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***On the “Life” in the German Operations Research Society
GOR – a Partner of ORST***

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At April 11, a first report on the agreement about collaboration between the two national OR Societies: *ORST* (of Turkey) and *GOR* (Germany) was sent by me and, a bit later, announced by the friends from ORST. For this reason and at this occasion, today my special thanks are going to *Prof. Dr. Taner Bilgiç*, for his interest and support of this bilateral agreement, and for sending out to you these reports and further announcements as well.

In the last report, I gave my gratitude to the Presidents of both societies: *Prof. Dr. Thomas St. Spengler* (GOR) and *Prof. Dr. Refik Güllü* (ORST). In the meantime, they had further contact to each other: Professor Güllü became invited to prepare a short introduction of ORST; this will appear in the forthcoming issue of *OR-News*, the bulletin of GOR which appears 3-4 times in a year. By this report and, as I expect, helpful and warm words from Professor Spengler also, the German colleagues will learn more about ORST, about OR in Turkey and the new partnership.

Before I will come to the main information which I would like to deliver by this second report, let me please remind you of - and invite you to.

OR 2007 - International Annual Scientific Conference of the German Operations Research Society (GOR), with a special topic (tutorial) “Operations Research in the Service Industry”, September 5-7, 2007, Saarland University, Saarbrücken;
<http://www.or2007.de/>.

Personally, I would have loved to join the *YA/ EM '07 - 27th Annual Congress of ORST*, which is going to take place in Izmir, at July 2-4, 2007, as being kindly invited by *Prof. Dr. Haldun Süral*. However, at those days I have to be in Prague for a first sallite events of EURO XXII 2007 and its preparation: *Joint EUROPT-OMS Conference*. At my place, one of our PhD students of Institute of Applied Mathematics, METU, and, at the same time, working for a TÜBITAK project with friends from OR (Department of Industrial Engineering) at METU, will participate at the annual congress of ORST: *MSc. Başak Akteke Öztürk*.

For the conference in Izmir, I wish all the best, a pleasant, fruitful, just an unforgettable time!

Now, I would like to come to the

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The knowledge about these groups and contacts may serve for a further filling the new ORST-GOR partnership with life, to stimulate scientific collaboration, friendship, to initiate and foster a perspective for our youth. For future reports, I am planning to gain coordinators of GOR Working Groups for a short introduction of their group's life and activities. In the next report, GOR President *Prof. Dr. Thomas St. Spengler* will give a friendly address to you and us.

Finally, you may wonder about the logos listed below. On the right-hand side, there are the logos on Institute of Applied Mathematics and METU. In front, there are the ones of *three EURO Working Groups*. Since all of them have a special Turkish "history" and contribution to their foundation of maintainance, and since they support ORST-GOR partnership, I included them.

In future reports, leading representatives of those groups and I will introduce them closer. These groups are: *EURO Working Group on Continuous Optimization* (EUROPT; <http://www.iam.metu.edu.tr/EUROPT/>), *EURO Working Group "OR in Computational Biology, Bioinformatics and Medicine"* (EURO WG CBBM; <http://euro-cbb.ku.edu.tr/>) and *EURO Working Group "OR for Development"* (EURO WG ORD; <http://www2.ing.puc.cl/~fcrespo/eurofdv/>). Each of these groups offers an own satellite event at the occasion of EURO XXII 2007 (please visit the corresponding links under http://euro2007.vse.cz/?action=satellite_events); you are cordially welcome to there and to membership, too! By the way, in the afternoon of June 8, there will be a small "*Workshop on Sustainable Living at Turkish Rural Countryside*", supported by EURO WG ORD in IAM of METU. If you are around, please join us!

If I could do anything for you and your friends or, more importantly, GOR could do, please do not hesitate to contact me!

For today I remain,
with my best wishes,
heartfelt regards,
yours sincerely,

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