

# EURO Bulletin

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT ELECT

Dear OR Friends within EURO,

Time is passing quickly, and after almost one year of a very instructive but rather not too burdensome experience supervised in a friendly way by Paolo Toth, the moment approaches to assume a much greater part of my duty in EURO. At the very beginning, I would like to express a sincere hope that I may depend on help of all the Past EURO Officers, in particular the Presidents, the Executive Committee, the Council, the Presidents of the National Societies, and all those who have the development of OR in their hearts.

As to the programme ... it is very simple (to propose, not to realise, of course!). I hope you will agree upon reflection that EURO has reached

such a high level of success that we can only wish ourselves to keep it! Of course, it does not mean that we will not develop what should be developed and we will not improve what can be improved. It means, however, that we will rather optimise the existing instruments than create new ones, although an Ethics Committee, proposed by Jean-Pierre Brans, could be one of a few exceptions. Another one could concern a European OR professional body, as a subset of EURO, if National Societies propose professional membership, and feel that such a body would e.g. undertake to lobby for them at the EC.

As to existing instruments, we will accept new members if they fulfil the appropriate conditions and express a wish to join us. In this context let me mention the recent conference in Riga at which the Baltic Society was founded. EURO and IFORS supported this event and it was money well spent. It is also proper to mention the moral and material support from both the Finnish and the Swedish OR Societies.

We will continue supporting EURO K Conferences, perhaps also by preparing a special software package, and we very much hope that the forthcoming ones in Barcelona and in Brussels will be at least as successful as the best of their predecessors.

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