

EDITORIAL ARTICLES ROADEF 2006

ROADEF 2006 was the 7th conference of the French Operations Research society (ROADEF: Société Française de Recherche Opérationnelle et d'Aide à la Décision – see <http://www.roadef.org>).

The aim of this conference series is to bring together, once a year, researchers on Operations Research. A specific attention is devoted to young researchers.

In 2006, this conference held in Lille was organized by the L.I.F.L. laboratory (University of Lille I) and the L.A.M.I.H. laboratory from the University of Valenciennes. The main figures of the conference are: 375 participants to the conference, coming from 12 countries, 250 presentations.

The conference last three days and two plenary sessions were planned:

- Jacek Blazewicz: “New OR models for selected bioinformatics problems”,
- Gilbert Laporte : “La petite et la grande histoire du problème du voyageur de commerce”.

Moreover, an introductory session of Bernard Roy on “Regard historique sur la place de la Recherche Opérationnelle et d'aide à la décision en France” was proposed.

Following the conference as usual a special issue has been proposed > in RAIRO-OR. Eleven papers were submitted and four were selected. These are the following:

- “À propos de la signification des dépendances entre critères : Quelle place et quels modes de prise en compte pour l'aide à la décision?”, by Bernard Roy.
- “Configuration des lignes d'usinages à boîtiers multibroches : une approche mixte”, by Olga Guschinskaya, Alexandre Dolgui.
- “A new any-order schedule generation scheme for resource- constrained project scheduling”, by Cyril Briand. “Do approximate derivatives hurt filter methods?”, by Caroline Sainvitu.

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