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EURO Summer Institute on “Optimization Challenges in Engineering: Methods, Software and Applications”

August 18 – September 2, 2006

The Developing Countries Committee of IFORS is pleased to announce its sponsorship of two participants to join the ESI 2006 to be held in Lutherstadt Wittenberg, Germany during August 18 – September 2, 2006

The **Euro Summer and Winter Institutes (ESWI)** are organized to encourage good social and working relationships among promising young OR scientists in Europe. In terms of an agreement between EURO and IFORS, however, IFORS will sponsor travel costs of two delegates to the ESI from other IFORS member societies, with particular emphasis on supporting delegates from developing countries (from which at least one of the two delegates should come). EURO will extend its usual sponsorship (to cover the costs of the scientific program, accommodation, meals, and social activities) to the two IFORS fellows.

The ESI and EWIs aim to encourage the establishment of a network of promising young researchers (with less than 10 years experience in OR) to encourage future collaborative work. Each ESWI seeks to involve 25 participants. The Institute features lectures by invited speakers, but for the most part, the participants themselves will present and discuss their papers. A special issue of *European Journal of Operational Research (EJOR)* will be prepared, based on the papers presented during the ESI. Just as important is the varied social program that is prepared for the participants.

**Theme of the 2006 Euro ESI**

The 2006 ESI is devoted to the theme of “Optimization Challenges in Engineering: Methods, Software and Applications”. Keynote speakers at the ESI include Erling Anderson (Mosek, Denmark), Hans-Georg Bock (Heidelberg, Germany), Andrew Conn (IBM Research, USA), Andreas Griewank (Berlin, Germany), Michal Kočvara (Prague, Czech Republic), Annick Sartenaer (Namur, Belgium), Tamás Terlaky (Hamilton, Canada), and Lieven Vandenberghe (UCLA, USA) and Andrea Walther (Dresden, Germany).

Further details may be found on the ESI website at:
http://wwwopt.mathematik.tu-darmstadt.de/events/esi2006/

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Applications for the IFORS Fellowships:

If you:

1. Have done work along the lines of the ESI as given in the theme;
2. Are not more than 35 years old; and
3. Can present your unpublished work and answer questions in English,
you may be the person we are looking for.

Please submit your curriculum vitae, your proposed paper (or at least a two-page abstract of this work) and a letter of recommendation from one referee (preferably your thesis advisor or head of department) by 31 May 2006 to:

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Adjudication of submissions will be done by the Chair of the IFORS Developing Countries Committee, with the assistance of the ESI organizing committee. The successful candidates will be required to submit full papers (if not done so initially) within two weeks of being notified of their success. It is hopes that the successful IFORS-ESI Fellows will be notified by June 15.