

3rd Announcement

EURO Mini Conference XXVIII on Variable Neighbourhood Search: EUROMC – XXVIII – VNS

4-7 October 2012. Herceg Novi, Montenegro.

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Organization

- Honorary Chair of the Conference: **Pierre Hansen**, GERAD and HEC Montreal, Canada.
- Conference Chairs: **Nenad Mladenovic**, Brunel, UK and JUPIM, Serbia; **José A. Moreno Pérez**, University of La Laguna, Spain.
- Program Committee Chairs: **Emilio Carrizosa**, University of Seville, Spain; **Belén Melián Batista**, University of La Laguna, Spain.
- Organizing Committee Chair: **Dragan Urošević**, Mathematical Institute SASA, Beograd.
- Secretary: **Sanja Roksandic**, Mathematical Institute, SASA, Beograd.

Scope and Objectives The EURO Mini Conference XXVIII dedicated to **Variable Neighborhood Search** (EUROMC-XXVIII-VNS) will be held in Herceg Novi (Montenegro) October 4-7, 2012.

The **EURO Mini Conferences** (EUROMC) constitute one of the instruments provided by EURO (the Association of European Operational Research societies) to promote the research in its field of interest. Each EUROMC is a specialized conference focusing on a particular promising OR theme of research. These events are organized to allow specialists and practitioners of the selected topic of research to effectively screen papers and participate in lively debates.

VNS is a metaheuristic based on systematic changes in the neighbourhood structure within a search, for solving optimization problems and related tasks. The main goal of the EUROMC-XXVIII-VNS is to provide a stimulating environment in which researchers coming from various scientific fields can share and discuss their knowledge, expertise and ideas related to the VNS Metaheuristic and its applications.

Submissions The submission of papers ends on July 01, 2012. Papers with graphic applications should not exceed 8 pages. The accepted papers will appear in conference proceedings and their short abstracts (up to a half page) will appear in the short book of abstracts. Authors can send just abstract (up to a half page) of their presentation. The accepted abstracts will appear in short book of abstracts. The official language of the conference is English.

Conference Proceedings All papers accepted for presentation will be published in Electronic Notes in Discrete Mathematics volume (ENDM macro files for paper preparation can be found [here](#)), before the conference starts.

Conference Book of Abstracts All accepted papers/abstracts will be published in short Book of abstracts (without ISBN).

Publication in Special Issues (after the conference) Conference Chairs and Program Committee Chairs agreed publication of three special issues, directly connected to papers presented at this conference:

- Journal of Global Optimization (JOGO), Springer Netherlands.
- IMA Journal of Management Mathematics (IMA-MAN), Oxford University Press.
- Yugoslav Journal of Operations Research (YUJOR).

Plenary speakers *Panos M. Pardalos*, University of Florida, USA. *Richard F. Hartl*, University of Vienna, Austria. *Celso C. Ribeiro*, Universidade Federal Fluminense, Brasil.

Venue The conference will be held at the Plaža hotel in Herceg Novi, Montenegro. Tivat (20km away) and Dubrovnik (25km away) are two international airports connecting Herceg Novi with worldwide cities by air traffic. From Dubrovnik and Tivat airports, Herceg Novi is easily accessible by taxi cab and by regular buses.

Registration fee	Normal	Student
Before August 1, 2012	230 € (305 \$)	80 € (105 \$)
After August 1, 2012	270 € (355 \$)	100 € (130 \$)

with the notice for the authors who wish their papers to be published in the Proceedings, the payment deadline is August 25, 2012.

The registration fee includes conference Proceedings, extended abstract booklet and documentation, lunches, coffee breaks and social program (gala dinner and excursion to Dubrovnik). To qualify as a student, the delegate must present a student card. Support from EURO may be granted to seven delegates from Eastern European countries and support from SEIO may be granted to some of its Ph.D. students.

Important dates

May 01, 2012	Participant registration	
June 12, 2012	July 04, 2012	Paper submission
July 20, 2012	August 05, 2012	Acceptance notice
September 04, 2012	Preliminary program schedule notice	
October 04 - 07, 2012	Conference	

Program Committee

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