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Special Volume: Operations Research Confronting the Crisis

The *Annals of Operations Research* seeks submissions for a special volume on *Operations Research Confronting the Crisis*. The deadline for submission is **31st of December 2013**.

Main topics of interest:

In the highly volatile socio-economic environment that emerged due to the recent global crisis, new opportunities have arisen for the development and application of operations research (OR) methodologies. These challenges/opportunities involve a wide spectrum of areas that extend well beyond the economic and financial aspects of the crisis, as both public policy makers and corporate managers adjust their goals to the new context, where issues such as sustainable development, employment growth, social welfare, business ethics, and corporate governance, have gained much importance.

The purpose of this special volume is to present the recent advances of OR models in all areas where decision making has been affected by the crisis. On the methodological side, the volume aims to present new realistic and powerful OR models with direct practical contributions. These may include new decision making approaches, formulations and solution algorithms, procedures for improving computational performance, as well as implementations into decision support systems. Case studies and papers presenting innovative applications are also highly welcome. Such papers should highlight the unique contributions of OR in the practice of public entities, firms, and organizations in the context of the crisis, test the actual performance of OR methods, indicate the existing limitations, and provide significant new insights into the problems under consideration.

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