3rd Announcement and Call for Papers

25TH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON OPERATIONAL RESEARCH (EURO XXV)
Vilnius, Lithuania, 8-11 July, 2012

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THIRD ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS
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The Organizers of the 25th EURO Conference have a great pleasure of inviting you to take part in this Conference to be held in Vilnius, Lithuania on 8-11 July, 2012.

The Programme and Organizing Committees, chaired by Marielle Christiansen and Leonidas Sakalauskas, are preparing a high quality scientific programme and an exciting social programme for the Conference.

We are convinced that the EURO XXV Conference will be an excellent opportunity for the OR community to get together again in a pleasant atmosphere, and, thus, we are looking forward to seeing you in Vilnius, the historical capital of Lithuania, in 2012!

Please, visit the EURO XXV Conference website (www.euro-2012.lt) for more
PLENARY SPEAKERS
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Ralph E. Gomory
Finn E. Kydland
Hans-Jürgen Zimmermann

KEYNOTE & TUTORIAL SPEAKERS:
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Jon Caulkins - Optimal Control and OR Applications
Guy Desaulniers - Column Generation
Jitka Dupacova - Stochastic programming - a flexible tool for decision making under uncertainty
Erhan Erkut - Education
Matteo Fischetti - On the role of randomness in exact tree search methods
Ignacio Grossmann - Optimization in Process Systems Engineering
Karla Hoffman - Combinatorial Auctions and Applications
Bjorn Jorgensen - Accounting
Ceyda Oguz - Computational Biology
Boris Polyak - Optimization and Optimal Control
Anita Schöbel - Optimization in Public Transportation
Kenneth Sorensen - Metaheuristics

CALL FOR PAPERS AND SESSIONS:
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We invite all researchers, academicians, practitioners, as well as students interested in any branch of operational research, mathematical modelling or economic analysis to participate at the Conference and to present their papers.

Invited and contributed papers will be organized in parallel sessions. In general, sessions will be a part of the Conference streams, and streams are grouped by areas.

No participant can present more than one paper at the Conference (but may be a co-author for other papers).

Abstract submission and registration are done online, via the Conference web page (www.euro-2012.lt)


Researchers who want to organize a stream or an invited session or contribute with a paper within an invited session should contact the PC member of the corresponding area.

AREAS:
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(and PC members in charge; see contacts further below)

- Continuous Optimization / GW Weber
- Control Theory & System Dynamics / R Hartl
- Data Mining Knowledge Discovery and Artificial Intelligence / V Mousseau
- DEA and Performance Measurement / E Fernandez
- Decision Analysis, Decision Support Systems / V Mousseau
- Discrete Optimization, Geometry & Graphs / S Martello
- Emerging applications of OR / GW Weber
- Energy/Environment and Climate / P Letmathe
- Financial Modeling & Risk Management / SW Wallace
- Fuzzy Systems and Softcomputing / SW Wallace
- Game, Theory, Mathematical Economics / GW Weber
- Location / E Fernandez
- Logistics, Transportation, Traffic / M Sevaux
- Metaheuristics / R Hartl
- Multiple Criteria Decision Making and Optimization / V Mousseau
- OR Education, History, Ethics / M Sevaux
- OR in Health & Life Sciences / K Aardal
- OR in Industry and Software for OR / M Rönnqvist
- OR in Natural Resources / M Rönnqvist
- OR for Development and Developing Countries / GW Weber
- Production Management & Supply Chain Management / E Fernandez
- Revenue Management & Managerial Accounting / P Letmathe
- Scheduling, Time Tabling & Project Management / M Sevaux
- Soft OR and Problem Structuring Methods / SW Wallace
- Telecommunication & Networks / K Aardal

IMPORTANT DATES:
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Deadline for abstract submission: February 29, 2012
Notification of acceptance: March 31, 2012
Deadline for early registration: April 22, 2012
Deadline for author registration (for inclusion in the program): May 1, 2012
Conference: July 8-11, 2012

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AWARDS:
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During the EURO XXV conference the following prizes will be awarded:
- The EURO Gold Medal 2012,
- The EURO Distinguished Service Medal (EDSM 2012),
- The EURO Doctoral Dissertation Award (EDDA 2012),
- The EURO Excellence in Practice Award (EPA 2012),
- The EURO/ROADEF Challenge 2012,
- The EURO Award for the Best EJOR Paper.

THE PROGRAMME IN BRIEF:
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The Conference starts July 8 (Sunday), 4 pm, with the Opening Session, including the
awards ceremony. This will be followed by the Welcome Reception at the Lithuanian
National Opera and Ballet Theatre, at 6 pm.

The working sessions will occupy most of the following three days, July 9-11, starting
Monday morning.

In the evening of July 9 conference participants and accompanying persons are
invited to a Reception by the Mayor of Vilnius, followed by a dance performance.

The Conference Gala Dinner will be held in the evening of July 10, at the yard of
Vilnius Picture Gallery which is an outstanding building of the late classicism style
and one of the finest ensembles of its kind in Vilnius.

In the late afternoon of July 11, the Conference ends with another social event which
should not to be missed: The Farewell Party, being held in the courtyard of Vilnius
University.

For detailed information about Vilnius, please, visit the Conference webpage
www.euro-2012.lt
REGISTRATION FEES:
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- Regular: 320 Euros (early); 420 Euros (late),
- Student: 120 Euros (early); 180 Euros (late),
- Accompanying persons: 120 Euros.

Early registration ends April 22, 2012.

The regular/student registration fee includes:
- Participation in all sessions, and access to the exhibition area,
- Conference materials (Final Program, Book of Abstracts),
- Participation in the Welcome Reception, July 8,
- Participation in the Mayor of Vilnius City reception, July 9,
- Participation in the Farewell Party, July 11,
- Coffee breaks and lunches, July 8-11,
- 3-day city public transportation card (with badges).

The registration fee for accompanying persons includes:
- Participation in the Welcome Reception, the Mayor Vilnius City reception and the Farewell party,
- Lunches, July 8-11,
- Vilnius City tour,
- 3-day city public transportation card (with badges).

The Gala dinner is charged separately, at 55 Euros per person.

EURO will provide up to 10,000 Euros to cover (in parts) the registration fees (in early registration rates) of attendees in need. Preference will be given to regular and student participants from Eastern Europe. All applicants should send an email to info@euro-2012.lt before registration.

Reduced fees for retired persons are limited to 20, dispensed on a first-come-first-serve basis.

All applicants for both groups should send an email to info@euro-2012.lt before registration.

ABOUT LITHUANIA AND VILNIUS
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Lithuania with its modern capital of Vilnius is geographically situated in the centre of Europe on the crossroads between East and West. The country is interesting and in fact exciting from the viewpoints of its unique nature, its thousands year old history, and its attractive culture. Vilnius can be reached by plane from the most important hubs in Europe.

FURTHER INFORMATION:
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CfP - Euro-2012 http://www.euro-2012.lt/cfp
We recommend participants to book:

1. hotel rooms and air tickets as early as possible
2. accommodation in Vilnius through the Conference webpage. The Conference Secretariat has reserved a large number of rooms in a variety of hotels in Vilnius at specially negotiated rates.

Conference participants from research institutes of Belarus, Bulgaria, Czech, Estonia, Hungary, Montenegro, Latvia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, and Ukraine, can apply for partial support to the expenses of their stay in Lithuania according to agreements signed between the Academies of Science of these countries and the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences (http://lma.lt/index.php?lang=en). Requests for invitation letters, which are necessary for such applications, should be addressed by email to info@euro-2012.lt after registration.

For more details, consult the conference site, www.euro-2012.lt, where all relevant information will progressively be included.

Further proposals for Book or Software Exhibitions are welcome.

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