

ASOR News — July 2013

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Recent Advances, 17 July 2013

Recent Advances is being held early this year, to clear the way for the ASOR National Conference in Adelaide in December. If you have not heard of Recent Advances before, it is a one-day single-track conference held each year by ASOR Melbourne, showcasing research by our local members as well as ASOR members from interstate. Speakers nominate themselves by submitting an abstract, and the day is seamlessly run by our current treasurer, Paul Lochert.

The date for this year's Recent Advances conference is **17 July 2013**, and as is now customary we will be joining Melbourne, Newcastle and possibly SA and other sites by Access Grid.

If possible, please register by July 12 so that we can organise the right amount of catering (for those in Melbourne). See also the attached form.

Fleet Management Workshop

ASOR, DSTO and the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) will be jointly hosting a workshop on Defence Aviation Fleet Management in Melbourne on 20 August 2013. Fleet management covers the phases of the capability lifecycle from introduction into service through to retirement.

The workshop will involve a small selection of fleet managers from the RAAF, analysts and researchers from DSTO, and OR researchers and practitioners with interests and/or experience in Fleet Management. The focus for the day will be on Defence Aviation Fleet Management, but the ideas are potentially extensible across other domains, such as maritime and land.

The intended outcomes of the workshop are for the RAAF to better understand the potential of OR for Fleet Management, and for OR people to understand better the needs and opportunities in Defence Aviation Fleet Management.

Applications to attend and/or present the workshop will be sought during June (watch the ASOR mailing list). For more information, contact David Marlow or Simon Dunstall (refer to the committee contacts list).

ASOR Melbourne email List

If you need to update your details for our mailing list, melbourne-list@asor.org.au, visit the web page at http://asor.org.au/mailman/listinfo/melbourne-list_asor.org.au, where you can maintain your information, subscribe or unsubscribe.

ASOR Linked-In Group

Members who have accounts LinkedIn should visit <http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Australian-Society-Operations-Research-4473262>, which covers ASOR nationally.

Membership

Are you a lapsed member but still on the ASOR mailing list? Please do stay on the list, but also strongly consider renewing your ASOR membership. Newly-redesigned membership forms are online at <http://www.asor.org.au/melbourne/membership.html>.

Upcoming OR Seminars

ASOR Melbourne Series

In June there is no seminar, we have **Recent Advances on 17 July** instead.

AMSI/ANZIAM AGR National Seminars

For more information about these events, visit <http://www.amsi.org.au/index.php/research-a-higher-education-mainmenu/access-grid/national-seminar-series>.

EURO 2013, Rome



Over two thousand delegates attended the EURO 2013 conference that was held at Sapienza University in Rome, Italy, on 1-4 July. A popular destination for Australians in OR and Statistics, amongst those spotted in Rome were Martin Savelsbergh, Natashia Boland, John Hearne, Andrew Eberhard, Tarek ElGindy, Jerzy Filar, John Boland, Simon Dunstall, Gaurav Singh and Leonid Churilov.

With such a large number of delegates, it was of course a packed program, especially because the conference was scheduled to finish at noon on the fourth day.

It is an IFORS year in 2014, so there is no EURO conference. It was announced in Rome that EURO 2015 would be in Glasgow.

Support for Visiting Researchers

Have you got an interstate or international visitor? ASOR Melbourne has committed funds to assist with the costs of visits, in exchange for visitors giving a seminar for the members. Contact your favourite committee member to discuss the opportunities.

OR Position – New Zealand

The Department of Engineering Science at the University of Auckland has a position on offer for a Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Operations Research. The position involves undertaking research and researcher supervision. For informal enquiries, contact Head of Department, Associate Professor Rosalind Archer (r.archer@auckland.ac.nz). Details and applications for this position can be found at <https://www.opportunities.auckland.ac.nz>

Summary of OR workshops and conferences in Australia

Recent Advances. ASOR Melbourne's annual mini-conference, to be held on 17 July 2013, in RMIT Room 8.9.66 and other sites by Access Grid.

MODSIM 2013 / ASOR 2013. Adelaide Convention Centre, December 1-6, 2013. The Theme of the conference is Adapting to Change: the multiple roles of modelling. MODSIM 2013 incorporates DORS and the 2013 ASOR National Conference. <http://mssanz.org.au/modsim2013>

The **4th Freight Logistics Optimisation Workshop (FLOW)**, on 9 December 2013, is a one-day course introducing optimisation to logistics practitioners in industry. Holiday Inn, Flinders Lane, City. FLOW is a joint initiative of CSIRO, ASOR and the Logistics Association of Australia.

Web Pages of Interest

We are affiliated with FASTS through AMSC. To keep abreast of FASTS activities, consult: www.usyd.edu.au/fasts

ASOR National: www.asor.org.au

ASOR Melbourne Chapter:
<http://www.melbourne.asor.org.au/>

NZ OR Society <http://www.orsnz.org.nz/>

ORS (UK): <http://www.orsoc.org.uk/>

INFORMS (US): <http://www.informs.org/>

IFORS: <http://www.ifors.org>

Optimisation in Melbourne:
<http://www.or.ms.unimelb.edu.au/>

For the latest international news, conference
and jobs details see: [http://www.ifors.org/
panorama/index.html](http://www.ifors.org/panorama/index.html)

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Recent Advances

in Operations Research

The Australian Society for Operations Research Inc (Melbourne Chapter) presents the **RECENT ADVANCES in OPERATIONS RESEARCH – ONE DAY CONFERENCE** on Wednesday 17 July 2013 at RMIT, Newcastle and Adelaide via Access Grid

Recent advances is a one day forum designed to give ASOR members the opportunity to exchange ideas and promote growth and activity in the OR community. Recent interesting and/or novel applied work along with research activities are sought for this day. As in recent years we will utilize the Access Grid Rooms in a number of locations – we will definitely have presentations at RMIT and Newcastle

The best student paper will be awarded the annual student prize, comprising a cash prize and a certificate from ASOR.

Abstracts

Abstracts of between 150 and 300 words should be submitted to the local representatives in Melbourne, Newcastle or Adelaide.

- **Melbourne:** Paul Lochert (plochert@bigpond.net.au)
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- **Adelaide:** Nigel Bean (nigel.bean@adelaide.edu.au)
or Kevin White (Kevin.white@unisa.edu.au)

All abstracts submitted before 15 July 2012 will be printed for distribution at the conference.

Venue and Time

For Melbourne — Wednesday 17 July 2012, registration 8:45 to 9:00.

Conference 9am to 5pm, at RMIT – City Campus, 360 Swanston St, Building 8 Level 9, Room 66. This is the Access Grid Room. The conference will link with members outside Melbourne via Access Grid.

Local arrangements apply for other locations: please contact your site representative for information.

Cost

For those attending at RMIT, an attendance fee is applied to cover the cost of lunch, morning and afternoon tea, plus the printing of abstracts and other administrative costs.

- **Members** \$50
- **Retired members** \$25
- **Student members** FREE
- **Non-members** \$55

Registration for Melbourne

For catering it is essential that you complete your registration by 12 July 2013

NAME: _____

Preferred first name: _____

TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Email: _____

Vegetarian lunch: yes no

Payment

NOTE: For security, you may prefer to bring the following on the day of the event.

Registration	Member	\$50	Non-member	\$55
	Retiree	\$25	Student	FREE

Find enclosed a cheque for \$_____ payable to **ASOR Inc**

or charge to MASTERCARD VISA

Card Number:

Expiry date: /

Name on card: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please forward the above registration information to Paul Lochert (plochert@bigpond.net.au)

