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EURO/INFORMS Rome - My personal program



The program is online at <http://www.euro-online.org/conf/euro26/program>, but this year and for the first time, the Program Committee has a strong wish to help all the participants to find the best talks among more than 70 parallel sessions for every time slot. For all of us, this is always a complicated task.

The program page now offers new functionalities: you can browse the full program or a specific time slot in the schedule. On different places on the site, you now have the possibility to add sessions to your own personalized program. You can always access it through the «My Program» link on the left menu. Note that this feature is only available if you are logged in. The Program page reflects also the 20 most popular sessions (selected by the users).

You can also export your personal program as a calendar file to import in your agenda (smartphone, tablet, or PC), or simply view the calendar online (note that the calendar graphical view always displays the current day and you have to click on the different arrows to set this calendar to the EURO/INFORMS conference week).

Since this is a very new feature, we ask your clemency and also your feedback, ideas and bug reports to improve it in the future. Major bugs can be reported immediately to the EURO Webmaster (bfortz@euro-online.org); ideas and feedback can be sent to the PC members after the conference (to avoid too many unnecessary emails at this stage).

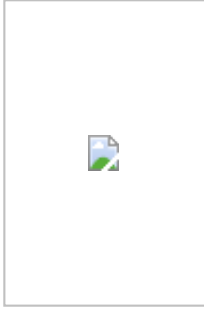
We are looking forward to seeing you in Rome where we will have a wonderful event all together.

For the Program Committee,
Prof. Marc Sevaux and David Simchi-Levi.

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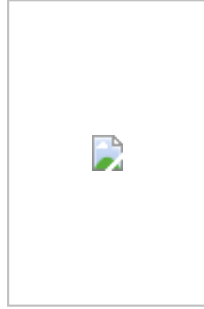
We are delighted to announce that EURO - The Association of European Operational Research Societies now publishes a total of three journals with [Springer!](#)





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We are very pleased to introduce this set of journals which specialize in areas of particular interest to the EURO community. These journals are a valuable addition to the host of reference journals now serving the entire Operational Research community. We are confident that these will become leading journals and encourage the community to read them and publish papers in them.

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We hope you find these articles interesting and informative, and consider the EURO journals for your next paper!

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Make sure to stop by the Springer booth, purchase the latest titles at a discount. Click [here](#) to preview the selection or book an appointment with one of our Editors!

EURO EthOR Award Finalists

The [EURO Working Group on Ethics and OR](#) has selected the three EthOR Award finalists. We welcome everybody to listen to their presentations at the [EURO-INFORMS 2013 Conference](#) taking place in Rome (The session is TD-70, Tuesday 14:30-16:00 in Room: R19-4).

- **Ms. Yamini Srinivasan** "A game theoretic framework to mitigate unethical behavior in construction projects"
- **Ms. Robyn Moore** "Reaching consensus on water reforms: a case of Community Operational Research in Kapiti, New Zealand"
- **Ms. Ruth Carrasco** "A Management Model for Closed-Loop Supply Chains of Reusable Articles"

EURO mini-conference on Optimization in the Natural Sciences - First Call for Abstracts



First Call for Abstracts

The organizers of the EURO mini-conference on Optimization in the Natural Sciences (EURO mini 2014) have a pleasure to invite you to take part in this conference to be held in Aveiro, Portugal on 5-9 February, 2014, <http://minieuro2014.web.ua.pt/>.

Aims and Scope

The conference aims at discussing the latest research in optimization and its applications to the Natural Sciences. The main objective of the meeting is to encourage the exchange of knowledge and recent achievements, and to establish collaborations among researchers and practitioners working in the areas of Computer Science / Optimization / Statistics, and Physics / Chemistry / Biology / Medical Sciences.

Topics

- * Analysis of microarray data or next generation sequencing
- * Applications of modeling and optimization in physics, biology, chemistry, and medicine
- * Billiard theory and applications
- * Biomedical engineering
- * Design optimization
- * Data visualization for optimal decisions
- * Image processing
- * Infinite and semi-infinite optimization with applications
- * Inverse problems
- * Linear and nonlinear optimization and applications
- * Multi-criteria optimization with applications
- * Multi-scale optimization with applications
- * Optimal control applied to biological models
- * Optimal mass transfer
- * Optimization in bioinformatics and computational biology
- * Shape optimization
- * Solution of optimization problems using statistical methods
- * Statistics in high-dimensional data
- * Statistical methods and visualization
- * Statistical and probabilistic modeling
- * Wave scattering

Abstracts must be written in English and contain no more than 600 characters (no formulas or mathematical notations are allowed). Each attendee is allowed to present ONE paper at the conference. To submit an abstract, use the abstract submission system of EURO-Online available on the conference website (<http://minieuro2014.web.ua.pt/>).

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<http://www.euro-online.org>
- * EUROPT - EURO Working Group on Continuous Optimization,
<http://europt.iam.metu.edu.tr/>
- * CIDMA - Center for Research & Development in Mathematics and Applications,
<http://cidma.mat.ua.pt/ma/home.php>
- * Department of Mathematics, University of Aveiro,
<http://www.ua.pt/dmat/>

Confirmed Invited Speakers

- * Giuseppe Buttazzo, Department of Mathematics, University of Pisa, Italy,
<http://www.dm.unipi.it/pages/buttazzo/>
- * Sergey Tabachnikov, Pennsylvania State University, Department of Mathematics, USA,
<http://www.math.psu.edu/tabachni/>
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<http://www.barcelonagse.eu/faculty.php?id=118>
- * Gueorgui Smirnov, University of Minho, Portugal,
<http://intranet.uminho.pt/4881.page>
- * Aleksander Dudin, Belarusian State University, Belarus,
<http://www.apa.bsu.by/>

Important dates

- * Deadline for abstract submission: 1/11/2013
- * Notification of acceptance: 15/11/2013
- * Deadline for registration fee payment for inclusion in the abstract book: 15/01/2014

Registration fee

- * Regular early (up to 1/12/2013): 285 euros
- * Regular late (up to 15/01/2014): 360 euros
- * Student early (up to 1/12/2013): 150 euros
- * Student late (up to 15/01/2014): 200 euros
- * Accompanying person: 50 euros

Special Issue

Papers presented at EURO mini 2014 can be submitted for peer-reviewed publication in a special issue of Optimization,
<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/gopt20>.

Contacts

For all questions please contact: DMAT-miniEURO2014@ua.pt.
Please visit our website <http://minieuro2014.web.ua.pt/> for more information.

IFORS Prize for OR in Development 2014 - Second Call for Papers

IFORS is pleased to announce that the Prize will be awarded during the 20th Triennial conference on "The Art of Modeling" to be held in **Barcelona, Spain from 13-18 July 2014**.



This competition has been held for over 25 years, and recognizes outstanding and relevant OR work carried out in developing countries.

*** Awarded at the close of the IFORS Triennial Conference and carries with it a grand prize of US\$ 4,000.00 and a runner-up prize of US\$ 2,000.00**

*** The finalist papers are automatically considered for publication in the IFORS Publication, International Transactions in Operational Research (ITOR). Publication is contingent upon the usual refereeing process. Authors of these papers agree that the first right to publish their papers lies with ITOR; as such, they will not publish the same until and unless they receive permission to do so by the ITOR editor.**

Topic of paper

- The paper should describe a practical OR application in a developing country, conducted to assist a specific organization in its decision-making process with regard to education, health, and other basic services, water, technology, resource use (physical or financial), infrastructure, agricultural/industrialization, natural resources, or environmental sustainability. It should also contain original features in methodology and/or implementation in developing countries.
- The paper should include some description of: the application's social context, how the project succeeded despite constraints and limited resources, and particularly its impact on the decision making process or on the organization for which it was conducted. Where appropriate, the relevance of the country's state of development to the study should be addressed. A stress on developmental issues will be an important factor in the judging.
- **Papers of a purely technical nature, or those, which have no relevance in the developmental context, will not be considered.**

Judging Criteria

- Qualifying papers will be evaluated on the following criteria: problem definition, creativity and appropriateness of approach, MS/OR content, stress on developmental issues, innovative methodology, impact of the study, paper organization and structure, and quality of written and (if selected as finalist) oral presentation. Participation of local researchers will also be a judging criteria.

Other Information

- Principal authors and presenters of any nationality are welcome. If selected to be among the finalists, the entry must be presented by one of the principal authors during the IFORS Triennial Conference to be held in Barcelona, Spain from 13-18 July 2014.
- Finalists' registration fees will be sponsored by IFORS. For finalists who are nationals of developing countries, a grant for living expenses may be requested but cannot be guaranteed.
- Entry must be submitted using the submission site for the IFORS journal, International Transactions on Operations Research (ITOR) <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/itor>, indicating in the cover letter that it is intended for this competition. At this point, authors warrant that their paper submissions have not or will be published in another journal. ITOR Editor Celso Ribeiro will forward the papers submitted to the Chair. When the finalists are announced, only finalist papers will be considered as formal submissions to ITOR.
- An international panel of judges chaired by Andres Weintraub, Chile, has been formed

Further inquiries should be sent directly to the Prize Chair:

Prof. Andres Weintraub

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Last date of submission of the full paper: **November 30, 2013**

Finalists will be notified by: **February 28, 2014**

Date of presentations: **July 14, 2014**

Upcoming Conferences

Dates	Conference Title	Location	Submission Deadline
26th-28th June 2013	11th EUROPT Workshop on Advances in Continuous Optimization	Firenze, Italy	31st March 2013
27th-28th June 2013	Joint ICORD/EWG-ORD (EURO Working Group on Operational Research for Development) Workshop 2013	Rome, Italy	30th January 2013
1st-4th July	XXVI EURO - INFORMS Joint International Conference	Rome, Italy	14th March

2013			2013
7th-12th July 2013	39th annual meeting of the EURO Working Group on Operational Research Applied to Health Services (ORAHS)	Istanbul, Turkey	12th April 2013
7th-10th July 2013	Second meeting EURO Working Group on Vehicle Routing and Logistics Optimization (VeRoLog)	Southampton, UK	11th March 2013
20th-21st August 2013	FORS40 - Finnish Operations Research Society 40th Anniversary Workshop	Lappeenranta, Finland	9th June 2013
3rd-5th September 2013	The OR Society - OR55 Annual Conference	Exeter, UK	3rd July 2013
3rd-6th September 2013	OR 2013 Conference - the International Conference on Operations Research	Rotterdam, The Netherlands	30th April 2013
4th-6th September 2013	16th Euro Working Group on Transportation	Porto, Portugal	21st January 2013
7th-10th September 2013	XI Balkan Conference on Operational Research	Belgrade, Serbia	9th June 2013
8th-10th September 2013	IFORS/EURO Exchange of Young Researchers Program	Valencia, Spain	10th June 2013
23rd-24th September 2013	Joint GOR Decision Theory and Practice Work Group/DASIG Conference	Hamburg, Germany	28th June 2013
25th-27th September 2013	12th International Symposium on Operations Research in Slovenia	Dolenjske Toplice, Slovenia	15th July 2013
2nd-4th December 2013	EUROFUSE Workshop 2013	Oviedo, Spain	17th June 2013

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