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The Management Science Group at the University of Canterbury is pleased to host the 44th Annual Conference of the Operational Research Society of New Zealand, *ORSNZ09*, on Thursday and Friday 3–4 December, 2009.

Call for Papers

We welcome papers on any aspect of operational research or management science, especially practical applications. Submissions from students and practitioners are greatly encouraged. Please email your abstract, of 200 words or fewer, to the conference organisers at: conference@orsnz.org.nz.

The submission deadline for abstracts is Monday 5th October, 2009.

Following acceptance of your abstract, we shall invite you to submit a full-length paper for publication in the conference proceedings. A copy of the proceedings will be given to every attendee at the conference and all members of the ORSNZ. An alternative to a conference paper is to submit an extended abstract.

Full papers and extended abstracts must be submitted by email in PDF format to the conference organisers. The full paper and extended abstract submission deadline is 30th October, 2009.

Conference registration forms, guidelines for the preparation of full papers and extended abstracts, and further conference information will be available on the conference website: <http://conference.orsnz.org.nz>

Student Travel Assistance

Full-time students, who are members of ORSNZ, and plan to present a paper at the ORSNZ conference, are eligible for travel assistance from ORSNZ to attend the

conference. Applications should be made using the conference registration form (available from <http://conference.orsnz.org.nz>), and should be signed by the student's supervisor or Head of Department to confirm that the applicant is enrolled in a full-time university course. The completed registration form, together with an abstract of the planned paper, should be sent to the conference address above by 30th October, 2009. Grants will be payable at the conference only upon production of a GST receipt for the travel expenses. The value of the grant is determined by the number of eligible students applying.

Young Practitioners' Prize (YPP)

OR practitioners, students and others who will be under 30 years of age on 3 December 2009 are invited to compete for the ORSNZ Young Practitioners' Prize. Condition for entry is the presentation of a paper at the 44th Annual Conference of the ORSNZ. Apply by email with your abstract submission, before the abstract submission deadline. Entrants must provide proof of their eligibility (forms will be available from the conference website). The total prize money awarded will be \$1,000, split between the authors of the best papers at the judge's discretion.

This year there will be a limit of 10 paper presentations in the YPP sessions. If there are more than 10 entries, preliminary judging will determine which entrants will be eligible for the prize. Entrants who have never won the YPP and previously entered no more than once are most likely to be eligible for the prize. All papers entered will be presented at the conference regardless of eligibility.

Shane Dye on behalf of the ORSNZ09 Organising Committee

