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Feature Issue on “Financial Decision Support”

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Motivation

Financial decisions are involved in a wide range of corporate activities and choices made by consumers. The context in which financial decisions are taken has changed drastically over the past decades, as several financial and technological innovations have created a lot of opportunities but also many challenges for financial managers, investors, and policy makers.

In the same time, the level of sophistication of financial decision making models has increased too, but further advances are still required to match the deep complexities of the financial world. The increasing uncertainties call for better tools to assess and manage financial risks. Advanced methodologies for descriptive, predictive, and prescriptive modeling, capable of handling the vast volume of existing data (quantitative and qualitative), are also crucial for providing operational financial decision support. Finally, innovative tools are needed to consider the multi-faced nature of financial decisions, combining not only financial information, but also other relevant aspects, including social responsibility, business ethics, and corporate governance, among others.

Such issues are relevant for all types of financial decisions in corporate finance, investments and the financial markets. Moreover, financial decision making problems should not be considered purely within the context of financial services (banks, insurance, investment funds), but also in the framework of non-financial sectors (industry, commerce, non-financial services), where financial decisions are an integral part of strategic and operational management.

Contents

In the above context, this Feature Issue aims to cover a wide spectrum of financial decision making problems, from the perspective of operational modeling tools and methodologies in a decision-theoretic support context. Original research papers ranging from the development and evaluation of new modeling methodologies to novel empirical studies are all welcome. On the methodological side, submitted papers should focus on OR/MS approaches and relevant decision support technologies. Fields of interest include all areas outlined above.

Schedule

Prospective authors are invited to submit: (1) an (optional) extended abstract (up to two pages) describing the proposed submission, to be sent by email to the guest editors (kostas.mdoumpos@dpem.tuc.gr, dniklis@isc.tuc.gr), prior to submitting the full paper, (2) a full paper to the Editorial Manager system (<https://www.editorialmanager.com/ejdp>), selecting article type *SI: Financial Decision Support*.

The planned schedule for the feature issue is as follows:

- April 30th, 2017 extended abstracts
- May 30th, 2017: submission of full papers
- January - 2018 Publication of the Feature Issue