

Guest Editorial Preface

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This IJDSST Special Issue on “Business Data Analytics and Management” includes selected papers from the EURO Working Group on Decision Support Systems’ 1st International Conference on Decision Support System Technology (ICDSST) in Belgrade (Serbia), May 27th-29th, 2015, as well as selected papers from the DSS Stream from the 27th European Conference on Operational Research (EURO) in Glasgow (UK), July 12th – 15th, 2015.

The goal of this Special Issue is to present recent advances in Business Data Analytics and Management in the context of the Big Data Era. We are proud to have selected a well-balanced collection of high-quality research and application-oriented papers, devoted to recent advances in the special issue topic.

The 4 papers included in this volume tackle several important issues in Business Data Analytics and Management from different perspectives. The first paper by Fatima Zohra Benkaddour, Noria Taghezout, and Bouabdallah Ascar presents a real-life application of enterprise knowledge capitalization. The second paper by Imene Benatia, Ridda Laouar, Hakim Bendjenna, and Sean Eom proposes an infrastructure and deployment process of a cloud-based decision support system. The third paper by Isabel C. Lisboa, Joana Vieira, Sandra Mouta, Sara Machado, Nuno Ribeiro, Estêvão Silva, Rita A. Ribeiro, and Alfredo F. Pereira, proposes a multicriteria decision-making model for innovative in-vehicle information system selection. The fourth paper by Milan Dobrota, Boris Delibašić, and Pavlos Delias, proposes a model for injury risk assessment based on skiing traces.

We are delighted to have included in this IJDSST Special Issue a set of high quality and interesting pieces of research, authored by researchers and professionals coming from different research institutions across different continents. We are grateful to all reviewers, and authors, for the collaboration and work they have put into this special issue. We hope that you will also enjoy reading it and that the presented results can be useful for your further research projects.

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