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EWG DSO, EURO working group on Data Science meets Optimization



DSO workshop colocated with CEC 2017 and CPAIOR 2017

Padua, Italy/San Sebastian, Spain, 5 June, 2017

<http://ds-o.org/index.php/workshops/dso-workshops-2017>

The aim of the current bi-located workshop is to organise an open discussion and exchange of ideas by researchers from different domains.

EWG/DSO colocated workshops at CPAIOR 2017 in Padua, Italy and CEC 2017 in San Sebastian, Spain, both on Monday 5th of June, and shared over video conference. Attendants to CEC or CPAIOR are welcome to drop in.

EWG EPA, EURO working group on Efficiency and Productivity Analysis



EFiC Conference in Banking and Finance

Colchester, UK, 7-8 July, 2017

https://www.essex.ac.uk/ebs/news_and_seminars/efic-conference.aspx

The Essex Finance Centre is proud to bring you the 2017 EFiC Conference in Banking and Finance. This year's conference will explore 'banks and financial markets in times of uncertainty'.

The event will bring together leading academics, practitioners and policy makers from across banking and finance to hear state-of-the-art research, exchange ideas and network. The symposium provides a forum to reflect on trends in financial and banking markets nearly 10 years since the start of the global financial crisis. It will be the ideal setting for discussing the future of research and policy.

Standard registration - book by **7 June 2017**

We are pleased to announce that the fifth annual EFiC memorial lecture will be given by Professor Brendan McCabe, Professor of Econometrics at the University of Liverpool, in celebration of John Nankervis, former Professor of Finance at Essex Business School.

John died in 2012 and is hugely missed by his colleagues.

EURO working group on Agriculture and Forest Management



IV Workshop on Optimization Under Uncertainty in Sustainable Agriculture and Agrifood Industry

Lleida , Spain, 6-8 September, 2017

<http://orafm.udl.cat/workshop2017/>

The EURO working group on Agriculture and Forest Management invites you to participate in the Workshop on Optimization Under Uncertainty in Agriculture and Agrifood Industry, which will be hosted at the Universitat de Lleida, Lleida (Spain).

Submissions may include topics related to Agriculture and Agrifood industry, but also Forestry, Food Industry, Fisheries and Natural Resources in general.

Important Dates:

Submission of abstracts: **07/08/2017**

Acceptance of abstracts: 12/08/2017

Early registration Deadline: 12/08/2017

EWG EPA, EURO working group on Efficiency and Productivity Analysis



BLGDRC Annual Conference 2017

Colchester, UK, 14-15 September, 2017

<http://www.blgdataresearch.org/annualconference2017/>

We are currently calling for researchers to submit papers to be discussed at our Conference.

We welcome submissions of papers in the following areas:

- *Entrepreneurship
- *SME finance
- *Skills gaps
- *Applications of spatial data and technologies in local government
- *Techniques for the management and processing of large spatial datasets

If you would like to showcase your research at our conference please complete the online form: <http://www.blgdataresearch.org/annualconference2017/> or if you would like any further details about the event please contact us at blgdataresearch@essex.ac.uk

EURO working group on Agriculture and Forest Management



1st International Conference on Agro BigData and Decision Support Systems in Agriculture

Montevideo, Uruguay, 27-29 September, 2017

<http://www.bigdssagro.udl.cat/?q=node/75&language=en>

The BigDSSAgro conference is devoted to decision support systems in agriculture, which combine models, databases and algorithms to support many real-world decision-making problems.

The access to cheap sensor technology, drones, climate data and forecasts, satellite information about soils, humidity and more is provoking a revolution with the irruption of Big Data and opening the door to the development and application of novel optimization and simulation models in Agriculture and the Agri-food industries.

The main question to solve is how to transform the huge amount of data into useful information to decision-makers. Current applications cover a wide range of different areas, from food production or animal welfare to sustainability or climate change impact; and they are expected to still increase in future. The scope of the conference includes findings on established and new Operations Research, Big Data and Analytics methods ineffective decision-making applications in Agriculture and in the Agri-food industry, including their supply chain, and also problems in Forestry and in Environment studies.

Important dates:

Abstract submission deadline: **June 04, 2017** (Anywhere on Earth)

Paper notification: July 17, 2017

Camera-ready deadline: July 30, 2017

Conference: September 27-29, 2017

Abstracts must be submitted electronically in PDF format at the following link: <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=bigdssagro2017>, and should be between 1 and 3 pages long, using the [template](#).

EWG EU/ME, EURO working group on Metaheuristics



19th EU/ME Workshop on Metaheuristics for Industry

Geneva, Switzerland, 22-23 March, 2018

<http://eume2018.ch>

The 19th EU/ME workshop on Metaheuristics for Industry will take place at the University of Geneva, Switzerland, on March 22-23, 2018.

This workshop aims to bring together researchers from all over the world interested in discussing the latest progress in the field

of metaheuristic optimization.

The workshop is free of charge but registration is mandatory. If you are interested in giving a presentation at this workshop, please send a contribution by **November 3, 2017**.

Each contribution consists of a short paper (3-4 pages, using the provided LaTeX template). One author of each contribution has to present the paper orally during the workshop. If you do not send any contribution, you are welcome to register to the workshop in order to listen to the presentations of the selected contributions. In addition, two keynote speakers will be invited (one from academia and one from industry).

Conferences and Meetings

Slovenian Operational Research Society



The 14th International Symposium on Operations
Research in Slovenia (SOR '17)

Bled, Slovenia, 27-29 September, 2017

<http://sor17.fov.unimb.si/>

The 14th International Symposium on Operations Research in Slovenia (SOR '17) will be held in Bled, Slovenia, September 27-29, 2017. The professional objectives of the international symposium are to provide a forum for international and national exchange of ideas on various aspects of OR and related fields.

TOPICS

***Professional aspects of OR** (OR methodology, OR education, OR implementation, OR profession).

***Methods and techniques of OR** (Assignment, Combinatorial programming, Linear programming, Multiple criteria decision making, Networks and graphs, Non-linear programming, Numeral methods, Simulation, Statistics, Stochastic processes, Vector optimization, etc.)

***Areas of application** (Agriculture, Banking, Ecology, Economic systems and econometrics, Energy, Environmental protection, Finance, Inventory, Production planning, Transport, etc.).

***Information and computing aspects of OR** (Artificial intelligence, Decision support systems, Expert systems, Information systems, OR software, Data mining, High performance computing, etc.).

DEADLINES:

Submission of contributed papers: **June 7, 2017**

Referee's reports: July 7, 2017

Submission of revised papers and copies of bank transfer: August 27, 2017

Should you need assistance, or you have any questions about the SOR, please feel free to contact sor17@fov.uni-mb.si.

UK Operational Research Society



SW18 (Simulation Workshop 2018)

Stratford-upon-Avon, UK, 19-21 March, 2018

www.theorsociety.com/SW18

19th - 21st March 2018 sees the return of the OR Society's biennial simulation workshop (SW18). The conference always boasts an excellent mix of delegates from the fields of simulation practice and research. The conference covers application and theoretical developments across all simulation methods, for example agent based simulation, system dynamics, discrete-event simulation and monte-carlo simulation. We have updated and refreshed the conference this year keeping the best of the original format and adding some exciting new elements.

Practitioner and researcher poster competition

If you don't feel your work warrants a full oral presentation then the practitioner and researcher poster option is for you. Poster delegates produce an A0 or A1 poster showcasing their applied or theoretical simulation work and are asked to give a 2 minute 'elevator pitch' presentation to argue why their poster deserves the title of SW18's best poster. **We emphasise this competition is open to all SW18 delegates!**

Key Dates

09 Oct 2017 - Submission deadline for papers

08 Jan 2018 - Notification of outcomes of reviews of conference papers

08 Jan 2018 - Contributors will be notified whether or not their paper is accepted

08 Jan 2018 - Deadline for submission of Poster titles and abstracts (150 words)

14 Jan 2018 - Deadline for early bird reduced registration

15 Jan 2018 - Standard registration rates apply

6th INFORMS Transportation Science and Logistics Society Workshop "E-Commerce and Urban Logistics"



Hong Kong, 8-10 January, 2018

<http://tslworkshop2018.hsmc.edu.hk/dates.php>

CALL FOR PAPERS

Hang Seng Management College is pleased to announce the Call for Papers for the 6th INFORMS Transportation Science and Logistics Society Workshop, E-Commerce and Urban Logistics. The Workshop will be held on January 8-10, 2018, hosted by the School of Decision Sciences at Hang Seng Management College in Hong Kong.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONTRIBUTORS

Please submit your abstract on our website. Abstracts should be as complete as possible and not exceed two pages. All abstracts must be received electronically on or before **July 7, 2017**.

Scientific quality is the main criterion when reviewing contributions. In addition, sessions involving practitioners will be given special consideration. Accepted abstracts will be printed in the Workshop Program. At least one of the authors must certify that

he/she intends to register for and attend the conference to present the paper if it is accepted. We plan to have a special issue of Transportation Science associated with the workshop.

ACCEPTED SUBMISSIONS:

Authors will be notified on August 25, 2017 regarding the results of the review process.

8th International Conference on Computational Logistics (ICCL'17)

Southampton, UK, 18-20 October, 2017

<http://www.computational-logistics.de>

The University of Southampton is pleased to be hosting the 8th International Conference on Computational Logistics (ICCL'17) at the Grand Harbour Hotel in Southampton, UK.

Authors are kindly invited to submit their contributions in the area of logistics management, operations, control, and information systems, relevant to all types of logistics activities and on any mode of transportation, with a particular focus on practical cases providing insight and real-world experience.

Extended abstracts for presentation only are also welcome.

Key Dates

Full papers (presentation & proceedings): **June 08, 2017**

Abstracts (presentation only): June 25, 2017

Notification of acceptance: July 10, 2017

Camera-ready papers: July 25, 2017

Early Registration until August 10, 2017

Registration for inclusion in the proceedings: August 10, 2017

2nd International Symposium on Fuzzy and Rough Sets (ISFUROS '17)

Villa Clara, Cuba, 24-26 October, 2017

<http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~rfalc032/isfuros2017/>

Organized by: Universidad Central de Las Villas, Cuba (<http://www.uclv.edu.cu>)

Fuzzy and rough set theories stand as two of the most prominent methodologies within the umbrella of Computational Intelligence to handle uncertainty in vague and inconsistent environments. They have enjoyed widespread success in a plethora of real-world application domains and remain at the forefront of numerous theoretical studies to consolidate and augment their well-established properties.

The goals of ISFUROS 2017 are to strengthen the relationships among researchers and institutions working on fuzzy and rough set theories, to increase awareness of these topics among the Latin American research community and to facilitate the contact between new researchers and consolidated groups.

Submissions of original and previously unpublished work on fuzzy and rough set theories and applications are encouraged.

Important Dates

June 23, 2017 - Extended paper submission deadline

July 24, 2017 - Acceptance notification

August 30, 2017 - Camera-ready version

Please use this link to submit your paper:

<https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=isfuros2017>

Papers must be written in English and submitted in PDF format. Authors must adhere to the available format using either Microsoft Word or LaTeX templates (downloadable from the website). The papers must have a maximum of ten (10) pages. Up to two (2) extra pages can be purchased at 100 CUC each.

12th International Conference on Multiple Objective Programming and Goal Programming (MOPGP 2017)

Metz, France, 30-31 October, 2017

<http://mopgp.org/>

This conference is a forum within which researchers and practitioners can meet and learn from each other about recent developments in Multiple Objective Programming and Goal Programming. Among the participants are academics and practitioners whose common interest is in multiple objective decision analysis.

Please submit abstracts online at: <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=mopgp2017>

Selected extended-abstracts will be considered as potential full-paper publications, subject to peer reviews in Annals of Operations Research.

The deadlines are the following:

* Submission of abstracts: **June 15, 2017**

* Acceptance notice: June 30, 2017

2017 IEEE Symposium Series on Computational Intelligence (IEEE SSCI 2017)

Hawaii, USA, 27 November -1 December, 2017

<http://www.ele.uri.edu/ieee-ssci2017/>

The 2017 IEEE Symposium Series on Computational Intelligence (IEEE SSCI 2017) will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA from Nov. 27 to Dec 1, 2017. The IEEE SSCI is a flagship annual international conference on computational intelligence sponsored by the IEEE Computational Intelligence Society. It promotes all aspects of computational intelligence theory, algorithm design, applications, and related emerging techniques. Following tradition, IEEE SSCI 2017 will co-locate a large number of exciting symposiums, each dedicated to a special topic within or related to computational intelligence, thereby providing a unique platform for promoting cross-fertilization and collaboration. The year 2017 marks the 10th anniversary of this important

symposium series. Come join us in Honolulu! Aloha!!

Important Dates

Paper Submissions: **July 2, 2017**

Notification to Authors: August 27, 2017

Final Submission: September 24, 2017

Early Registration: September 24, 2017

MISTA 2017

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 5-8 December, 2017

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

This conference series serves as a forum for an international community of researchers, practitioners and vendors on all aspects of multi-disciplinary scheduling. The aim is to bring together scheduling researchers and practitioners from all the disciplines that engage with scheduling research. In order to further promote interaction between researchers and practitioners we have set up a forum that you might like to contribute to.

MISTA 2017 is the eighth in the conference series. The conference serves as a forum for an international community of researchers, practitioners and vendors on all aspects of multi-disciplinary scheduling.

There is a special issue of the Journal of Scheduling associated with this conference. If you present a paper or abstract at the conference, you will be invited to submit a paper to this special issue.

The aim is to bring together scheduling researchers and practitioners from all the disciplines that engage with scheduling research.

Authors are invited to submit papers in one of two categories

Full Papers: There is no page limit but the reviewers will be asked to comment (if necessary) on the length of the paper. These papers will be accepted as full papers at the conference.

Extended Abstracts : These shorter papers (try to limit to 3 pages) will give you the opportunity to present your work at the conference. The abstracts will also appear in the conference proceedings.

Both categories of papers will be invited to submit suitably revised and extended versions to a post conference issue of the Journal of Scheduling.

Formatting Guidelines

Both Word templates and Latex styles are available from the web site. We will only accept PDF files that have been formatted using these formatting styles.

<http://www.schedulingconference.org/submission/>

MISTA 2017: Important Dates

- * **31st Jul 2017**: Deadline submission
- * 17th Sep 2017: Decision to authors
- * 5th Oct 2017: Early registration due
- * 5th Oct 2017: Camera Ready Papers due
- * 5th Dec - 7th Dec 2017: Conference

* 8th Dec 2017: This day will be a Social Day

ISAAC 2017 (28th International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation)

Phuket, Thailand, 9-12 December, 2017

<http://aiat.in.th/isaac2017/>

The symposium is intended to provide a forum for researchers working in algorithms and theory of computation. Papers presenting original research in the areas of algorithms and theory of computation are sought. Papers in relevant applied areas are also welcomed.

Important Dates

June 29, 2017: Submission Deadline

August 31, 2017: Notification

October 3, 2017: Camera-Ready Version Due

December 9-12, 2017: ISAAC

Submission Guidelines

Authors are invited to submit an extended abstract or full paper of at most 12 pages with an optional appendix. The submission should contain a scholarly exposition of ideas, techniques, and results, including motivation and a clear comparison with related work. They must not be submitted simultaneously to another conference with refereed proceedings or to a journal. Drafts which contain essentially the same results as papers under review in other conferences or journals cannot be submitted to ISAAC 2017. Exempted are workshops and conferences without formal proceedings, but possibly with handouts containing short abstracts. At least one author of an accepted paper is required to present the paper at the conference as a registered participant.

Papers must be formatted in LaTeX, using the LIPICs style file, which is available at <http://www.dagstuhl.de/en/publications/lipics/instructions-for-authors/>.

Submissions are due on June 29, 2017 11:59PM (PDT). Only electronic submission will be allowed via the easychair submission server

<http://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=isaac2017> .

Awards

The Best Paper and the Best Student Paper will be awarded. A paper is eligible for the Best Student Paper if all authors are full-time students at the time of submission. To indicate that a submission is eligible, please mark the checkbox "Eligible for best student paper" in the web form on the submission server.

4th Conference on Optimization Methods and Software

Havana, Cuba, 16-20 December, 2017

<http://wias-berlin.de/workshops/oms2017/>

It is organized in relation to the 25th anniversary of the journal Optimization Methods and Software (OMS)

<http://www.tandfonline.com/goms>

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AND CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

Abstracts should not exceed 400 words. Papers presented at the conference will be considered for peer-reviewed publication in

a special issue of the journal Optimization Methods and Software.

SESSION ORGANIZATION

Proposals of organizing sessions are welcome and can be sent to [Tamás Terlaky](#).

DATES AND DEADLINES

Abstract submissions: **September 15, 2017**

Notification of acceptance: September 30, 2017

REGISTRATION FEE

(early/late) in the Cuban Convertible Peso (CUC)

Regular participant: 350/400 CUC

Student: 150/175 CUC

Accompanying person: 100/120 CUC

BAFI 2018. 3rd Conference on Business Analytics in Finance and Industry.

Santiago, Chile, 17-19 January, 2018

<http://www.baficonference.cl/visualizar/4/default/inicio>

The aim of the BAFI 2018 conference is to bring together researchers and developers from data science and related areas with practitioners and consultants applying the respective techniques in different business-related domains. Our goal is to stimulate an academic exchange of recent developments as well as to encourage the mutual influence between academics and practitioners.

At BAFI 2018, the focus will be on methodological developments aimed at uncovering information contained in large data sets, as well as on business applications in various sectors, among them finance, retail, and telecommunications.

SPEAKERS

Confirmed speakers at the conference are (more to be announced):

Bart Baesens, KU Leuven, Belgium

Peter Flach, University of Bristol, UK

Francisco Herrera, Universidad de Granada, Spain

J. R. Reagan, Woosong University, South Korea

IMPORTANT DATES

June 30, 2017 - Deadline for submission of extended abstracts

August 15, 2017 - Accept/reject decision

November 15, 2017 - Deadline for early registration

STUDENT GRANTS

We will offer a number of travel grants for students who present their work at BAFI 2018. The following two categories will be considered:

* National category: students enrolled at a Chilean university or staying at a Chilean address at the time of the conference.

* International category: students enrolled at a university outside Chile and staying abroad prior to the start of the conference.

7th International Conference on Multidimensional Finance, Insurance and Investment (ICMFII'18)

Crete, Greece, 10-12 May, 2018

www.icmfii.com

The International Conference on Multidimensional Finance, Insurance and Investment is devoted to the recent developments and applications of the Multi-Criteria Decision Aid tools in the field of finance and insurance. This scientific event disseminates recent methods and procedures designed to solve problems related to finance, insurance and investments formulated through analytical operational research models in a multidimensional framework that takes into consideration multiple conflicting and incommensurable decision objectives. The aim of this conference is to bring together researchers and practitioners from all over the world to discuss recent theoretical and methodological developments as well as new empirical results. Given the popularity of financial portfolio optimization within the fields of finance and operational research, and the large number of active researchers, the idea of organizing an international workshop on multi-attribute portfolio selection (MAPS) was initiated in Helsinki in 2005 and chaired by Pekka Korhonen. The 7th edition will be organized by the Technical University of Crete (Financial Engineering Laboratory, conference chairs: Michael Doumpos and Constantin Zopounidis) on May 10-12, 2018 in Chania, Greece. There will be plenary talks by invited speakers as well as contributed talks.

The ICMFII International committee invites all interested researchers and professionals to submit extended abstracts (at most 2 pages). They should be written in English. They should clearly include: title, brief abstract, list of key-words, author(s) full name(s), affiliation(s), complete address(es), and e-mail address(es). Please state the name of the contact person. All documents must be sent in RTF (Rich Text File) or Doc format by email to the following address icmfii18@isc.tuc.gr.

The deadline for submitting your Abstract is **February 15, 2018**.

Early registration fee for academic participants is €250 and for students is €150. The organizing committee will be glad to assist all registered participants who have paid the registration fee in the Visa process.

For any question concerning the organization of the Conference, you may contact the conference organizers at icmfii18@isc.tuc.gr, tel. +30-28210- 37318, 37360, Fax: +30-28210- 06900.

7th International Workshop on Freight Transportation and Logistics (Odysseus 2018)

Cagliari, Italy, 3-8 June, 2018

<http://convegni.unica.it/odysseus2018/>

This international, triennial workshop on Freight Transportation and Logistics (ODYSSEUS 2018) provides a high quality forum for recent developments, trends and advances in the theory, practice and application of mathematical models, methodologies and decision support systems in the field of freight transportation and logistics.

It will be the 7th in the series of ODYSSEUS meetings (Crete 2000, Sicily 2003, Altea 2006, Cesme 2009, Mykonos 2012, Ajaccio 2015...), following the footsteps of its predecessors in bringing together researchers and practitioners of freight transportation and logistics to discuss recent experiences, exchange ideas, disseminate research results, and present advanced applications and technologies.

The workshop will take place in the beautiful city of Cagliari in Italy.

Download the ODYSSEUS 2018 flyer (<http://convegna.unica.it/odysseus2018/files/2017/03/flyerOdysseus2018.pdf>)

IMPORTANT DATES

Registration open: May 30, 2017

Extended abstract submission period: **November 15, 2017**

Deadline for revisions: February 14, 2018

Notification of acceptance: January 24, 2018

Deadline for extended abstract revisions: February 14, 2018

Early registration due: February 28, 2018

Workshop: June 3-8, 2018

CONTACT

For further information, contact Massimo Di Francesco, Chair of the Organizing Committee, at mdifrance@unica.it

Schools and Courses

MIT Summer Courses Announcement

We will be teaching the following one-week courses at MIT this summer:

Discrete Choice Analysis, June 12 - 17, 2017

<http://professional.mit.edu/programs/short-programs/discrete-choice-analysis>

Discrete choice models are widely applied in areas such as transportation, energy, health, marketing, economics, environmental sciences, and more. Deep understanding of the underlying theoretical foundations and statistical methods is necessary to avoid making mistakes. The course is designed for modelers who wish to acquire in-depth understanding and need "to get it right." It combines mathematical presentation with intuitive interpretation, theory with hands-on real data practice, and behavioral reasoning with detailed statistical analysis.

Modeling and Simulation of Transportation Networks, July 31 - August 4, 2017

<http://professional.mit.edu/programs/short-programs/modeling-simulation-transportation-networks>

We are witnessing a proliferation of interest in Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) and Smart Mobility in all levels of government and industry. This course draws heavily on the results of recent research and is sponsored by the ITS Lab of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. It combines theory and practice and covers the models and simulators developed by researchers for use in the planning, design, and operations of freight and passenger transportation systems.

One full-tuition scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding doctoral student in the Modeling and Simulation Course with an application deadline of **June 15th**. Partial (50%) tuition scholarships are also available for junior faculty, postdocs, and doctoral students in both courses.

CP / ICLP / SAT Doctoral Program

Trier, Germany, 28 August - 1 September, 2017

http://cp2017.a4cp.org/doctoral_program/

This year the co-located CP 2017, ICLP 2017 and SAT 2017 conferences are holding a joint Doctoral Program (DP). The DP is open to all students doing research on constraints, satisfiability or logic programming, including students that participated in previous DPs. It is a place where you can meet other student researchers, discuss your ongoing work in a relaxed atmosphere, as well as getting some mentoring from an experienced researcher in the field.

You can participate by submitting a paper about your ongoing research, or just the abstract if you have a paper accepted at either of the main conferences; see below for detailed instructions.

The program is a full-day event at the conference and includes presentations of the papers and mentoring by a senior researcher who will see your talk and spend some time to discuss with you during the conference, as well as a nice (and free) dinner at the end of the day.

Important dates

Submission Deadline: **June 19, 2017**

Doctoral Program: August 28, 2017 in Melbourne (as part of CP/ICLP/SAT 2017)

Financial support will be available to some students.

Publications

EURO Journal on Decision Processes (EJDP)



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Data Analytics and Collaborative Decision Processes

Guest Editors:

Pascale Zaraté, Fátima Dargam, Rita Ribeiro, and Shaofeng Liu

Deadline for submission: **November, 2017**

<https://www.euro-online.org/web/pages/1603/data-analytics-and-collaborative-decision-processes>

Motivation

While Big Data analytics is a common challenge to overcome nowadays across most application areas, several trends and technologies are making it possible for decision makers to reach decisions faster by improving their collaborative decision processes. These processes involve much more information than before, and they are also increasingly decentralized and distributed. Experiences from best practices in contemporary business decisions suggest that collaborative platforms need to be

equipped with strong analytical capabilities based on methodological advances from the Big Data Value Chain, in order to make the best use of available data. In this setting, the current Featured Issue of the EURO Journal of Decision Processes (EJDP) will explore how "Data Analytics and Collaborative Decision Processes" proposed new concepts and methods, and how new methodologies have recently been implemented.

Contents

The Guest Editors seek state of the art reviews and research papers that demonstrate how decision making professionals have sought to implement and use Collaborative Decision Processes and Data Analytics to address timely challenges. Topics of particular interest include but are not limited to: Big Data Analytics; Decision Dashboards; DM & Social Networks Data Analytics; Collaborative Decision Processes; Group Preferences Co-Decisions; among others.

Established by the Association of European Operational Research Societies (EURO), EJDP publishes research that advances the understanding and appropriate use of operational research in supporting decision making processes (see <http://www.springer.com/40070>).

Schedule

Prospective authors are invited to submit: (1) an (optional) expression of interest, up to one page describing the envisioned submission, to be sent by email to the guest editors, (2) a full paper to the Editorial Manager system as Original Research with a reference to this Call for Papers (<https://www.editorialmanager.com/ejdp>), selecting article type **SI: Collaborative decision processes**.

The planned schedule is as follows:

***November 2017**: Full Papers submission deadline

*March 2018: Notification (1st round) / May 2018: revision due (1st round),

*July 2018: Notification (2nd round) / September 2018: revision due (2nd round)

*November 2018: Publication of Feature Issue

Annals of Operations Research



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Risk Management Decisions and Wealth Management in Financial Economics

Guest Editors:

Farid Ait Sahlia, Giovanni Barone-Adesi, and Ephraim Clark

Deadline for submission: **June 30, 2017**

The Annals of Operations Research seeks submissions for a special issue on Risk Management Decisions and Wealth Management in Financial Economics dedicated to the research areas of Risk Management decisions and wealth management presented at the ninth International Finance Conference, (IFC9), to be held in Paris, France, from March 10th to 11th, 2017. The special issue is open to all submissions on the topics, not just papers arising from the conference. Quality and relevance to the special issue's topics are the two most important criteria for accepting contributions.

The main topics of interest are:

*Topic 1: Hedging under incomplete information

*Topic 2: Wealth management under stochastic economics variables

- *Topic 3: Recent advances in risk management
- *Topic 4: Hedging and speculation models in discrete and continuous time
- *Topic 5: Arbitrage between value creation and risk management strategies
- *Topic 6: Financial crisis and risk management in international markets
- *Topic 7: International investment
- *Topic 8: Private equity and wealth management
- *Topic 9: Banking and finance: from theory to practice
- *Topic 10: Capital rationing and investment under constraints and uncertainty

Instructions for authors can be found at:

<http://www.springer.com/business/operations+research/journal/10479>

Authors should submit a cover letter and a manuscript by the end of June, 2017, via the Journal's online submission site at

<http://www.editorialmanager.com/anor/default.asp>

Manuscripts submitted after the deadline may not be considered for the special issue and may be transferred to a regular issue. Please see the Author Instructions on the web site if you have not yet submitted a paper through Springer's web-based system, Editorial Manager.

Be sure to note when leaving a comment that your work is intended for the special issue Risk Management Decisions and Wealth Management in Financial Economics and to select the article type: "**SI: Risk in Financial Economics**". Papers will be subject to a strict review process managed by the Guest Editors and accepted papers will be published online individually, before print publication.

Computers & Operations Research



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Recent Advances in Mine Planning, Scheduling and Optimisation: Theory and Applications

Guest Editors:

Andreas Ernst, Mohan Krishnamoorthy, Gaurav Singh, Graham Kendall

Deadline for submission: **July 30, 2017**

<https://www.journals.elsevier.com/computers-and-operations-research/call-for-papers/call-for-papers-recent-advances-in-mine-planning-scheduling>

Mine planning and scheduling is about getting the right material (quantity and quality) deposit out of the mine at the right time to

the right place using the right equipment at least cost per unit of the final commodity (or product) in order to adequately fulfil the company's business targets.

The mining industry around the world has undergone significant changes since the turn of the century. In this time, the industry has undergone major transformations and has moved from a position of substantial strength, where the industry enjoyed one of the heftiest booms in its entire history, to a period of constantly decreasing commodity prices. This has resulted in a situation in which operational efficiency and cost savings drive thinking in what has become a considerably challenging operating environment for companies.

It is against this backdrop that this special issue will bring to focus new operations research models and algorithms that concentrate on mine efficiency optimisation.

Mining supply chains are large and complex. Moreover, the dynamics of the mining industry (lead times, geological factors and price uncertainty) means that innovative, new and specialised models and algorithms need to be developed constantly; particularly when operating margins are constantly decreasing. From an algorithmic perspective, given that most mixed integer linear programming (MILP) models tend to be large, and generally intractable, novel heuristics are employed more and more. Furthermore, today's mining supply chains are becoming increasingly automated and are also becoming very "data-driven". Thus, the interface between mine optimisation and scheduling models and sensors & sensor networks as well as "data science" is becoming increasingly relevant.

With all of the above in mind, a special issue will be of interest to OR and computer science academics, practitioners in the mining industry and also readers outside of the mining industry.

Potential topics to consider (but not limited to) are:

- *surface mining operations,
- *underground mining planning and scheduling models,
- *optimal design of mining phases (pushbacks),
- *mine asset maintenance and utilisation,
- *mine supply chain optimisation,
- *long term life of asset optimisation,
- *open pit mine scheduling,
- *coordination in mining supply chains,
- *large scale optimization,
- *decision making under uncertainty,
- *applications in cloud computing via IoT, and
- *case-studies in mine planning and optimisation.

Papers will need to have a direct connection with mine planning and scheduling optimisation, either via the core topic under consideration in the paper (such as asset optimisation or mining supply chain optimisation) or by novel techniques (such as, linear, integer, nonlinear, convex programming, multicriteria optimisation, metaheuristics, computational geometry, statistics, etc).

The objective here is to collect all new and significant developments in mine planning and optimisation. The aim of this special issue is to present high quality papers that address recent advances in theory, practice and application in this area. The aim is to benefit researchers who are interested in this broad area by presenting the latest OR techniques and applications that are relevant to the mining industry. It is highly likely that engineers, planners and policy makers in the mining industry will also find this special issue beneficial for their professional activities. Researchers from all relevant disciplines are invited to consider this special issue as an outlet to publish their high quality work on the topic.

Submission Guidelines:

All manuscripts should be submitted electronically via the Elsevier Editorial System (EES) <http://ees.elsevier.com/cor>. The corresponding author must select **Special Issue: Mine Planning, Scheduling and Optimisation** as the Article Type to make sure that the paper will be considered for the Special Issue.

Computers and Electronics in Agriculture



Special Issue: Call for Papers on BigData and DSS in Agriculture

Guest Editors:

Hector Cancela, Andrew Higgins, Adela Pagès-Bernaus, Lluís Miquel Plà-Aragonés, Sandro Bimonte

Deadline for submission: **October 31, 2017**

<https://www.journals.elsevier.com/computers-and-electronics-in-agriculture/call-for-papers/call-for-papers-on-bigdata-and-dss-in-agriculture>

Decision support systems in agriculture combine models and databases to support many real-world decision-making problems. The access to cheap sensor technology, drones, climate data and forecasts, satellite information about soils, humidity and more is provoking a revolution with the irruption of BigData. Methods and BigData analytics in Agriculture and the Agri-food industries are of growing interest at present.

The main question to solve is how to transform the huge amount of data into useful information to decision-makers. Applications can range from very different areas like food production or animal welfare to sustainability or climate change impact and it is expected to increase in future. Many treatments of this subject fail to describe why and how the concerned OR methods works effectively in the context of practice. The scope of this special issue is to provide an overview of real applications of agro-BigData in Agriculture or in the Agri-food industry supporting effectively decision-making processes.

This Special Issue is intended to capture findings on established and new methods - considering the fundamentals of the methodology as well as details achieved in applications.

Topics in this Special Issue could include the following:

Methods

- *Operational research methods relevant to agriculture production
- *Sustainable indicators in agriculture
- *Modelling sensing data to get useful information
- *BigData techniques with potential application in agriculture

Applications

- *Sensing farms
- *Quality/Process control using sensors as indicator of produce quality
- *Successful application of DSS based on BigData
- *Decision support tools based on GIS and their implications with BigData
- *Economic aspects of adoption of BigData analytics

Manuscripts presenting original research and also review articles are welcome.

The submission website for this journal is located at:
<https://www.evise.com/evise/jrnl/COMPAG>

To ensure that all manuscripts are correctly identified for inclusion into the special issue you are editing, it is important that authors select **SI:Agro BigData&DSS** at the initial step in the submission process.

IEEE Computational Intelligence Magazine (IEEE CIM)



Special Issue: Call for Papers on Computational Intelligence Techniques in Bioinformatics and Bioengineering

Guest Editors:

Richard Allmendinger, Daniel Ashlock, Sansanee Auephanwiriayakul

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

http://personalpages.manchester.ac.uk/staff/Richard.Allmendinger/IEEE_CIM_SI_CITBB2018.html

Aims and scope

The focus of the special issue is on emerging topics at the interface of computational intelligence, Bioinformatics and Bioengineering.

This is a rich area that includes important and diverse problems, such as protein structure prediction, systems and synthetic biology, visualization of large-scale biological data sets, epigenomics, as well as touches on a vast range of topics in biomedical engineering, bioprocessing and healthcare informatics, such as biomedical imaging/data modelling and mining, biomarker discovery, development of personalized medicine and treatment, mining of big healthcare dataset, biopharmaceutical manufacture and computer-assisted closed-loop problems.

The computational intelligence community in bioinformatics and bioengineering is fragmented and large. The aim of the special issue we are proposing will be to capture some of the ongoing interdisciplinary research that draws upon joint expertise in the domains of optimization and learning via computational intelligence techniques and bioinformatics and bioengineering. The focus will be to provide both breadth in the diversity of selected problems and depth in state-of-the-art techniques for selected problems.

Topics of Interest include (but are not limited to):

- *Evolution, phylogeny, comparative genomics
- *Gene expression array analysis
- *Metabolic pathway analysis
- *MicroRNA analysis
- *Molecular sequence alignment and analysis
- *Pattern recognition/data mining/optimization methods in Bioinformatics
- *Visualization of large biological data sets
- *Systems and synthetic biology
- *Structure prediction and folding
- *Modelling, simulation, and optimization of biological systems
- *Biological network reconstruction/robustness/evolvability
- *Epigenomics
- *Medical imaging and pattern recognition
- *Biomedical data modelling/data mining/model parametrization
- *Parallel/high performance computing
- *Big data analysis and tools for biological and medical data
- *Biomarker discovery and development
- *Health data acquisition/analysis/mining
- *Healthcare information systems/knowledge representation/reasoning
- *Personalized medicine and treatment optimization
- *Biopharmaceutical manufacturing
- *Closed-loop optimization methods/platforms

Submission Process

The IEEE CIM requires all prospective authors to submit their manuscripts in electronic format, as a PDF file. The maximum length for Papers is typically 20 double-spaced typed pages with 12 point font, including figures and references. Submitted manuscript must be typewritten in English in single column format. Authors of Papers should specify on the first page of their submitted manuscript up to 5 keywords. Additional information about submission guidelines and information for authors is provided at the IEEE CIM website.

Submission will be made via <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=ieeecimcitbb2018>.

Important dates

- 15th November, 2017:** Submission of manuscript
- 15th January, 2018: Notification of review results
- 15th February, 2018: Submission of revised manuscript
- 15th March, 2018: Submission of final manuscript
- August 2018: Publication

Competitions, Prizes and Awards

INFORMS Computing Society (ICS) Prize



<https://www.informs.org/Recognizing-Excellence/Community-Prizes/INFORMS-Computing-Society/INFORMS-Computing-Society-Prize/ICS-Prize-Application-Process>

The INFORMS Computing Society (ICS) Prize is an annual award for the best English language paper or group of related papers dealing with the Operations Research/Computer Science interface. The award is accompanied by a certificate and a \$1,000 honorarium. The award will be presented at the ICS Business Meeting that will take place during the INFORMS Annual Meeting in Houston from October 22-15, 2017.

The goals of the prize are:

- * To promote the development of high-quality work advancing the state of the art in the operations research/computer science interface;
- * To publicize and reward the contributions of those authors/researchers who have advanced the state of the art; and
- * To increase the visibility of excellent work in the field.

Conditions for eligibility:

- * Published in the open literature;
- * Pertinent to the interface of operations research and computer science;
- * Written in English.

Nomination process:

The nomination package should consist of a cover letter and a copy of each nominated work. The cover letter should provide the title, author's name, place and date of publication as well as a justification for the nomination. Self-nominations are allowed but discouraged. All nominations should be submitted electronically to

icsprize@mail.informs.org

by midnight EDT, **July 15, 2017**. All submissions will be acknowledged by the committee chair.

ICS Prize Awards Committee

Jon Lee, University of Michigan
Jeff Linderth, University of Wisconsin-Madison (chair)
Jean-Paul Watson, Sandia National Lab

Upcoming Conferences

Event Date	Event	Location	Submission Deadline
5th June 2017	Workshop on Data Science meets Optimisation	San Sebastián, Spain & Padova, Italy	1st April 2017
5th-8th June 2017	CPAIOR 2017 (14th International Conference on Integration of Artificial Intelligence and Operations Research Techniques in Constraint Programming)	Padova, Italy	16th November 2016
5th-8th June 2017	17th Haifa Workshop on Graphs, Combinatorics and Algorithms	Haifa, Israel	1st May 2017
6th-8th June 2017	CTW 2017 (15th Cologne-Twente Workshop on Graphs and Combinatorial Optimization)	Cologne, Germany	19th March 2017
12th-15th June 2017	EWEPA (15th European Workshop on Efficiency and Productivity Analysis)	London, UK	15th February 2017
12th-16th June 2017	SUMMER SCHOOL ATOM 2017 on Application and Theory in MultiObjective Optimization	Lille / Villeneuve d'Ascq, France	30th April 2017
12th-16th June 2017	MAPSP 2017 (13th Workshop on Models and Algorithms for Planning and Scheduling Problems)	Seeon-Seebrück, Germany	1st February 2017
15th June 2017	The OR Society: Annual Analytics Summit	London, UK	
18th-23rd June 2017	ICAPS 2017 (27th International Conference on Automated Planning and Scheduling)	Pittsburgh, USA	18th November 2016
19th-20th June 2017	4th International Workshop on Planning of Emergency Services: Theory and Practice.	Delft, The Netherlands	31st May 2017

19th-21st June 2017	LION11, the 11th Learning and Intelligent Optimization Conference	Nizhny Novgorod, Russia	25th December 2016
19th-22nd June 2017	Workshop in Mixed Integer Programming (MIP 2017)	Québec, Canada	1st March 2017
25th-28th June 2017	37th International Symposium on Forecasting	Cairns, Australia	27th March 2017
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	13th February 2016
26th-29th June 2017	15th International Conference on Data Envelopment Analysis. DEA2017	Prague, Czech Republic	15th March 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
28th-30th June 2017	ICAOR (9th Applied Operational Research Conference)	Milan, Italy	13th March 2017
28th June 2017	EURO WG Pricing & Revenue Management Workshop	Amsterdam, The Netherlands	1st April 2017
29th-30th June 2017	INFORMS Revenue Management & Pricing Section Conference	Amsterdam, The Netherlands	1st April 2017
29th-30th June 2017	EURO HOpe Mini-Conference	Vienna, Austria	28th March 2017
2nd-8th July 2017	Summer School on Optimization, Big data and Applications (OBA)	Veroli, Italy	15th March 2017
3rd July 2017	ISUT'2017 International Workshop on Intelligent & Sustainable Urban Transportation	Crete, Greece	12th April 2017
3rd-5th July 2017	The State of the Art in the Use of Expert Judgement in Risk and Decision Analyses	Delft, The Netherlands	

3rd-6th July 2017	CMBA 2017 (Computational Methods for Business Analytics)	Trieste, Italy	28th March 2017
4th-7th July 2017	Metaheuristics International Conference (MIC 2017)	Barcelona, Spain	31st January 2017
7th-8th July 2017	EFiC Conference in Banking and Finance	Colchester, UK	7th June 2017
7th-10th July 2017	Data Envelopment Analysis International Conference	Hefei, China	10th May 2017
9th-14th July 2017	ISOLDE (International Symposium on Locational Decisions) XIV	Toronto, Canada	28th February 2017
10th-12th July 2017	VeRoLog 2017	Amsterdam, The Netherlands	10th March 2017
10th-12th July 2017	INFORMS Applied Probability Society Conference 2017 (APS)	Evanston, USA	31st March 2017
10th-14th July 2017	MCDM 2017 (24th International Conference on Multiple Criteria Decision Making)	Ottawa, Canada	1st March 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	17th February 2017
17th-21st July 2017	28th International Workshop on Combinatorial Algorithms (IWOCA 2017)	Newcastle, Australia	31st March 2017
21st-24th July 2017	International Conference on Risk Analysis, Decision Analysis and Security	Beijing, China	15th April 2017
21st-25th July 2017	Healthcare Operations Research Summer School in Twente	Enschede, The Netherlands	10th April 2017
24th-25th July 2017	International Symposium on Industrial Engineering and Operations Management	Bristol, UK	14th March 2017

24th July-4th August 2017	Big Data and Analytics Summer School	Essex, UK	14th May 2017
26th-28th July 2017	INFORMS Healthcare Conference	Rotterdam, The Netherlands	24th March 2017
26th-29th July 2017	INFORMS Transportation and Logistics Society. First Triennial Conference	Chicago, USA	5th January 2017
30th July - 4th August 2017	ORAHS 2017	Bath, UK	12th May 2017
7th-18th August 2017	27th Jyväskylä Summer School	Jyväskylä, Finland	30th April 2017
14th-18th August 2017	Group Decision and Negotiation International Conference (GDN 2017)	Stuttgart, Germany	31st January 2017
14th-18th August 2017	FRICO 2017 (21st Workshop on Future Research on Combinatorial Optimization)	Trier, Germany	30th June 2017
16th-18th August 2017	MOPTA 2017	Bethlehem, PA, USA	15th June 2017
20th-24th August 2017	SPUDM26 (The 26th Subjective Probability, Utility, and Decision Making Conference)	Technion, Israel	15th March 2017
22nd-23rd August 2017	Symposium on Innovations and Sustainability	Hong Kong	20th April 2017
23rd-25th August 2017	IWLS 2017 - International Workshop on Lot Sizing	Glasgow, UK	1st June 2017
23rd-26th August 2017	7th International Conference on Logistics and Maritime Systems	Bergen, Norway	28th February 2017
28th August 2017	MCDMT 2017 (3rd Workshop on Modeling, Computing and Data Handling for Marine Transportation)	Larnaka, Cyprus	29th May 2017
28th August 2017	CP / ICLP / SAT Doctoral Program	Melbourne, Australia	19th June 2017
28th-31st August	Autumn School: Optimization in Machine Learning and Data Science	Trier, Germany	15th June 2017

28th August-1st September 2017	Eurocomb 2017 (European Conference on Combinatorics, Graph Theory and Applications)	Vienna, Austria	15th March 2017
29th August-1st September 2017	CP 2017 (International Conference on Principles and Practice of Constraint Programming)	Melbourne, Australia	27th April 2017
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	30th April 2017
4th-7th September 2017	10th International Workshop on Computational Optimization (WCO17)	Prague, Czech Republic	10th May 2017
6th-8th September 2017	IV Workshop on Optimization Under Uncertainty in Sustainable Agriculture and Agrifood Industry	Lleida, Spain	7th August 2017
6th-8th September 2017	OR 2017 International Annual Meeting of the German OR Society (GOR)	Berlin, Germany	9th May 2017
6th-8th September 2017	Optimization 2017	Lisbon, Portugal	21st May 2017
6th-8th September 2017	2nd. Global Conference on Theory and Applications of OR/OM for Sustainability (GCTAOS)	Beijing, China	30th April 2017
7th September 2017	17th Workshop on Algorithmic Approaches for Transportation Modeling, Optimization, and Systems (ATMOS 2017)	Vienna, Austria	24th June 2017
11th-15th September 2017	Lagos 2017 (IX Latin and American Algorithms, Graphs and Optimization Symposium)	Marseille, France	31st March 2017
12th-14th September 2017	UK OR Society OR59 Annual Conference	Loughborough UK	30th May 2017
14th-15th September	BLGDRC Annual Conference 2017	Colchester, UK	

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14th-17th September 2017	3rd Int. Workshop on Machine learning, Optimization & big Data - MOD 2017	Tuscany, Italy	31st May 2017
18th-20th September 2017	2017 IEEE International Conference on Service Operations and Logistics, and Informatics (SOLI 2017)	Bari, Italy	15th March 2017
18th-22nd September 2017	CP & OR Summer School	Porquerolles, France	31st July 2017
20th-22nd September 2017	European Conference on Stochastic Optimization	Rome, Italy	25th May 2017
21st-22nd September 2017	The Karlsruhe Service Summit (KSS) Research Workshop	Karlsruhe, Germany	9th June 2017
25th-28th September 2017	18th French-German-Italian Conference on Optimization	Paderborn, Germany	23rd May 2017
26th-30th September 2017	DMMS (1st International Conference on Decision Making in Manufacturing and Services)	Zakopane, Poland	21st May 2017
27th-29th September 2017	SOR '17 The 14th International Symposium on Operations Research in Slovenia	Bled, Slovenia	7th June 2017
27th-29th September 2017	I International Conference on Agro BigData and Decision Support Systems in Agriculture	Montevideo, Uruguay	4th June 2017
2nd-7th October 2017	VIII International Conference Optimization and Applications (OPTIMA-2017)	Petrovac, Montenegro	25th May 2017
11th-13th October 2017	IESM2017 - International Conference on Industrial Engineering and Systems Management	Saarbrücken, Germany	17th April 2017
18th-20th October 2017	8th International Conference on Computational Logistics (ICCL'17)	Southampton, UK	8th June 2017
22nd-25th	2017 INFORMS Annual Meeting	Houston, Texas,	15th May 2017

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23rd-25th October 2017	The 8th Conference on Decision and Game Theory for Security	Vienna, Austria	29th June 2017
24th-26th October 2017	ISFUROS 2017	Villa Clara, Cuba	23rd June 2017
25th-26th October 2017	International Congress on Industrial Engineering and Operations Management	Bogota, Colombia	30th May 2017
25th-27th October 2017	ADT 2017 -- 5th International Conference on Algorithmic Decision Theory	Luxembourg	9th April 2017
30th-31st October 2017	12th International Conference on Multiple Objective Programming and Goal Programming (MOPGP 2017)	Metz, France	15th June 2017
3rd-4th November 2017	COMPSE - 2nd EAI International Conference on Computer Science and Engineering	Bangkok, Thailand	30th June 2017
24th-25th November 2017	Kolkom 2017 (Colloquium on Combinatorics)	Paderborn, Germany	31st October 2017
27th November - 1st December 2017	2017 IEEE Symposium Series on Computational Intelligence (IEEE SSCI 2017)	Hawaii, USA	2nd July 2017
3rd-6th December 2017	Winter Simulation Conference 2017	Las Vegas, USA	28th April 2017
5th-8th December 2017	MISTA 2017	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	31st July 2017
9th-12th December 2017	ISAAC 2017 (28th International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation)	Phuket, Thailand	29th June 2017
10th-13th December 2017	2017 IEEE International Conference on Industrial Engineering and Engineering Management	Singapore	1st June 2017
16th-20th December 2017	4th Conference on Optimization Methods and Software	Havana, Cuba	15th September 2017

21st-23rd December 2017	AFOR 2017: "Advancing Frontiers in Operational Research: Towards a Sustainable World"	Calcutta, India	31st May 2017
8th-10th January 2018	6th INFORMS Transportation Science and Logistics Society Workshop "E-Commerce and Urban Logistics"	Hong Kong	7th July 2017
17th-19th January 2018	BAFI 2018. 3rd Conference on Business Analytics in Finance and Industry	Santiago, Chile	30th June 2017
25th-27th January 2018	WGSCO2018 (Workshop on Graph Spectra, Combinatorics and Optimization)	Aveiro, Portugal	30th September 2017
19th-21st March 2018	9th Simulation Workshop (SW18)	Stratford, UK	9th October 2017
22nd-23rd March 2018	19th EU/ME Workshop on Metaheuristics for Industry	Geneva, Switzerland	3rd November 2017