

Factor	Korea	Turkey
Date Location	1 st Option: June 21(Sun.) – June 26(Fri.), 2020 2 nd Option: May 31(Sun.) – June 5(Fri.), 2020 Seoul, Korea	JULY 5-10 2020 Istanbul, Turkey
Local Support	Support from the Korean government and related institutes: • Korea Tourism Organization & Seoul Tourism Organization's Support: Special souvenirs for international meetings participants, cultural programs, Korean traditional performance during gala dinner, and others • Seoul Welcome Kit: Traveler's Guide, a set of Seoul postcards, a coupon book with various discounts at hotels and spas, museums, malls, performances, and restaurants throughout the city • Related institutes and industries' support: Advertising, gifts, and others	The Operational Research Society of Turkey (ORST) and Boğaziçi University fully support the organization of this conference. Boğaziçi University was established in 1863 as Robert College and became a public research university in 1971. The Department of Industrial Engineering was established in 1973 and is one of the most sought after engineering programs in the country and in the region. Boğaziçi University's IE Department (http://www.ie.boun.edu.tr/) organized the 2003 Joint EURO/INFORMS Conference in Istanbul. It is enthusiastically looking forward to hosting the global OR community in Istanbul in 2020.
Strength of OR in the country	KORMS was established in 1976 and the Society comprises 3,600 individual members, 29 special members, 12 group members, and 145 library members in 2015. The Korean Academic Society of Business Administration, Korean Institute of Industrial Engineers, Korean Society of Management Information Systems and other related societies are actively collaborated with KORMS. In particular, more than 1,000 domestic participants made presentations during the KORMS 2015 joint conference.	Participants will benefit from a conference held in Istanbul, interacting with an active OR Community in a growing economy ORST was established in 1975, and the OR community in Turkey and the region has been growing since then. The worldwide OR community with first degrees from Turkish Universities. ORST is very active and growing as well. ORST regularly organizes its annual national congress, which attracts about 700 participants. Furthermore, the OR/IE community in Turkey and abroad regularly attend EURO, INFORMS and IFORS conferences in growing numbers.
Local Organizing Committee	KORMS President, KORMS President-Elect, KORMS Ex-Presidents, KORMS Vice President-Chapters, KORMS Vice President-Research Activities, KORMS Vice President-Publications, KORMS Vice President-International Activities, KORMS Vice President-Education and Presidents of other major societies.	BOĞAZIÇI IE FACULTY MEMBERS ON THE LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE: Kuban Altinel*, Necati Aras, Gülay Barbarosoğlu*, Yaman Barlas*, Mustafa Baydoğan, Ümit Bilge*, Taner Bilgiç*, Refik Güllü, Ali Rıza Kaylan*, Gürkan Kumbaroğlu, İlhan Or*, Mahmut Ekşioğlu, Wolfgang Hormann*, Caner Taşkın, Ali Tamer Ünal*, Tınaz Ekim Aşıcı, Aybek Korugan, Hakan Yaşarcan, Gönenç Yücel* *Members of the 2003 Joint EURO/INFORMS Conference

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Venue & Accommodation	Coex Convention & Exhibition Center, Seoul, Korea Coex is a huge, four-story building complex, not individually separated buildings. If you have multiple presentations and need to go different presentation rooms, you may take an elevator in each in a complex. We can have backup space reserved in case that the number of participants exceeds 3,000. We can also have sufficient rooms for 54 parallel sessions without a hitch. Coex also has big shopping mall (the largest underground shopping mall in Asia), duty-free store, department store, restaurants, aquarium, cinema, hotels, casino, and lots of entertainment places in one roof. • Accommodations Seoul is well equipped with excellent hotels of various standards and styles, with a wide range of room rates and superb services. In addition to the list below, there are more than 150 hotels with approximately 25,000 rooms available in Seoul at present, and it will continue to increase to 210 hotels with 38,000 rooms by 2015. Thanks to the city's efficient transportation system, participants can reach the venue with ease from many parts of the city.	Hilton Bomonti Conference Center, a recently built hotel and congress center with top-class facilities located in the heart of the city. The location of the conference center is also conveniently close to the hotel district of the city, which has a wealth of options for accommodation.
Accessibility & Transportation	Seoul is a fascinating convention city with easy access from all over the world. 1,400 direct flights are scheduled every week from major cities in every continent to Seoul. About 94 airlines, including active players in the world's three major alliances, are operating in Incheon, resulting in high interlining opportunities for newly inaugurating airlines. • Convenient Transportation: Travelers have easy access to Coex of their hotels around the venue via Incheon International Airport, with the option of a non-stop airport limousine bus or taxi around one hour, or the AREX high-speed rail service. Coex also has its own city airport terminal with convenient check-in service to prevent long delays at the airport	Istanbul is easily and affordably accessible from all over the world. Turkish Airlines has direct flights to Istanbul from over 80 international cities, and many other carriers have over 200 direct flights from various cities all over the world. Istanbul Ataturk Airport's International Terminal is the world's gateway to Turkey. The terminal accommodates 20 million passengers annually.
Wow Factor	Superb ICT Infra: Based on Korea's superb ICT infra, it will be the smartest place for IFORS 2020.	We believe it is timely to have an IFORS conference in Istanbul: a city that is located at the

	• Win-Win Partnership: IFORS 2020 will be an invaluable opportunity to make a difference in the region. It will be a pivotal time to influence when the grounds are laid for an entirely new market. • Promotion Plan for the Developing Countries: Invitations to IFORS 2020 will be sent to management scientists in developing countries, which will contribute to expediting their development (expansion of IFORS membership and audience to Asian countries). • K-Culture and Hospitality: Korea tradition is rooted in more than 5,000 years of history and culture. Korea and Seoul will impress you with its old tradition and new wave of K-pop, fashion, music, drama, food, dynamic and hospitable people. • Strong Support from Korean Government and Industries	crossroads of Europe and Asia. Istanbul is the cultural, industrial, commercial and historical center of Turkey. The city, with its incredibly diverse and rich cultural and historical heritage as well as its beauty, embraces all contradictions: ancient and modern, mystical and earthly. We promise a memorable conference experience in this unique environment
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