# E The European Conference on Combinatorial Optimization - ECCO XVII

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# Aims and Scope

ECCO XVII aims at bringing together researchers in several fields (artificial intelligence, computer science, information technology, management science, mathematical programming, and operations research) to present and discuss more recent advances in the theory and applications to strategic, operational, and tactical problems in business, industry and public administration. Recent ECCO sessions have attracted a wide array of novel methodologies, clever implementations, and easy-to-use real-time decision support systems. Topics include, but are not limited to, metaheuristics & their hybrids; recent developments in classical optimization problems; operations management; computer and network design; e-commerce, knowledge management, data warehousing/mining; and supply chain management. We are particularly interested in methodologies that integrate aspects of the above fields for solving real-life problems.



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#### Conference Publications

As in the previous ECCO conferences, it is planned to publish post conference volumes of selected papers in an international journal(s). All selected papers will be refereed according to the standard reviewing process of the respective journal(s).



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## Important Dates

- · 28 February, 2004: Deadline for Abstract Submission.
- 15 April, 2004: Deadline for early registration.
- 24 26 June, 2004: ECCO XVII Conference.

## **Invited Speakers**

- · Yves Crama, University of Liege, Belgium.
- Mikhail Kovalyov, Belarus State University, Minsk.

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