: April 1, 2017

Conference: June 12-16, 2017

LION 11, Eleventh Learning and Intelligent Optimization Conference

Nizhny Novgorod, Russia, 19-21 June, 2017

<http://intelligent-optimization.org/lion11/>

Scope

Practitioners using heuristic algorithms for hard optimization problems are confronted with the burden of selecting the most appropriate method, in many cases through expensive algorithm configuration and parameter tuning. Scientists seek theoretical insights and demand a sound experimental methodology for evaluating algorithms and assessing strengths and weaknesses. This effort requires a clear separation between the algorithm and the experimenter, who, in too many cases, is "in the loop" as a motivated intelligent learning component. LION deals with designing and engineering ways of "learning" about the performance of different techniques, and ways of using past experience about the algorithm behavior to improve performance in the future. Intelligent learning schemes for mining the knowledge obtained online or offline can improve the algorithm design process and simplify the applications of high-performance optimization methods. Combinations of different algorithms can further improve the robustness and performance of the individual components.

This meeting, which continues the successful LION series, explores the intersections and uncharted territories between machine learning, artificial intelligence, mathematical programming and algorithms for hard optimization problems. Russia has a long tradition in optimization theory, computational mathematics and "intelligent learning techniques" (in particular cybernetics and statistics). The location of LION11 in Nizhny is an occasion to meet researchers and consolidate research and human links. In internet time the value of a conference must go well beyond presenting scientific papers. In particular, we are discussing and planning:

- *Contests in continuous and discrete optimization.
- *Sessions dedicated to commercial software and open source initiatives.
- *Parallel computing, supercomputing, and cloud for "big optimization".
- *Elevator pitches about new and crazy ideas (also by PhD students).
- *Tutorials about methods and software.

Submission Instructions

Please prepare your paper in English using the Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS) template. Papers must be submitted in PDF.

Types of Submissions

When submitting a paper to LION11, authors are required to select one of the following three types of papers:

- *Long paper: original novel and unpublished work (max. 15 pages in LNCS format);
- *Short paper: an extended abstract of novel work (max. 6 pages in LNCS format);
- *Work for oral presentation only (no page restriction; any format). For example, work already published elsewhere, which is relevant and which may solicit fruitful discussion at the conference.

Important Dates

Submission deadline	December 18, 2016
Notification of acceptance	March 10, 2017
Conference	June 19-21, 2017

Workshop in Mixed Integer Programming (MIP 2017)

Québec, Canada, 19-22 June, 2017

<https://sites.google.com/site/mipworkshop2017/>

We are pleased to announce that the 2017 workshop in Mixed Integer Programming (MIP 2017) will be held June 19-22 at HEC Montréal (Quebec, Canada). The 2017 Mixed Integer Programming workshop will be the fourteenth in a series of annual workshops held in North America designed to bring the integer programming community together to discuss very recent developments in the field. The workshop consists of a single track of invited talks and features a poster session that provides an additional opportunity to share and discuss recent research in MIP. Registration details, a list of confirmed speakers, a call for participation in the poster session, and information about student travel awards will be made in a subsequent announcement.

15th International Conference on Data Envelopment Analysis. DEA2017.

Prague, Czech Republic, 26-29 June, 2017

<http://www.deaconference.com/dea2017/home/index.html>

The organizers of the 15th International Conference on Data Envelopment Analysis have the great pleasure of inviting you to participate in the DEA2017 Conference to be held at University of Economics, Prague in the Czech Republic, on June 26 to 29, 2017. The University of Economics, Prague (also called Prague School of Economics) is the leading economics and business-oriented public university in the Czech Republic. It is the largest and most selective university in the fields of economics, business and information technologies in the Czech Republic with almost 20,000 students in its bachelors, masters and doctoral programmes, and considered a top business school in Central Europe.

In the beautiful city of Prague, DEA2017 plans to bring together researchers and practitioners interested in the development of the DEA methodology and its applications to performance management in both public and private sectors. Theoretical and empirical

papers on DEA and related fields in efficiency and productivity analysis as well as performance measurement are invited.

In addition to paper presentation sessions, panel discussions and keynote speech sessions, the DEA2017 provides a series of tutorials on the pre-conference day.

More information about scientific and social programs as well as paper submission can be found at www.deaconference.com/dea2017.

Important Dates

Abstract submission closes: **January 31, 2017**

Notification of acceptance: February 15, 2017

Early registration ends: March 15, 2017

Registration for abstracts to be included in the program ends: March 31, 2017

Metaheuristics International Conference (MIC 2017)

Barcelona, Spain, 4-7 July, 2017

<http://mic2017.upf.edu/welcome/>

The MIC conference series was established in 1995 and this is its 12th edition. MIC is the main event focusing on the progress of the area of Metaheuristics and their applications. As in previous editions, MIC 2017 will provide an opportunity to the international research community in Metaheuristics to discuss recent research results, to develop new ideas and collaborations, and to meet old and make new friends in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

Presentations covering all aspects of Metaheuristic research such as new algorithmic developments, industrial applications, new research challenges, theoretical developments, implementation issues, in-depth experimental studies, hybrid metaheuristics, etc. are welcome.

The MIC 2017 will be organized jointly with the **MAEB (Metaheurísticas, Algoritmos Evolutivos y Bioinspirados)**, the most well known conference in the area of Metaheuristics, Evolutionary and Bio-Inspired Algorithms.

Paper Submissions

Authors are encouraged to submit unpublished and outstanding original contributions in one of the above topics (Techniques, Empirical and Theoretical Research, Industrial Applications, Interface of Metaheuristics and Challenging New Problems). Submission is only electronic, in PDF format, using the easychair system.

S1) Original research contributions for publication in the conference proceedings of a maximum of 10 pages.

S2) Extended abstracts of work-in-progress of a maximum of 3 pages.

S3) High-quality manuscripts that have recently, within the last six months, been submitted or accepted for journal publication.

All contributed paper submissions will be peer reviewed. All submitted papers must follow the submitted guidelines below. Accepted papers will be published in the online proceedings that will be available at the conference. Accepted contributions of categories S1 and S2 will be published in the MIC 2017 conference proceedings. Accepted contributions of category S3 will be orally presented at the conference, but not be included into the conference proceedings.

Important Dates

Submission: **January 23, 2017**

Notification: February 27, 2017

Camera-ready: March 6, 2017

Registration: March 31, 2017

Publications

OR Spectrum



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Retail Operations

Guest Editors:

Pedro Amorim, Alexander Hübner, Heinrich Kuhn, Stefan Minner, Tom van Woensel

Deadline for submission: **December 31, 2016**

Operations management in retailing emerged as a substantial area of research in recent years. There are several drivers of this advent. Retailing is a significant sector of the economy in which changes in markets, firms, processes and products occur rapidly. The retail industry has been a thought leader in the development and design of advanced operations concepts and processes since the 1990s. Firms like Amazon, Zara or Walmart developed operational innovations which have been adopted also in other industries. In the last decade, e-commerce and omni-channel retailing, technological advances and the rise of big data have changed retail practice, operational requirements and the competitive landscape. Retail operations have unique elements, such as multi-channel operations, assortment planning, shelf-space allocation, store execution that are different from issues faced by other players in the supply chain.

The continued development of quantitative models, their practical need, and the growing availability of data motivates an increasing number of scientists and practitioners to intensify research on demand and supply-related issues in retail and consumer goods industries. The objective of this special issue is to accelerate the development and application of quantitative approaches for problem-solving and decision-making in retail operations. The special issue will consider contributions concerned with quantitative methods and applications for the retail and consumer goods industry. The primary aim of this special issue is to create an outlet for such research efforts. Topics that are of interest for this special issue include but are not limited to:

- *Retail and consumer goods supply chain management
- *Warehouse and inventory management in retailing
- *Distribution and vehicle routing planning in retailing
- *Logistics and operations in multi/omni-channel retailing and e-fulfillment
- *Interface of retail operations with other functions such as finance, human resources, marketing, and strategy
- *In-store operations, backroom management, shelf space allocation planning and in-store inventory management
- *Manufacturer and retailer cooperation
- *Category management and assortment policy
- *Revenue management, dynamic pricing and promotions management
- *Demand forecasting for retailing

Submission Guidelines and Review Process: Papers must be submitted by **December 31, 2016** at <http://www.editorialmanager.com/orisp/> under category "**S.I. Retail Operations**". All papers submitted to this special issue should report original work. According to the aims of OR Spectrum, high quality OR papers are wanted that are relevant to the scope of the journal, show rigor in applying state-of-the-art OR techniques, are innovative, and promise to have an impact on future work of the scientific OR community. Each paper will be screened by the Editor-in-Chief and one special issue editor. If the paper is deemed to be of sufficient quality, it will be reviewed according to the standards of OR Spectrum by at least two experienced reviewers and an editor. We will adopt a rapid and fair review process striving to provide reviews within three months of submission. Accepted papers will be available online prior to the publication of the special issue.

For questions regarding the suitability of a paper for the special issue, please contact one of the SI editors.

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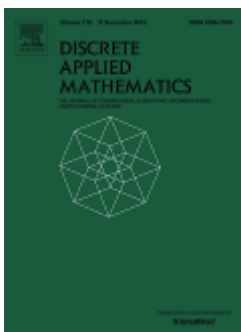
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Discrete Applied Mathematics



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Computational Advances in Combinatorial Optimization

Guest Editors:
Tibor Jordán, Tamás Kis, Silvano Martello

Deadline for submission: **January 15, 2017**

This special issue will present recent advances in all areas of Combinatorial Optimization. The issue will be based on contributions presented at ECCO XXIX (Budapest, May 26-28, 2016), but the invitation to submit is extended to all ECCO and CO members.

Main topics of interest are (but not restricted to):

- *Approximation algorithms
- *Exact algorithms
- *Graphs and networks
- *Heuristics
- *Mathematical programming
- *Metaheuristics
- *Scheduling

All articles will be thoroughly refereed according to the high standards of Discrete Applied Mathematics.

The full papers must be submitted through the Elsevier Editorial System <http://ees.elsevier.com/dam>. When submitting your paper, be sure to specify that the paper is a contribution for the Special Issue of **ECCO-CO**, so that your paper is assigned to the guest editors. Please see the Author Instructions on the site if you have not yet submitted a paper through this web-based system. Make sure to note that your work is intended for the Special Issue and to choose the article type: **SI: ECCO2016**.

Accepted papers will be published online individually, before print publication.

We are looking forward to receiving your contribution

Air Transport Management



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Multiple Criteria Decision Making in Air Transport Management

Guest Editors:

Jafar Rezaei and Miłosz Kadziński

Deadline for submission: **February 15, 2017**

<http://www.journals.elsevier.com/journal-of-air-transport-management/call-for-papers/call-for-papers-on-special-issue-multiple-criteria-decision>

Real-world decision problems require analysis of pertinent factors that affect a final decision. Nowadays, for most industries - including air transport and logistics - to get and maintain competitive advantage, it is not sufficient to consider traditional single-criterion models oriented towards cost minimization or profit maximization. Consequently, other important impacts and goals need to be accounted. These concern, for instance, flexibility, security, frequency, reliability, efficiency, or sustainability.

As multiple criteria are usually in conflict, conclusions which can be derived only from the analysis of performances of considered alternatives on a set of criteria are usually too weak. Therefore, working out a recommendation relies, to a high degree, on the preference information elicited from the stakeholders playing the role of decision makers (DMs).

Multiple Criteria Decision Making (MCDM) offers a diversity of methods designed for structuring the decision problems and carrying forward its solution by incorporating human judgment into data analysis. In this regard, MCDM approaches are of essential help in constructing a model of Decision Makers' preferences and its subsequent exploitation which leads to a recommendation on how to make a new decision under specific circumstances. At the same time, they offer tools which are appropriate for answering questions asked by stakeholders in a decision process.

Over the last decades, MCDM has proven its usefulness in such various fields as management, education, finance, economics, environmental protection, medicine, or engineering. Due to numerous successful applications, it becomes more and more prevailing also in other industries. This special issue aims to collect some high quality papers which apply MCDM methods in air transport and logistics management, thus, illustrating how this domain can benefit from the use of MCDM. Submitted papers should not have been previously published or be currently under consideration for publication elsewhere.

Scope of the special issue

The special issue covers the applications of all MCDM methods (multi-attribute decision-making, multi-objective optimization, efficiency analysis with MCDM-inspired models) in all areas of air transport and logistics management.

Potential topics include, but are not limited to, the applications of MCDM approaches in:

- *Air transport policy and regulation,
- *Airline safety and security,
- *Airline management,
- *Cargo handling management,
- *Sustainability in air transport,
- *Financial decisions in air transport,
- *Marketing in air transport,
- *Analysis of efficiency of airports and airlines,
- *Evaluation of service quality,
- *Air traffic management,
- *Airport management,
- *Supporting innovation,
- *Revenue management.

Manuscript Preparation and Submission:

All manuscripts must be submitted through the online submission system (EVISE) of the Journal of Air Transport Management. During the submission process, it must be indicated that the manuscript is intended for this special issue by selecting SI: "SI:MCDM".

Before submission, authors must carefully read the journal's 'Author instructions' (<http://www.journals.elsevier.com/journal-of-air-transport-management>).

The papers are reviewed by at least two reviewers and are evaluated by the Guest Editors. The accepted papers are published online individually as 'Articles in Press' after final acceptance, and before final print publication.

Publication Schedule

Manuscript submission deadline **15 February 2017**

Publication date 30 November 2017

Inquiries

All inquiries about the special issue should be communicated through the Guest Editors Jafar Rezaei (j.rezaei@tudelft.nl) and Miłosz Kadziński (miłosz.kadzinski@cs.put.poznan.pl).

INFOR: Information Systems and Operational Research



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Facility Layout

Guest Editors:

Miguel F. Anjos and Manuel VC Vieira

Deadline for submission: **February 28, 2017**

Facility layout is a general class of operations research problems concerned with finding the optimal arrangement of a given number of non-overlapping indivisible departments within a given facility. The objective is to minimize the total expected cost of inter-departmental flows inside the facility, where the cost incurred for each pair of departments is equal to the distance between the centroids of the departments multiplied by their pairwise cost. Facility layout has been extensively studied in the literature since the 1960s, and has a variety of applications, particularly in flexible manufacturing systems and circuit design. It continues to be an active research area with many papers published each year in a variety of journals.

We invite papers that address the following topics, individually or in combination:

- *Unequal-areas or single-floor layout
- *Single-, double- and multi-row layout
- *Multi-floor layout
- *Corridor allocation problem
- *Quadratic assignment problem
- *Models
- *Algorithms
- *Exact and heuristic approaches
- *Applications
- *Other topics related to layout

Submission instructions

Only original manuscripts will be considered for publication in this special issue of INFOR.

Papers for consideration should be submitted via the [Editorial Manager Submission site](#). Please indicate a special-issue submission when you upload your paper.

All submissions will be refereed according to the usual standards of INFOR. Information about the journal, including author guidelines and other special issues in progress, is available [here](#). Additional information about the special issue can be obtained from the guest editors.

Deadlines

Deadline for Full Paper Submission: **2/28/2017**

Notification of 1st Review Outcome: 6/30/2017

Expected Publication: 1/6/2018

Discrete Applied Mathematics

Special Issue: Call for Papers on 10th International Colloquium on Graphs & Optimization

Guest Editors:

Yves Crama, Bernard gendron, and Bernard Ries



Deadline for submission: **February 28, 2017**

We are preparing a special issue of the journal Discrete Applied Mathematics devoted to the 10th International Colloquium on Graphs & Optimization that was held in Rigi Kaltbad, July 10 - July 14, 2016, to honor Martine Labbé, Jacek Blazewicz and Pavol Hell.

All interested researchers are invited to contribute to this special issue. Submissions of contributions not presented at the workshop are also welcome. The topics should relate to the themes of the workshop: Graph Theory, Scheduling and Optimization.

All submissions will be thoroughly refereed according to the high standards of Discrete Applied Mathematics.

The full papers must be submitted through the Elsevier Editorial System (<http://ees.elsevier.com/dam>). When submitting your paper, be sure to specify that the paper is a contribution for the special issue of GO X, so that your paper is assigned to the guest editors, by selecting the article type "**SI:GO X, Rigi Kaltbad, 2016**". Please see the author instructions on the site for any additional information.

Accepted papers will be published online individually, before print publication.

We are looking forward to receiving your contribution.

Decision Sciences



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Data Mining & Decision Analytics

Guest Editors:
Asil Oztekin and Dursun Delen

Deadline for submission: **February 28, 2017**

Decision analytics consists of three main components from raw data to final insightful decisions: descriptive analytics, predictive analytics, and prescriptive analytics. This special issue is focused on studies where theoretical foundation development, novel applied and methodological approaches are presented for improved managerial decision making practices. Data mining and decision analytics have strong foundations ranging from decision theory and operations research to advanced statistical modeling. Both have emerged to be successful when deployed in managerial decision making within a range of critical business areas including Accounting, Finance, Information Systems, International Business, Logistics, Management, Marketing, Production & Operations, and the Supply Chain. This in turn has drawn the attention of researchers from various disciplines as reflected in the growth of the conferences and workshops particularly themed with data mining and decision analytics. This special issue welcomes the best submissions of 2016 INFORMS Workshop on Data Mining & Decision Analytics, DSI 2016, ICIS 2016, AMCIS 2016, ECIS 2016, and HICSS 2017. Participants of this workshop and these conferences are highly encouraged to submit their extended and enriched papers to this special issue, fully conforming to the specifications of the Decision Sciences journal as outlined by its Author Guidelines.

While the targeted papers are desired to have very strong theoretical contribution in these areas, direct managerial implications should also be relevant and significant.

Deadline for full paper submissions: **February 28, 2017**
Final notifications to authors: end of February, 2018

Please see instructions on the journal's website <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/%28ISSN%291540-5915>. Please select article type "**Special Issue: Data Mining & Decision Analytics**" while uploading your paper.

Optimization Methods and Software

Special Issue: Call for Papers on Advances of Optimization in Science, Economics, Engineering and Medicine

Guest Editors:
Gerhard-Wilhelm Weber

Deadline for submission: **March 15, 2017**



Papers presented at the International Conference on Computational and Experimental Science and Engineering, ICCESN 2016, October 19-24, 2016, Kemer, Antalya, Turkey (<http://www.iccesn.org/>), will be considered for peer-reviewed publication in a special issue of the journal Optimization Methods and Software (OMS): <http://www.tandfonline.com/goms>.

The quality and topics of the submissions should correspond to the high standards of publications in OMS and its Aims and Scope: <http://www.tandfonline.com/action/journalInformation?show=aimsScope&journalCode=goms20>.

The paper length should not exceed 25 journal pages.

Submissions should follow the journal's style and guidelines presented here:

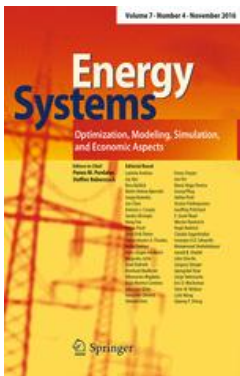
<http://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?journalCode=goms20&page=instructions>.

Manuscript submission must be made online via the journal's ScholarOne Manuscripts site

<http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/goms>.

To specify the special issue, choose "ICCESN-2016".

Energy Systems



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Optimization in Electric Power Distribution Systems

Guest Editors:

Mariana Resener, Panos Pardalos, and Sérgio Haffner

Extended Deadline for submission: **March 15, 2017**

In the recent years the distribution systems from the substations to the customers are facing significant changes, due to the growing number of distributed and variable energy generation resources and the smart grid implementation. The abilities to dynamically optimize the operation, integrate diverse distributed generation types, and integrate demand response and energy-efficiency resources are needed in this modern power system era. This special issue is intended to promote the research in Optimization in Electric Power Distribution Systems, focusing on optimal expansion and operation planning issues. We invite all members of the community to submit a paper.

Specific topics of interest include but are not limited to:

- *Distribution systems modelling in optimization problems,
- *Operation planning,
- *Expansion planning,
- *Optimal Volt/var control,
- *Optimizing the integration of renewable energy sources, storage devices, and electric-vehicle charging stations,
- *Deterministic and stochastic models for the energy management,
- *Operation and expansion planning in a smart grid scenario.

All submissions will be reviewed according to the standards of Energy Systems. Note that Energy Systems also accepts review papers. Please use Springer's LaTeX macro package and choose the formatting option "smallextended". Authors should submit their manuscripts via the Energy Systems online submission system selecting as article type "**SI:Distr**".

Important Dates:

Manuscript submission deadline: **March 15th, 2017**

Notification of the first review of the manuscript: June 30th, 2017

Service Science

Special Issue: Call for Papers on Advancing Health Services

Guest Editors:

Lisa Maillart and Maria Mayorga

Deadline for submission: **March 15, 2017**

Scope

Today's healthcare delivery systems face a multitude of economic and operational challenges including transitioning to value-based



care, transforming data into decisions, managing increasing drug prices, improving shared decision making between providers and patients, responding to industry consolidation, and providing care in resource-limited environments. The focus of this special issue is to highlight state-of-the-art research aimed at overcoming challenges such as these through the design and analysis of existing and emerging healthcare systems.

We seek innovative applications of science, management, and engineering that contribute to the current knowledge base on healthcare services and processes. Preference will be given to rigorous, interdisciplinary, data-driven approaches that demonstrate an improvement in accessibility, delivery, and quality of healthcare services.

In particular, we invite papers from disciplines including operations research, management science, computer science, statistics, economics, and marketing that use analytical modeling or empirical studies to address topics including, but not limited to the following:

*Emergency medical services (EMS)

- *Medical preparedness
- *Bed management/patient flow
- *Health facility location
- *Appointment scheduling and staffing
- *Personalized medicine
- *Preventive and predictive medicine
- *Telemedicine
- *Health IT
- *Mental health
- *Diagnostics

Review Process

Please prepare articles according to Service Science submission guidelines

(<http://pubsonline.informs.org/page/serv/submission-guidelines>) and submit through Service Science's manuscript central portal (<https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/serv>). Decisions will be reached within two review cycles.

Competitions, Prizes and Awards

EURO Working Group on Decision Support Systems

EWG-DSS 2017 Award



<https://ewgdss.wordpress.com/awards/>

The "EWG-DSS-Award" was launched in 2011 as a motivating research initiative for young researchers to submit and present their work in one of the EWG-DSS annual organized workshops and conference streams. The annual "EWG-DSS-Award" chooses the best and most innovative among submitted and presented work by students or young researchers, in the EWG-DSS organized workshops and conference streams of the same year, to be rewarded with a modest prize in money. The EWG-DSS hopes to count with sponsorship from research funds and from the industrial sector to make the "EWG-DSS-Award" more financially appealing. We hope you can support this initiative by financially sponsoring it if possible, or participating and/or disseminating this information among your students, colleagues, research partners and collaborators.

For 2017, applicable work submitted to the [EWG-DSS International Conference on Decision Support Systems Technology ICDSST 2017 in Namur, Belgium, in May 2017](#); and to the EWG-DSS Streams organized in other Conferences in 2017, will be taken into consideration for this award. Usually, the prize given in money is of €300,00. For the next year, the EWG-DSS hopes to count with sponsorship from research funds and from the industrial sector to make the "EWG-DSS-Award" financially appealing. More information will be available soon. We hope you like and support this initiative by participating and/or disseminating this information among your students, colleagues, research partners and collaborators.

2018 Flajolet Lecture Prize

The Philippe Flajolet Lecture Prize for outstanding contributions to analytic combinatorics and analysis of algorithms is awarded every two years by the Analysis of Algorithms (AoFA) community that owes its existence to Philippe Flajolet. The first Flajolet Lecture was presented by D. E. Knuth at the 2014 AoFA International Conference on Probabilistic, Combinatorial and Asymptotic Methods for the Analysis of Algorithms, Paris, France, and the second one by Bob Sedgewick at the 2016 AoFA Conference in Krakow, Poland.

The next Flajolet Lecture will be delivered at the 2018 AoFA Conference in Uppsala, Sweden. Nominations are due on February 28, 2017. The winner will be selected by a Prize Committee consisting of:

Michael Drmota, Chair (TU Wien)
Mireille Bousquet-Melou (Univ. Bordeaux)
Peter Winkler (Dartmouth College)
Bob Sedgewick, ex officio (Princeton University)

The nomination letter should summarize his/her contributions in one or two pages. All nominations should be sent to Michael Drmota at michael.drmota@tuwien.ac.at.

In selecting the Flajolet-Prize winner, the Committee will pay particular attention to a sustained record of high-impact, seminal

contributions to the research areas most directly impacted by the work of Flajolet: the foundations of analysis of algorithms and/or analytic combinatorics. The selection may also be based partly on educational accomplishments and contributions such as fundamental textbooks and high-quality students. The final selection will be approved by the Steering Committee of the AofA.

Upcoming Conferences

Event Date	Event	Location	Submission Deadline
5th-7th December 2016	2016 IEEE International Conference on Industrial Engineering and Engineering Management	Bali, Indonesia	15th June 2016
6th-8th December 2016	ICAMIS 2016 - International Conference on Applied Mechanics and Industrial Systems	Muscat, Oman	20th June 2016
6th-9th December 2016	2016 IEEE Symposium on Computational Intelligence in Multicriteria Decision-Making	Athens, Greece	15th August 2016
11th-14th December 2016	Winter Simulation Conference (WSC) 2016	Virginia, USA	6th April 2016
12th-15th December 2016	VOCAL Optimization Conference: Advanced Algorithms (VOCAL 2016)	Esztergom, Hungary	31st October 2016
12th-16th December 2016	40ACCMCC: The 40th Australasian Conference on Combinatorial Mathematics & Combinatorial Computing	Newcastle, Australia	18th November 2016
13th-14th December 2016	Workshop "Combinatorial Optimization meets Parameterized Complexity"	Bonn, Germany	27th November 2016
13th-15th December 2016	3rd International Conference on industrial Engineering & Sustainable Management (IESM'16)	Isfahan, Iran	7th November 2016
15th-16th December 2016	26th Workshop on Information Technology and Systems (WITS 2016)	Dublin, Ireland	22nd August 2016
16th-18th December 2016	The second Tunisian Operational Research Society (TORS) annual conference	Sousse, Tunisia	9th October 2016
3rd-6th January 2017	XII Escuela de Verano en Matematicas Discretas	Valparaiso, Chile	19th October 2016
4th-7th January 2017	Machine Learning and Network Analytics in Finance Minitrack	Hawaii, USA	15th June 2016
9th-23rd January 2017	PhD Winter Academy	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	1st December 2016
13th-14th January 2017	9th International Conference on Economics and Management	Warsaw, Poland	30th December 2016
15th-17th January 2017	2017 INFORMS Computing Society Conference	Austin, USA	1st July 2016
15th-20th January 2017	Winter School on Optimization and Operations Research	Zinal, Switzerland	15th December 2016
15th-21st January 2017	International Winter School in Stochastic programming with applications in energy, logistics and finance	Passo del Tonale, Italy	
16th-20th January 2017	6th Edition of Winter School on Network Optimization (netopt2017)	Estoril, Portugal	31st October 2016
4th or 5th February 2017	AAAI-17 Workshop on AI and OR for Social Good (AIORSocGood-17)	San Francisco, USA	4th November 2016

10th February 2017	1-day symposium on "Combinatorial Optimization and Applications"	Edinburgh, UK	9th December 2016
14th-23rd February 2017	2017 EURO Winter Institute on "Methods and Models in Transportation Problems". (2017 WI- EWGT)	Bressanone, Italy	15th October 2016
16th-17th February 2017	1st AIROYoung workshop	Rome, Italy	
22nd-24th February 2017	ROADEF 2017	Metz, France	28th November 2016
24th February-7th March 2017	ELAVIO 2017	Buenos Aires and Miramar, Argentina	10th November 2016
26th-28th February 2017	8th International Network Optimization Conference (INOC2017)	Lisbon, Portugal	22nd November 2017
11th-12th March 2017	9th International Finance Conference, IFC 9	Paris, France	30th December 2016
19th-22nd March 2017	EMO 2017 (9th International Conference on Evolutionary Multi- Criterion Optimization)	Münster, Germany	17th October 2016
25th-27th March 2017	2017 International Conference on Intelligent Systems, Metaheuristics & Swarm Intelligence (ISMSI 2017)	Hong Kong	30th December 2016
2nd-4th April 2017	7th International Workshop on Multiple Criteria Decision Making' 17	Ustroń, Poland	15th January 2017
2nd-4th April 2017	Analytics 2017. INFORMS 2017 Business Analytics Conference	Las Vegas, USA	15th January 2017
4th-6th April 2017	UK OR Society Young to OR 20 Conference	London, UK	20th January 2017
5th-7th April 2017	7th ICROR RailLille 2017	Lille, France	1st August 2016
11th-12th April 2017	2nd International Conference on Sport Economics & Sport Management (SESM)	Berlin, Germany	31st December 2016
11th-13th April 2017	7th International Conference on Industrial Engineering and Operations Management	Rabat, Morocco	31st October 2016
20th-21st April 2017	IMA and OR Society Conference on Mathematics of Operational Research	Birmingham, UK	30th December 2016
3rd-5th May 2017	14th ESICUP Meeting	Liège, Belgium	
3rd-6th May 2017	Joint EURO/ORSC/ECCO International Conference 2017 on Combinatorial Optimization (ECCO XXX)	Koper, Slovenia	1st March 2017
21st-22nd May 2017	The Annual Meeting of ORSIS - the Operations Research Society of Israel	Bar-Ilan, Israel	
26th-28th May 2017	10th International Conference on Algorithms and Complexity (CIAC)	Athens, Greece	11th November 2016
29th-31st May 2017	ICDSST 2017 EWG-DSS 2017 International Conference on Decision Support System Technology	Namur, Belgium	15th December 2016
5th-8th June 2017	CPAIOR 2017 (14th International Conference on Integration of Artificial Intelligence and Operations Research Techniques)	Padova, Italy	16th November 2016

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12th-15th June 2017	EWEPA (15th European Workshop on Efficiency and Productivity Analysis)	London, UK	1st February 2017
12th-16th June 2017	MAPSP 2017 (13th Workshop on Models and Algorithms for Planning and Scheduling Problems)	Seeon-Seebrück, Germany	28th January 2017
18th-23rd June 2017	ICAPS 2017 (27th International Conference on Automated Planning and Scheduling)	Pittsburgh, USA	18th November 2016
19th-21st June 2017	LION11, the 11th Learning and Intelligent Optimization Conference	Nizhny Novgorod, Russia	18th December 2016
19th-22nd June 2017	Workshop in Mixed Integer Programming (MIP 2017)	Québec, Canada	
26th-28th June 2017	IPCO XIX	Ontario, Canada	20th November 2016
26th-28th June 2017	MathSport International 2017 (6th International Conference on Mathematics in Sport)	Padua, Italy	30th January 2016
26th-29th June 2017	15th International Conference on Data Envelopment Analysis. DEA2017	Prague, Czech Republic	31st January 2017
27th-29th June 2017	POMS international conference in Israel	Tel-Aviv, Israel	1st March 2017
28th-30th June 2017	The XVIII Congress of the Portuguese Association of Operational Research (IO 2017)	Valença, Portugal	9th April 2017
29th-30th June 2017	EURO HOpe Mini-Conference	Vienna, Austria	28th March 2017
4th-7th July 2017	Metaheuristics International Conference (MIC 2017)	Barcelona, Spain	23rd January 2017
10th-12th July 2017	VeRoLog 2017	Amsterdam, The Netherlands	28th February 2017
12th-14th July 2017	EUROPT 2017	Montréal, Canada	15th March 2017
13th-14th July 2017	ICORD 2017	Québec, Canada	30th March 2017
17th-21st July 2017	IFORS 2017	Québec, Canada	10th February 2017
17th-21st July 2017	28th International Workshop on Combinatorial Algorithms (IWOCA 2017)	Newcastle, Australia	15th March 2017
26th-29th July 2017	INFORMS Transportation and Logistics Society. First Triennial Conference.	Chicago, USA	15th December 2016
30th July - 4th August 2017	ORAHS 2017	Bath, UK	
14th-18th August 2017	Group Decision and Negotiation International Conference (GDN 2017)	Stuttgart, Germany	15th December 2016
23rd-26th August		Bergen, Norway	30th January

2017	7th International Conference on Logistics and Maritime Systems		2017
29th August-1st September 2017	CP 2017 (International Conference on Principles and Practice of Constraint Programming)	Melbourne, Australia	
4th-6th September 2017	20th EURO Working Group on Transportation Meeting (EWGT)	Budapest, Hungary	15th December 2016
4th-7th September 2017	ODS2017 - International Conference on Optimization and Decision Science, XLVII annual meeting organized by Italian OR Society (AIRO)	Sorrento, Italy	3rd March 2017
6th-8th September 2017	Optimization 2017	Lisbon, Portugal	15th May 2017
6th-8th September 2017	OR 2017 International Annual Meeting of the German OR Society (GOR)	Berlin, Germany	30th April 2017
11th-15th September 2017	Lagos 2017 (IX Latin and American Algorithms, Graphs and Optimization Symposium)	Marseille, France	10th March 2017
12th-14th September 2017	UK OR Society OR59 Annual Conference	Loughborough UK	
27th-29th September 2017	SOR '17 The 14th International Symposium on Operations Research in Slovenia	Bled, Slovenia	7th June 2017
25th-27th October 2017	ADT 2017 -- 5th International Conference on Algorithmic Decision Theory	Luxembourg	2nd April 2017

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