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Dear CORS members,

First, a message from our president as we approach the halfway mark for the 2021/2022 CORS year. Jules reflects on the great work accomplished so far and looks forward to the things to come, the 2022 joint CORS-INFORMS International Conference. You will find a detailed update on the conference's committee and co-chairs and a link to the website in this bulletin.

It's time to consider nominating individuals and an organization for the Harold Larnder Prize, the Omond Solandt Award, the Eldon Gunn Service Award, and the CORS Award of Merit. You will find the nomination criteria for each award in this issue, so please have a look and see who springs to mind.

Lastly, the submission deadlines for the conference competitions are finalised and you will find them in the competition details. Please take note and start planning your intent to participate.

Cheers.

Andrea

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CORS Council consists of the officers of the society, four councillors, the immediate past president, and the standing committee chairs. Contact information for council representatives is below. See www.cors.ca for a complete listing.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear CORS members,

Hope everyone is finding a good balance in their work/personal life amid continued COVID related restrictions. I am now 5 months into my term as president and very happy with the progress we are making towards achieving the goals I set for my term.

The biggest challenge was tackling the need to upgrade our accounting system. While mundane in nature, it is a very important project for Council as it will increase transparency, improve our budgeting process, and ensure that we continue to operate within our bylaws. I am happy to announce that we are working with an accounting firm as of October and we are confident that everything will be in place by year end.

We are also working to strengthen the link between academia and industry through a strong industry committee. I see a high level of enthusiasm from this committee which should lead to some interesting outcomes. Stay tuned.



Micro-conferences will be back this year. There are currently a few events in the planning stage so we should be able to announce something in the coming weeks.

Planning is well under way for the joint CORS/INFORMS International Conference, scheduled for June 5-8, 2022, in beautiful Vancouver, British Columbia. I expect the energy level at this conference to be through the roof as it will mark three years since we've been together in person to talk about OR in Canada and around the world. Mark your calendars, submit your abstracts and plan to be in Vancouver next summer.

Be on the lookout for a call for nominations for Council positions coming soon. Council will be discussing nominations at its January meeting. If you or someone you know is interested in getting involved in CORS at the Council level, please contact me and we can discuss your potential involvement.

Be kind to each other!

Jules Comeau



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CORS Membership

The CORS website is ready to accept payment of membership fees for the upcoming year **2022–2023** for those who want to renew before the end of the year. Invoices will be mailed to members in January. You may be able to use an NSERC grant to pay membership dues. Please renew your membership at (http://www.cors.ca/sites/cors_php/en/membership/renewal.php) For more information, please email members@cors.ca

CORS FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Graduate Student Funding for CORS Annual Conference

CORS funds graduate students attending the CORS Annual Conference, using funds from SSHRC, when available. This funding is subject to availability and the following eligibility criteria:

- Student is a member of CORS, enrolled in a graduate program in a field related to operational research, studying at a Canadian university, or student is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident studying abroad
- Student must attend the CORS Annual Conference and present their registration receipt to receive any funding

The following criteria will be used to determine the amount awarded to each eligible applicant:

- If the applicant is presenting a paper at the conference.
- Travel cost from student's home city to the conference.

Students in the Undergraduate Category of the Student Paper Competition who attend the CORS Annual Conference as finalists or in any other capacity are eligible for partial financial assistance for their travel expenses.

Applicants fill out the online application form (https://cors.ca/?q=content/student-funding-cors-conference-financement-des-étudiants-au-congrès-de-la-scro)

The application deadline is **31 March 2022**. Applicants who meet this deadline will be notified at least one month before the conference date whether or not their application was successful.

For more information, contact Nadia Lahrichi CORS Education Chair (nadia.lahrichi@polymtl.ca)

Traveling Speakers Program (TSP)

The TSP enables local sections to bring Canadian OR practitioners / researchers as speakers to their local events. To keep costs in line while maximizing the CORS national profile, CORS sponsorship will be limited to 50% of the total expenses, up to a maximum of \$500 per speaker or \$1000 for a single event (conference, workshop). Other expenses can be covered by the local section. The program of the event must acknowledge the contribution of CORS. Each local section must contact the TSP coordinator to obtain approval for funding preferably at least one month in advance of the event date. Payment will be made by the CORS Treasurer upon receipt of the expense form (http://www.cors.ca/?q=content/traveling-speakers-program).

Please submit applications to **Peter VanBerkel** (vicepresident@cors.ca)





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Website: http://meetings2.informs.org/wordpress/2022international



The CORS-INFORMS 2022 International Conference Vancouver – June 5-8, 2022

Dear CORS members,

I am excited to report that the conference organizing committee co-chairs are all confirmed. Please see the list below for the name and affiliation of conference co-chairs:

Program Committee Chairs		Practice Curated Sessions	
Marina Epelman	University of Michigan	Michael Fry	University of Cincinnati
Christopher Ryan	UBC	Jeffrey Ohlmann	University of Iowa
Committee's choice		Tutorial sessions	
Tinglong Dai	John Hopkins	Mikael Ronnqvist	Laval
Dionne Aleman	U of T	Archis Ghate	U Washington
Sponsored Sessions		Plenary/Keynote	
Fredrik Odegaard	U Western Ontario	Harish Krishnan	UBC
Thiago Serra	Bucknell	Abraham Punnen	SFU
Contributed Sessions		Arrangements	
Amir Ardestani-Jaafari	UBC-O	Gregory Paradis	UBC
Bahareh Mansouri	St Mary's	Krishna Malladi	Fraser Health Authority

In addition, the conference website http://meetings2.informs.org/wordpress/2022international/ is up and running. The planning of the conference is underway and call for abstract submission will start soon. Please check the conference website for abstract submission and updates about the conference.

We look forward to seeing you in Vancouver!

Best regards,

Taraneh Sowlati Professor University of British Columbia Conference Chair



CORS AWARDS: CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

OMOND SOLANDT AWARD

The Omond Solandt Award is awarded to an organization, private or governmental, that is deemed to have made an outstanding contribution to operational research in Canada. Dr. Solandt was the founder and first chairman of the Defence Research Board. At various times in his life, he headed the Science Council of Canada, was a vice-chairman of Canadian National Railways, and Chancellor of the University of Toronto.

If you know of any private or governmental organization that has made an outstanding contribution to OR in Canada, please nominate them for the Omond Solandt Award. To nominate a company for the award, please email **Peter VanBerkel** (vicepresident@cors.ca) by **17 January 2022** with the company's name, headquarters location (city, country), and a brief statement supporting the nomination. Please also provide a contact person within the company if possible.

CORS AWARD OF MERIT

The Award of Merit acknowledges significant contributions of a current or past member of CORS to the profession of operational research. Significant contributions can include:

- being specially recognized as an operational research practitioner;
- the development of a methodology relevant to the use of operational research;
- the supervision and development of operational research competence in others;
- the promotion of operational research in Canada through talks, presentations, articles, books, or by other means: and
- service to CORS at either the national or local level

Nomination submission date TBA Michael Pavlin (mpavlin@wlu.ca)



ELDON GUNN SERVICE AWARD

The Eldon Gunn Service Award is presented to Members of the Society who have made outstanding contributions of time and service to the Society, at the national or local level, as conference organisers or as editors of CORS publications. Eldon Gunn was a major contributor to the Society since the early 1980s and to operational research in Canada since the 1970s. He was one of the first recipients of the service award in 1987 after serving in Council and acting as conference chair for the 27th CORS Annual Conference in Halifax in 1985. He went on to serve as president of the Society in 1991 and continued his service with passion up until his passing in 2016.

If you know of anyone who has dedicated their time to CORS and who has a longstanding service record, please consider nominating him or her for the Eldon Gunn Service Award. CORS Council urges all local sections to consider and nominate their best candidates. Nominations should include the candidate's name, activities, positions, and corresponding years of service. The Awards Committee will evaluate the submissions and bring forward potential recipients to Council for approval. Nominees will be evaluated based on a point system. As a guideline, winners should have 2000 or more points. Previous winners are not eligible for additional service awards. A list of past recipients can be found at www.cors.ca

Please submit nominations by 6 March 2022 to Peter VanBerkel (vicepresident@cors.ca)

POINT SYSTEM

Responsibility	Points	Responsibility	Points
CORS Council		Publications	
President	500	Bulletin Editor	200
Vice-President	350	INFOR Editor	350
Secretary	300	INFOR Special Issue	250
Treasurer	300	Others	150
Councillor	250		
Appointed Member	200	Local Council	
Past President	250	President	250
		Vice-President	175
International Conference		Secretary	150
Conference Chair	350	Treasurer	150
Committee Chair	300	Others	100
Committee Member	200	Past President	100
National Conference			
Conference Chair	300		
Committee Chair	250		
Committee Member	200		



COMPETITIONS

PRACTICE PRIZE COMPETITION

The Practice Prize Competition recognizes the outstanding application of OR by practitioners in Canada and it attracts quality papers to the CORS Annual Conference.

Award: The Prize Committee will determine, at its discretion, First, Second and Honourable Mention awards and the distribution of up to \$1800 in prize money according to the extent to which the finalists have reported on a completed, practical application with results that had a significant, verifiable and (preferably) quantifiable impact on the performance of the client organization. Every member of the winning teams receives a certificate.

Eligibility: The applicant must be a resident of Canada. The submission must include work completed over the last two years, but the entire project may have taken place over a longer period. The project may include published work, but it cannot have been previously submitted to this competition.

Application Instructions:

By 8 March 2022 submit e-copies of the following to Antoine Legrain (antoine.legrain@polymtl.ca):

- 1. An abstract, not exceeding 500 words, outlining the successful application of OR
- 2. A letter from an executive of the client organization attesting that the application had an impact and giving permission for the project to be presented at the CORS Annual Conference
- 3. The names, titles, phone numbers and email addresses of all authors and of at least one executive of the client organization

By 29 March 2022 the judging committee will select up to four finalists according to these criteria:

- 1. The challenge of the application of OR and the significance of the problem
- 2. The quality of the analysis and modeling, and implementation of the results
- 3. The impact on the client organization

By 10 May 2022 the finalists must:

- Submit a detailed written report, not exceeding 25 pages in the body, presenting a "case history" of the project describing its development from start to finish and focussing on the challenges and results
- 2. Submit a one-page project summary including key messages and best practices, suitable for publication in the CORS Bulletin and on the CORS website
- 3. Present the project at the Practice Prize Sessions at the CORS Annual Conference

Based on the written report and the oral presentation, the judges will determine the prizes to be awarded and announced at the banquet. The committee reserves the right not to award any prize.



STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

Description:

Each year CORS conducts a student paper competition to recognize the contribution of a paper either directly to the field of operational research through the development of methodology or to another field through the application of operational research. The competition serves to showcase the high quality of OR education in Canada as well as the excellence of the new generation of operational researchers. Prizes are awarded in two categories: Undergraduate and Open. MBA students (and other specialized master students) are encouraged to participate in the competition in the open category with their applied projects.

Requirements:

The applicant must be enrolled as a full-time student in a Canadian institution, in an undergraduate, masters, or PhD program during the school year 2021–2022. Canadians who are studying outside of Canada are also eligible. Applicants in undergraduate programs are eligible to apply in both categories: Open and Undergraduate.

Instructions:

Open Category

Chair: Tamon Stephen (spc@cors.ca)

Application deadline: 5 April 2022

Undergraduate Category

Chair: Andre Cire (spc@cors.ca)

Deadline to indicate your intent to participate: 1 March 2022

Submit your intent to participate by sending an email with the title and abstract to spc@cors.ca

Deadline to submit your full paper: 5 April 2022

Fill out the online application form (https://cors.ca/?q=content/cors-student-paper-competition-concours-du-meilleur-article-par-un-étudiant-de-la-scro). The form is automatically submitted to the Chair of the competition.

All competitors should apply for CORS student funding by the deadline, in case they become a finalist (https://cors.ca/?q=content/student-funding-cors-conference-financement-des-étudiants-au-congrès-de-la-scro).



STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

The entry includes:

- 1. Abstract of 200 words or less. Author's name, address, phone number, and email address. Make sure the abstract clearly highlights the motivation, contribution, and potential impact of the paper.
- 2. Academic institution and supervisor's name, if applicable.
- 3. Indication of whether the team is planning to attend the CORS Annual Conference if selected as Finalists. Note that papers selected as Finalists must be presented at the conference in order to further be considered for First Prize or Honourable Mention.
- 4. A PDF copy of the paper:
- No longer than 35 pages (with minimum 1-inch margins, maximum 34 lines per page, and minimum font size of Times 11) including all figures, tables, appendices, and references.
- The submitted paper must not contain any information identifying the authors or their institutions.
- 5. An email from the supervisor indicating that the participant is the first author of the paper should be sent to the competition chair. Supervisors must agree to be on the refereeing committee for the competition, which requires evaluating three competition papers in April. If this is not possible, the supervisor should identify a suitable alternate committee member.

Selection Criteria:

- Contribution of the paper either directly to the field of operational research through the development of methodology or to another field through the application of operational research.
- Originality.
- Writing style, clarity, organization, and conciseness of the paper.

Awards:

- Prizes are awarded per paper. Cheques are sent to the first authors (unless otherwise specified), and allocation of prize money is up to the co-authors.
- Open Category: First Prize \$500, Honorable Mention \$100. One award per team.
- Undergraduate Category: First Prize \$200, Honorable Mention \$50. One award per team.
- All papers selected as Finalists receive a certificate.
- If an undergraduate student wins the open competition, no undergraduate prize will be awarded. Honourable mentions will be provided if there is no winner.



CORS SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

CORS Council approved a policy on Special Interest Groups (SIGs). A SIG provides a mechanism to promote CORS, the SIG area and the SIG members, as well as the opportunity for CORS members with common interests to interact and network.

Analytics SIG

Gregory Paradis, cors.analytics.sig@01101.io University of British Columbia www.cors.ca/SIG/Analytics

Forestry SIG

Foroogh Abasian, foroogh.abasian@fpinnovations.ca FPInnovations www.cors.ca/SIG/Forestry

Health Care Operational Research SIG

Nadia Lahrichi, nadia.lahrichi@polymtl.ca École Polytechnique de Montréal www.cors.ca/SIG/HCOR

Queueing Theory SIG

Opher Baron, Opher.Baron@rotman.utoronto.ca University of Toronto www.cors.ca/SIG/Queueing

If you would like to join a SIG, contact the people listed above, or indicate that you would like to join when you renew your CORS membership.

CORS encourages members with common interest in an area within or related to operational research to form additional SIGs.

More information about SIGs can be found online at www.cors.ca/?q=content/communities

If you are interested in forming a SIG in a particular area, contact:

Peter VanBerkel (vicepresident@cors.ca)



SIG NEWS

Forestry SIG

New President

Jean-François Audy and Mustapha Ouhimmou 2021 CORS FSIG Election Committee

Nominations: Foroogh Abasian and Azadeh Mobtaker

After the election, the new CORS FSIG President announced by the election committee is Foroogh Abasian (please find below her short presentation).

I am Foroogh Abasian, Data Modeling Scientist at FPInnovations. I have a Ph.D. in industrial engineering from Université Laval. I work in forest industry problems since 2014 from forest, to sawmills and panel and modular mills. In my PhD I have worked on designing forest supply chain to optimize the supply chain including sawmills, pulp and paper mill and new bioenergy plants. In FPInnovations as a decision-making scientist, I have developed a decision support system for many industrial partners. By the introduction of industry 4.0 to the forest industry, I have joined to smart manufacturing project as a scientist and project leader to bring operational excellence to different machine centers at sawmills and planer mills. These projects have been realized with the collaboration of five universities and more than 10 graduate students. Currently, as a data modeling scientist in a digitalization group, I am participating in anomaly detection projects on sawmills and kiln dryers to provide new revenue and value-producing opportunities.

My background and experiences have enriched me to build a solid understanding of the practical and academic challenges in the forest Industry which fit perfectly with the reason behind FSIG groups. I believe my strong network with industrial partners as well as academic members can help FSIG to grow and attract active members to the group.

Queueing Theory SIG

CanQueue 2021

The CanQueue 2021 conference took place in person at McGill campus, Montreal, on October 29–30 this year. The conference received a total of 20 abstract submissions and 30 registrations. Two speakers were invited to give a keynote talk, and the Dean of the host institution (Desautels Faculty of Management, McGill University) delivered opening remarks.



MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

CORS Business Meetings

16 June 2021	Council Meeting, Teleconference
17 Sep 2021	Council Meeting, Teleconference
19 Nov 2021	Council Meeting, Teleconference
21 Jan 2022	Council Meeting, Teleconference
18 March 2022	Council Meeting, Teleconference
TBA, 2022	Financial Planning Committee Meeting
TBA, 2022	Council Meeting (Conference)
TBA, 2022	Council Meeting (Conference with SIGs, Sections, Chapters)
TBA, 2022	CORS AGM (Conference)

CORS Annual Conferences

5-8 June 2022 CORS Annual Conference joint with INFORMS International, Vancouver, BC

http://meetings2.informs.org/wordpress/2022international

TBA, 2023 CORS Annual Conference joint with Optimization Days, Montreal, QC

WWW Conference Listings

CORS: www.cors.ca/?q=content/cors-annual-conferences INFORMS: https://www.informs.org/Meetings-Conferences

IFORS: www.ifors.org/web

Netlib Conference Database: ftp://ftp.cc.ac.cn/netlib/confdb/Conferences.html

SIAM: www.siam.org/meetings/calendar.php

POMS: https://pomsmeetings.org

EURO: www.euro-online.org/web/pages/460/calendar



THE NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of the Bulletin will be published in **February**. Contributions to this issue, especially news on the activities of local sections or CORS members, should be submitted by **21 January 2022** to:

Andrea Friars
Editor, CORS Bulletin
Email: AndreaFriars@gmail.com

The preferred method of submission is by an MS Word attachment to an email.

CORS BULLETIN TRANSLATION POLICY

Items that are CORS business will be translated into English and French. All other items will be published in the language they are submitted in.

CORS BULLETIN ADVERTISING POLICY

Ads cost \$120 per page, proportional for fractional pages. Logos and prepared layouts can be accommodated. This fee also includes distribution of the advertisement on the CORS Mailing List. Direct inquiries to the Editor.

CORS MAILING LIST

As a benefit of membership, members may use the CORS Mailing List to transmit messages, announcements, and job postings to the entire membership or to a targeted subgroup such as a local section. For example, you can send

- messages regarding the activities and business of the society
- announcements about conferences, conference sessions, special journal issues, seminars, or other activities if these are related to operational research in its broadest sense
- job postings of general interest to CORS members

The Mailing List is not used for commercial purposes, and all messages are vetted before they are sent out. To submit items to the Mailing List, please email members@cors.ca

For non-members, a fee of \$60 is charged for the distribution of job postings and other announcements or messages of interest to the CORS membership.



The **Canadian Operational Research Society** was founded in 1958. Its goal is to advance the theory and practice of OR and to stimulate and promote contacts between people interested in the subject.

Publications: A quarterly scientific journal called INFOR and a news Bulletin.

Meetings: An annual national conference with an award ceremony, occasionally organized jointly with an international society (IFORS, INFORMS), and numerous local events organized by local sections.

Local Sections & Chapters: CORS has twelve local sections located throughout Canada and four student chapters.

Awards and Prizes: CORS presents the following annual awards and prizes at its conference:

Award of Merit for significant contributions of a present or past member of CORS to the profession of OR.

Harold Larnder Award to an individual who has achieved international distinction in OR.

Omond Solandt Award to an organization, private or governmental, that is deemed to have made an outstanding contribution to OR in Canada.

Practice Prize for the challenging application of the OR approach to the solution of applied problems.

Eldon Gunn Service Award for outstanding contributions of time and service to the society.

Student Paper Competition to recognize the contribution of a paper either directly to the field of OR through the development of methodology or to another field through the application of OR.

Graduate Student Funding: CORS encourages attendance of graduate students at its conference by providing partial funding. Visit CORS website for details.

CORS Diploma: This diploma is awarded to students graduating from a university curriculum comprising several OR courses. Criteria may be found on the CORS website.

Membership Directory: An online directory of CORS members is available as a membership benefit.

To join CORS: Go to the CORS website and join online by credit card using the form found under membership or complete the PDF application form found on the CORS website and mail it with payment to the address below.

Fees: Member \$110; Retired Member \$55; Student Member \$45 (including post-doctoral fellows)

Website: www.cors.ca

INFOR: www.tandfonline.com/loi/tinf20

LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/company/canadian-operational-research-society

Twitter: @CORS_President