



The 18th International Symposium on Operations Research in Slovenia - SOR'25

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Call for Papers for Special Session

DOCTORAL CONSORTIUM

at the 18th International Symposium on Operations Research in Slovenia (SOR '25)
which will be held in Bled, Slovenia, September 22 – 24, 2025.

Organized and chaired by: Prof. Dr. Mirjana Kljajić Borštnar

The Doctoral Consortium at the Symposium of the Operational Research Society in Slovenia offers an excellent opportunity for doctoral students—particularly those in the early stages of their research—to present and discuss their research ideas with a panel of experienced scholars and fellow students. The goal is to provide constructive feedback, foster academic dialogue, and support doctoral candidates in refining their research direction and methodology.

If you are a doctoral student in the broad field of Operational Research (OR)—including areas such as: OR methods and techniques and their applications, Information and computing aspects of OR (Artificial Intelligence, Decision Support Systems, Expert Systems, Information Systems, OR software, Data Analysis, High-Performance Computing, etc.) — you are warmly invited to submit your work for presentation at the consortium.

Priority will be given to candidates whose doctoral research is still in the early stages and whose research proposals are under development.

Submission Guidelines

Doctoral research papers should be up to 5 pages in length and submitted via the conference submission system. Your proposal should include the following sections:

1. **Introduction – Research Problem and Significance** (clearly define the research problem and explain its relevance within the field of Operational Research)
2. **Preliminary Literature Review and Theoretical Framework** (provide a brief overview of related work, highlight existing research gaps, and discuss potential theoretical foundations for your study)
3. **Methodology** (outline your proposed research design, including potential data collection and analysis methods)
4. **Expected Outcomes or Preliminary Results** (discuss potential findings and the significance of each possible outcome)
5. **Contribution to Knowledge** (explain how your research can advance knowledge in the field of OR or its related areas)



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We encourage doctoral supervisors to join the session and contribute to the discussion by offering feedback to presenters. Their involvement enhances the experience for all participants and fosters a collaborative academic environment.

DEADLINES:

- Submission of contributed papers: June 1, 2025
- Referee's reports: July 1, 2025
- Submission of revised papers and copies of bank transfer: August 25, 2025

Note: When submitting the paper, please, select "Special Session - Doctoral Consortium".