

Dear colleagues,

Four months ago we were all saddened by the news of the death of professor Gregory Kersten. Gregory was an outstanding and accomplished researcher, working in a field of group decision and negotiation (GDN), professor at Concordia University in Montreal, president of the Informs Section on GDN, and editor in chief of the GDN journal. His research, broad in scope and including theoretical models for group decision and negotiation support, electronic negotiation systems, and behavioral issues of electronic negotiation, was inspiring for many researchers of his own and younger generations.

As a group of researchers representing the Polish community of scientists and academicians whose careers were linked to and shaped by Gregory and his achievements, we have decided to prepare a special issue of the Control and Cybernetics (C&C) journal devoted to Gregory Kersten. C&C (<http://control.ibspan.waw.pl:3000/mainpage>) is a quarterly journal published in English by the Systems Research Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences and is being indexed by many services and databases, including Scopus. Gregory Kersten has been an editorial board member of C&C for many years.

For our special issue, we look for the contributions that refer to or were inspired by Gregory's research. The exemplary topics include models and algorithms for group decision and negotiation, decision support, negotiation support systems and electronic negotiation systems, empirical findings in the use of formal models for supporting real-life group decision and negotiation problems, negotiation experiments and field studies, cross-culture and behavioral issues in negotiation and decision making. However, we are open to any other proposals that address Gregory's work and legacy.

We kindly invite you to contribute to our special issue. We would highly appreciate it if you could acknowledge your interest in submitting a paper by **October 15th**, sending us a tentative title and abstract. The deadline for sending the manuscripts is the **end of December 2020**. We hope we would be able to produce our SI as the first or second issue of C&C in 2021.

There are no formal requirements for the style and length of the submissions. The papers will be formatted according to the publisher's requirements after their final acceptance. The submissions of proposals (abstracts) and papers should be sent directly to the email of one of the SI guest editors.

For further questions please feel free to contact us by email.

With kindest regards

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