



The opening Session
FOREWORDS

The 7th edition of the International Conference on Operations Research was developed in March at Ciudad de La Habana co-organized by Universidad de La Habana (Cuba), Humboldt Universität zu Berlin (Germany) and Université Paris I Sorbonne (France). 178 participants from Cuba, Canada, USA, Latin America, Europe Africa and China attended it. France, Germany, and Spain were the largely represented. The number of contributed papers was 112 and main talks were delivered by Felipe Cucker (China), Marie Cottrell (France), Rudiger Schultz (Germany), Andreas Griewanck (Germany) and Bernard Cornet (UA-France). The talks were of high quality and actuality. The classical Round Table on Applications to Economy was attended by mathematicians, economists and managers from Cuba and Spain mainly.

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The Opening Session took place at the Aula Magna of Universidad de La Habana and was presided by the doctors Fidel Castro Diaz-Balart advisor of the Consejo de Estado . A mini concert was delivered, Some changes of this edition was that the celebration of the Welcome Party took place in the luxurious Salon de los Espejos of the ancient Palacio Presidencial and the sessions were developed at Palacio de la Ciencias , ancient Capitolio, see photos.

As traditional after a refereeing process a set of representative papers presented in the conference is going to be published in the journal Investigación Operacional. They will appear in the issues 1 and 2 of the present volume. The authors should be congratulated on their fine contributions and the referees for their kind and qualified cooperation.



Conference photo

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