

Invitation to ORAHS 2020 (July 26th –31st)

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Welcome back to University of VIENNA!



The **EURO Working Group on Operational Research Applied to Health Services (ORAHS)** was formed in 1975 as part of a program for developing special interest groups within the European branch, EURO, of the International Federation of Operational Research Societies, IFORS. The group currently has 242 members from 30 countries, mainly from Europe but also from overseas (e.g., USA, Canada, and Brazil). The group meets for a week each summer in a different, mainly European, host country. Meetings are open to anyone with a quantitative background and/or an interest in the subject area. However, the number of participants can be limited to ensure that an open debate is possible. The objectives of the group are to impart ideas, knowledge and experience on the application of OR approaches and methods to problems in the health services area, mutual support of members, co-operation on joint projects and stimulation of approaches and attitudes in the field of applied Operational Research (<http://orahs.di.unito.it/about.html>).

Location (air-conditioned):

University of Vienna, Austria

Faculty of Business, Economics, Statistics

Oskar-Morgenstern-Platz 1, A-1090 Vienna

Important Dates:

- **Conference:** July 26th –31st, 2020
- **Abstract submission deadline:** February 21st, 2020
- **Notification of acceptance:** March 31st, 2020
- **Deadline for early registration:** April 30th, 2020
- **Deadline late of registration:** May 20th, 2020

Outline:

The academic sessions, which consist of a combination of plenaries and parallel streams with oral presentations, will take place from Sunday, 26th, to Friday, 31st July 2020. There is also a poster session for students with the best poster being awarded a prize. In addition, we have two outstanding keynote speakers: Prof. Dr. Peter Zweifel, Professor emeritus of the Department of Economics of the University of Zurich, and Prof. Greg Zaric PhD, Faculty Director of Management Science, Ivey Business School, Canada (plus Canada Research Chair in Health Care Management Science). There is also a round table entitled "Challenges and Development in Health Care Prevention" with distinguished national and international researchers and policy makers, moderated by Prof. Dr. Robert Fitzgerald, Head of the Karl Landsteiner Institute for Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine and Head of the Health Political Forum (<https://www.gesundheitspolitischesforum.at/>). The social program offers an attractive introduction to Austrian culture and the Austrian heritage (city tour, Schönbrunn Palace tour, Danube boat trip).

Local Organizing Committee

- Marion Rauner, University of Vienna, Austria
- Patrick Hirsch, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria
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