Minutes of the 2022 MSOM Business Meeting at MSOM 2022

Time: 12:15pm-1:45pm CST Monday, June 27th, 2022.

Location: Munich, Germany.

1. **President Feryal Erhun** welcomed the participants and started the meeting by introducing the agenda and the set-up for the meeting.

2. **Secretary/Treasurer Tim Kraft** gave an update on membership, finances, and the bylaws.
   a. Membership has increased since the dip that occurred during the pandemic. But we must continue to work to increase numbers (we are still short of our pre-pandemic numbers).
   b. Our student population remains low compared to pre-pandemic numbers. Please continue to help and support your students to join.
   c. Regular members please check your membership – multiple times this past year we discovered established leaders in the society were not members. This can make it difficult to form the necessary committees for awards, initiatives, etc.
   d. Finances were approximately breakeven this past year. Pre-pandemic we often had a positive gain. Awards cost has gone up with the increase in number of awards. Also, we need to continue to increase membership (and increase due revenues).
   e. The bylaws and awards updates have been made. The service award honorarium has been increased from $400 to $1000. A $2000 honorarium for Fellows passed, however the vote was close and after consulting all previous Fellows, the board decided not to add the honorarium.

3. **VP of Membership Owen Wu** thanked the 2022 MSOM Summer Conference Organizers
   a. Co-chairs: Alexander Hubner and Stefan Minner
   b. SIG Day Chairs
      i. Healthcare OM: Jonas Jónasson, Pengyi Shi
      ii. Service Management: Jing Dong, Rouba Ibrahim
      iii. Supply Chain Management: Rachel Chen, Luyi Gui
      iv. iFORM: Gerry Tsoukalas, Yuqian (Lillian) Xu
      v. Sustainable Operations: Can Zhang, Helen Yangfang Zhou
   c. SIG Day (anonymous) Reviewers
4. **VP of Membership Owen Wu** thanked the 2022 INFORMS Fall Conference Organizers
   a. MSOM cluster Co-Chairs: Fei Gao (Indiana) and Basak Kalkanci (Georgia Tech)
   b. MSOM SIG Chairs:
      i. Healthcare Operations: Bob Batt, Serhan Zia
      ii. Service Management: Daniela Saban, Liu Yang
      iii. Supply chain management: Amy Pan, Haoying Sun
      iv. iFORM: Jie Ning, Fasheng, Xu
      v. Sustainable Operations: Natalie Huang, Michael Lim

5. **2023 MSOM Conference Co-chair, Sentao Miao** introduced the 2023 MSOM conference.
   a. Location: McGill University, Montreal, Canada
   c. Co-chairs: Javad Nasiry, Daniel Ding, Rim Hariss, Sentao Miao, Sanjith Gopalakrishnan

6. **2023 MSOM Conference Chair Saif Benjaafar** introduced the 2024 MSOM conference.
   a. Location: University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
   c. Conference Executive Committee: Saif Benjaafar (chair), Bill Cooper (co-chair), Kris Iyer (co-chair), Nick Arnosti, Tony Cui, Karen Donohue, Sherwin Doroudi, Ankur Mani

7. An update was provided on the MSOM Society New Initiatives
   a. **Atalay Atasu** gave an update on the footprint of OM & OR conferences initiative
      i. Details of the initiative will be published
      ii. A session on the initiative will take place right after the MSOM business meeting
   b. **President-elect Burak Kazaz** provided an update on the Fast-tracking Accepted SIG Conference Papers to M&SOM Journal
      i. The SIGs received 258 submissions, 104 were marked for fast track
ii. 9 papers were passed to M&SOM DE and AEs for potential fast track, with 7 being put into the fast-track process

iii. Lessons learned from the fast-track process

1. We need to be more careful about the selection of reviewers (e.g., willingness to continue, expertise, CoI, etc.)

2. Although the reviews we received are much improved, can we make them even better?

3. How can we make the transition from the SIG chairs to the journal smoother?

c. President-elect Burak Kazaz gave an update on the Africa Initiative

i. MSOM has no members from African countries; there have been no publications by authors from African countries in MS, M&SOM, or OR since 2010

ii. The goal of the Africa Initiative is to stimulate collaborative research that would enrich the OM professional community in research and teaching, as well as in diversity and inclusivity

iii. There is an African related session in the MSOM conference

iv. There is an MSOM session in the 2022 CARISCA Summit – thank you Jonas Jónasson for your work on this!

v. We are working with AFROS to establish an MSOM track.

vi. We will begin a MSOM seminar series to disseminate OM and SCM skills targeted for universities in Africa

d. President Feryal Erhun introduced the new best AE awards for MS, M&SOM, and OR

i. The new awards were approved, with only 1 member abstaining

e. President Feryal Erhun noted the Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) Committee’s session during the MSOM conference

i. Topic: How can we recruit and retain a diverse population and specifically minorities in academia?
8. **President Feryal Erhun** announced the 2022 MSOM Distinguished Fellow
   a. Committee: Linda Green, Atalay Atasu, Feryal Erhun (Chair), Georgia Perakis, Brian Tomlin
   b. Winner: Panos Kouvelis (Washington University)

9. **President-Elect Burak Kazaz** announced the 2022 MSOM Distinguished Service Award
   a. Committee: Feryal Erhun, Burak Kazaz (Chair), Atalay Atasu
   b. Winner: Kamalini Ramdas (LBS)

10. **President-Elect Burak Kazaz** announced the 2022 Young Scholar Award
    a. Committee: Wedad Elmaghraby, Ozlem Ergun, Burak Kazaz (chair), Tava Olsen, Soroush Saghaian, Scott Webster
    b. Co-winners: Maxime Cohen (McGill), Jun Li (Michigan)

11. **President-Elect Burak Kazaz** announced the 2022 MSOM Responsible Research Award
    a. Committee: Ravi Anupindi, Ling Dong, Burak Kazaz (chair), Pengyi Shi, Masha Shunko
    d. Honorable mentions
    e. Finalists


12. President Feryal Erhun announced the 2022 M& SOM Journal Best Paper Award

a. Finalists


ii. Ettl, Harsha, Papush, Perakis, A Data-Driven Approach to Personalized Bundle Pricing and Recommendation 10.1287/msom.2018.0756

iii. de Zegher, Iancu, Lee, Designing Contracts and Sourcing Channels to Create Shared Value 10.1287/msom.2017.0627


b. Winner: Cho, Fang, Tayur, Xu, Combating Child Labor: Incentives and Information Disclosure in Global Supply Chains

13. President Feryal Erhun announced the 2022 MS Best paper in OM Award

a. Finalists

i. Alizamir, Iravani, Mamani, An Analysis of Price vs. Revenue Protection: Government Subsidies in the Agriculture Industry

ii. Benjaafar, Kong, Li, Courcoubetis, Peer-to-Peer Product Sharing: Implications for Ownership, Usage, and Social Welfare in the Sharing Economy

iii. Cui, Zhang, Bassamboo, Learning from Inventory Availability Information: Evidence from Field Experiments on Amazon

iv. Bimpikis, Ehsani, İlkılıç, Cournot Competition in Networked Markets

b. Winner: Benjaafar, Kong, Li, Courcoubetis, Peer-to-Peer Product Sharing: Implications for Ownership, Usage, and Social Welfare in the Sharing Economy

   a. Fast-tracking department led by Dan Adelman; potentially also establishing a similar fast-tracking process as the SIGs did this year
   b. This has also already been going on with the forward-to-journal for conferences (EC)
   c. Survey papers - Tava Olsen leading effort
   d. Area editor changes in 2022: Devavrat Shah (MLDS); Neil Walton/Raman Randhawa (SM)
   e. Reproducibility: Online supplements for code/data
   f. Special issues: Reinforcement learning
   g. Enhancements: XML, video supplements for papers
   h. Review of 2021 submissions and turnaround time
      i. Trends: Time to review decreasing, impact factor increasing, usage went up 1/3 which is good.
      ii. Article influence and centrality are also both very high (and better measures than impact factor)

15. **Editor-in-Chief David Simchi-Levi** gave an update on Management Science
   a. Review of 2021 submissions and turnaround time
      i. Total submissions were ~4300 last year, significantly increased from last year. Overall acceptance rate remains stable at 10-11% (stable); fast track 8% acceptance rate.
      ii. Review time was approximately 80 days for first reviews. The median time to final decisions was less than 100 days.
      iii. There MS papers cited in the US Economic Report; also, MS citations in SC resiliency report.
      iv. 654 papers submitted to OM-related departments.
   b. MS Best AE Award was given to Prof. Xuanming Su from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.
   c. Updated on the Data Replication project.
i. 90% of papers come with data to MS.

ii. 10 Behavioral OM papers were chosen to replicate. Faculty from 5 univs have helped to conduct the studies. The results should be published soon.


16. Editor-in-Chief Georgia Perakis, gave an update on the M& SOM Journal

a. Review of 2021 submissions and turnaround time
   
i. Original submissions were 609 in 2021. For 2022, 249 through June.

    ii. Average time to first decision for externally reviewed papers submitted on or after January 1, 2021: 91 days. Median time to first decision for externally reviewed papers submitted on or after January 1, 2021: 89 days

    iii. Average time to final decision for externally reviewed papers submitted on or after January 1, 2021: 161 days. Median time to final decision for externally reviewed papers submitted on or after January 1, 2021: 126 days

    iv. There is now a LinkedIn page for the journal. Please join!

b. M& SOM Practice Platform
   
i. First seminar (May ’22) is available on M& SOM page and YouTube. “Pooled Purchasing for Vaccines, Medicines and Other Health Technologies: Issues and Opportunities for Research” by Brenda Wanning (Stop TB Global Drug Facility), Aurelia Nguyen (COVAX) and Prashant Yadav (INSEAD).

   ii. New seminars this fall:

      a. Wizsoft / H-ERP (Assaf Avrahami: “Data-Driven Research Opportunities in Operations Management”)

      b. Walmart (Prakhar Mehrotra: “Retail operations revisited in a post-pandemic world”)

   c. New practice-based research challenge for 2022-2023
      
i. Co-chairs: J. Gallien and T. Ayer

      ii. Deadline: Sept. 12, 2022

d. 2022 MSOM Data Driven Research Challenge
   
i. Chair: Gad Allon

      ii. Deadline: Sept. 1, 2022
e. SIG Fast-tracking Pilot
   i. Thank you for your patience!
   ii. Huge thank you to Burak, Feryal, the SIG day and SIG chairs, the DEs, and all the anonymous reviewers!

f. COVID-19 Virtual Special Issue at the M& SOM Journal
   i. 44 submissions and 9 acceptances already; 8 out for revision

g. Frontiers in Operations
   i. Pilot a new way for reviewing paper that is more holistic
   ii. Pilot period: Nov. 1, 2022 – Jan 15, 2023
   iii. Look for more details in the coming months

h. Special Issues
   i. Sharing Economy and Innovative Marketplaces
      Editors: Saif Benjaafar and Ming Hu, published in May/June 2021 issue
   ii. People-Centric Operations
      Editors: Guillaume Roels and Brad Staats, published in July/August 2021 issues
   iii. Practice-Based Research Competition
      Editor: Jérémie Gallien
   iv. Responsible Research in Operations Management
      Editors: Serguei Netessine, Chris Tang, and Michael Toffel
   v. Interface of Operations, Finance and Technology (OpsFinTech)
      Editors: Dan Iancu and S. Alex Yang
   vi. Smart City Operations
      Editors: Sameer Hasija and Chung Piaw Teo
   i. Big thank you to all the Department Editors, Associate Editors, and Reviewers!
   j. And a huge thanks to Beatrice Allen – Managing Editor of the M& SOM Journal!

17. President Feryal Erhun thanked the 2021-2022 MSOM Officers
   a. President: Feryal Erhun (Cambridge).
   b. President Elect: Burak Kazaz (Syracuse).
c. VP Meetings: Owen Wu (Indiana).
d. Secretary/Treasurer: Tim Kraft (NC State).
e. Webmaster: Hyun Seok Lee (Korea University)
f. INFORMS Subdivision Liaison: Tolga Aydinliyim (Baruch College).
g. MSOM SIG Chairs:
   i. Service Management: Manpreet Hora (Georgia Tech)
   ii. Supply chain management: Gah-Yi Ban (LBS).
   iii. iFORM: Onur Boyabatlı (Singapore Management University)
   v. Sustainable Operations: Gökçe Esenduran (Purdue University).

18. President Feryal Erhun introduced the 2022-2023 MSOM Officers
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Respectfully Submitted,

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