Eighth International Workshop on Simulation Vienna, September 21-25, 2015
First announcement

The 8-th International Workshop on Simulation will be held in Vienna in September 21-25 2015 in memory of Luidmila Kopylova -- Melas, the wife of Viatcheslav Melas. She passed away in September 21, 2013 and was a shadow secretary of the whole series of our simulation workshops. The conference will be organized by Institute of Applied Statistics and Computation of the University of Life Sciences Vienna in collaboration with the Department of Statistics of the Alpen-Adria University Klagenfurt, the Department of Statistical Modelling of Saint Petersburg State University and INFORMS Simulation Society (USA).

This international conference is devoted to statistical techniques in stochastic simulation, data collection and analysis of scientific experiments and studies representing broad areas of interest. The 1st- 6th Workshops took place in St. Petersburg (Russia) in 1994, 1996, 1998, 2001, 2005 and 2009. The Seventh International Workshop on Simulation took place in Rimini (Italy) in 2013.

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Workshop Topics:

Methodology/algorithms for stochastic simulation
Monte Carlo and quasi Monte Carlo methods
Experimental design, Spatial statistics
Stochastic modelling in economics and finance
Stochastic modelling in physics, chemistry and medicine
Environmental Statistics, Extremes of random processes
Nonparametric inference
Queues and other discrete-event systems

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Keynote speakers: Aleksander Bulinsky (Russia) and Ingram Olkin (USA).

Abstracts of papers can be submitted via the conference website http://iws.boku.ac.at/index.php until March 30, 2015. Session organizers are requested to arrange 3-4 talks (about 15-20 min + 5 min discussion) in their sessions while collecting titles and abstracts from the contributors to Dieter Rasch via d_rasch@t-online.de by Ferbuary 28, 2015. Suggestions for organizing sessions should be sent to Viatcheslav Melas by the address viatcheslav.melas@gmx.de until **January 31, 2015.** The financial and other details will appear at the conference website.