

MCDM Elections 2026: Candidates for Executive Committee Vacancies

Xavier Gandibleux

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Xavier Gandibleux is Full Professor at Nantes University, France. He is member of the MCDM Society since 1992, after having participated to the 10th International MCDM Conference held in Taipei, Taiwan. His research in MCDM mainly concerns the conceptual and algorithmic aspects of multi-objective mathematical programming: interactive procedures, metaheuristics, combinatorial optimization, branch-and-bound, solvers. He also enjoys tackling concrete multi-objective problems, and has provided operational solutions to problems encountered in national electricity production, communication networks, railway transport, and supply chain. He is a founding member of ROADEF, the French OR society, created in 1998, for which he served as vice president for four years. He is co-founder of the French national group PM2O (Multi-Objective Programming), created in 1999 and active in France ever since. He has organized several international conferences on MCDM in France, such as MOMH (Multi-Objective MetaHeuristics) in 2002, MOP/GP (Multi-Objective Programming and Goal-Programming) in 2006, and EMO (Evolutionary Multi-Objective Optimisation) in 2009. Currently he is co-chair of the MCDM area for the IFORS'2026 conference, to be held in Vienna, Austria. More information about him is available at: <https://xgandibleux.github.io/>



Salvatore Greco

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Salvatore Greco is a Full Professor at the University of Catania, where he obtained his degree in Economics in 1988. He has taught and teaches courses such as Decision Theory, General Mathematics, Financial Mathematics, and Actuarial Mathematics. He has coordinated several PhD programs. From 2013 to 2022, he also held a part-time position at the Business School of the University of Portsmouth (UK).

His research activity focuses on preference modeling and Multiple Criteria Decision Making (MCDM), with particular attention to Rough Set Theory, Robust Ordinal Regression (ROR), criteria interaction and interactive evolutionary multiobjective optimization.

Together with Roman Słowiński and Benedetto Matarazzo, he played a key role in the development of the Dominance-based Rough Set Approach (DRSA), which is now considered an innovative and interpretable decision-support methodology, anticipating key concepts of Explainable Artificial Intelligence. He is the author or co-author of numerous papers in leading journals of Operations Research and Management Science.

In 2013, he received the MCDM Gold Medal, the highest international distinction in the field of Multiple Criteria Decision Making. He is co-author of a paper ranked among the most influential in the history of the European Journal of Operational Research and co-editor of fundamental state-of-the-art volumes on MCDM published by Springer.

He has held several prominent roles in the international scientific community, including coordinator of EURO working groups, member of the Executive Committee of the International Society on MCDM, President of the MCDM Section of INFORMS, Vice-President of AMASES, and Editor-in-Chief or Area Editor of leading scientific journals. He has also organized and chaired numerous international conferences and seminars.

His scientific production includes several hundred publications and tens of thousands of citations, with high h-indices on Web of Science, Scopus, and Google Scholar. He is consistently listed among the top 2% of the world's most cited scientists.

Carlos Henggeler Antunes

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Carlos Henggeler Antunes holds a PhD in Electrical Engineering (specialization in Optimization and Systems Theory) from the University of Coimbra (UC). He is a Full Professor at the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the UC, Director of the R&D institute INESC Coimbra, member of the coordination committee of the Energy for Sustainability Initiative at UC, and president of APDIO – the Portuguese Operational Research Society. His areas of interest include multi-objective optimization,



meta-heuristics, multi-criteria analysis, bilevel optimization, energy systems and policies with focus on energy efficiency and demand response. He is co-author of the book “Multiobjective Linear and Integer Programming“ (Springer, 2016) and co-editor of the book “Energy and Behaviors” (Academic Press, 2019). He is senior editor of Energy Policy and editor of the EURO Journal on Decision Processes. He has had a long-term involvement with the MCDM Society, including the organization of the conference in Coimbra in 1994, and collaborates in the Newsletter of the EURO Working Group on MCDA.

Murat Köksalan

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Murat Köksalan is currently teaching at the Ross School of Business, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA. He has spent most of his career at the Industrial Engineering Department of the Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Türkiye. He has held visiting positions at SUNY Buffalo, NY, USA, Purdue University, IN, USA, Georgetown University, DC, USA, and Aalto University, Finland.

He received multiple awards, including the Gold Medal from the International Society on Multiple Criteria Decision Making (MCDM), the Science Award from the Parlar Foundation, and several INFORMS Case Competition first place awards. He is the founding president of the INFORMS Section on MCDM, a past president of the International Society on MCDM, and an elected member of the Science Academy Society of Turkey.

His research focuses on multiple criteria decision making in general, and multi-objective combinatorial optimization, heuristic search, and their practical applications, in particular. He enjoys studying the history of his field and developing teaching cases based on real-world problems. Outside of academia, he enjoys skiing and playing tennis.

Danielle Morais

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Danielle Morais is a Full professor in the Department of Management Engineering at Federal University of Pernambuco (UFPE), Brazil, where she has been a faculty member since 2007. She is the current Coordinator of the INCT-INSID (www.insid.org.br), a cooperative inter-institutional scientific network with national and international extensions for developing advanced research and applications on MCDM/A (Multi-Criteria Decision Making/Aiding) and GDN (Group Decision and Negotiation). She is also a member of the Executive Committee of the International Society on MCDM (2022–2026). She served as a Board of the MCDM Section of INFORMS (2014–2016) and is currently serving again for the 2024–2026 term. Also, she was elected as Secretary (2021-2022), Treasury (2023-2024), and Vice-president for Membership and Publications (2025-2026) of the GDN Section of INFORMS. She has been given important contributions to the MCDM community, including the organization of the MCDM Summer School in Recife (2016) for the International Society on MCDM. Also, she Organized the 12th International Conference on GDN in 2012, in Brazil. Her research focuses on MCDM/A and GDN, including methodological developments, behavioral analysis, and real-world applications. She has made significant contributions to MCDM/A and GDN within several contexts and particularly in



the field of water resources management, with publications in leading journals such as European Journal of Operational Research, Omega, Group Decision and Negotiation, Annals of Operations Research, International Transactions in Operational Research, IMA Journal of Management Mathematics, Water S.A., Water Resources Management, and Resources, Conservation and Recycling. She has a grantee for Productivity in Research from the Brazilian NRC (CNPq), holding a Level 1B distinction. She has held several leadership positions at UFPE, including Director of the PostGraduate Program in Management Engineering (2008–2010; 2013–2021) and Head of the Department (2021–2023). She serves as Deputy Coordinator in the area of Engineering III at CAPES (Brazilian Federal Agency for Support and Evaluation of PostGraduate Education, from 2022 to the present. She also coordinates the Research Group on Decision and Negotiation for Water Management (DNW) and is member of NSID (Laboratory for Neuroscience and Behavioral Studies in Decision).

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Caroline Mota is a professor of Engineering Management at the Universidade Federal de Pernambuco (UFPE), Brazil. She holds a civil engineering background and obtained her Ph.D. in Management Engineering from UFPE in 2005, with a sandwich period at the Southampton University, UK. She is Director of the Project Management and Development research group (PMD/UFPE) and member of the INSID (National Institute of Information and Decision Systems). She currently serves as Treasurer of the Brazilian Society of Operations Research (SOBRAPO) and is Past President of SOBRAPO (2022-2025).

She has been an elected member of the executive committee of the International Society of Multiple Criteria Decision Making (MCDM) and of the INFORMS Section on MCDM. She also served as Director of the Post-Graduate Program of Management Engineering at UFPE (PPGEP). Her research interests include Multiple Criteria Decision Making/Aid, Geographic Information Systems, public policy decision-making, and applications in services, operations and project management. Her research has been applied in collaboration with public and private institutions, including the Brazilian Federal Police, the Pernambuco State Secretariat of Defense and TPF Engineering and Consulting. She has been awarded Productivity in Research grant by the Brazilian National Council of Technological and Scientific Development (CNPq) and has served on a high-level committee of CNPq (2023-2025). Her research has been published in about 60 scientific journals and she serves as associate editor and reviewer for scientific journals and conferences.

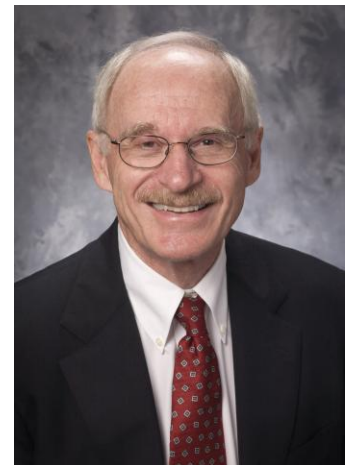
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Ralph E. Steuer

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Ralph E. Steuer is the Sanford Family Distinguished Chair of Business in the Department of Finance of the Terry College of Business at the University of Georgia. He received an Sc.B. (electrical engineering) from Brown University, an MBA (accounting & finance) from Cornell University, and a Ph.D. in Business Administration (quantitative methods) from the University of North Carolina. He is the author of *Multiple Criteria Optimization: Theory, Computation, and Application* and over 100 research articles. Steuer's research interests are in



multicriteria portfolio selection, efficient sets and surfaces, and methods of multiple criteria optimization.

A recipient of a Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of North, he was a co-founder of the Special Interest Group on Multiple Criteria Decision Making in 1979, which has gone on to be the International Society on MCDM of today. Having lectured in 50 countries, he has been an advisor to universities in emerging countries on the establishment of curricula in management and for over 20 years served as Honorary Dean of the School of Industrial Management at the Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology in Vietnam.

Prior to joining the University of Georgia, he was a Visiting Associate Professor at Princeton University (one year) and on the faculty of the University of Kentucky (eight years).

Ilker Topcu

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Ilker Topcu is a Professor of Decision Sciences in the Industrial Engineering Department at Istanbul Technical University. He received his Ph.D. in Engineering Management from Istanbul Technical University in 2000. His academic background includes appointments as a visiting researcher at Leeds University Business School (1998–1999) and a visiting professor at the University of Pittsburgh’s Joseph M. Katz Graduate School of Business (2018–

With a long-standing involvement in the MCDM Society, he served on its Executive Committee from 2015 to 2022. He also acted as the General Chair of the 25th International Conference on MCDM in Istanbul in 2019. His dedication to the community is reflected in his attendance at nearly every MCDM conference since the 14th meeting in Charlottesville, Virginia, US, in 1998.

He specializes in Multiple Criteria Decision Making and Operations Research, applying decision-support tools to complex challenges across various areas, including energy, logistics, and

transportation. Beyond advancing supply chain management and sustainable development, his research also encompasses healthcare management and scheduling optimizations. His recent research actively advances sustainable development by analyzing critical interactions within the SDGs, while also integrating technologies like Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technology to drive responsible transformation in Industry 5.0 and resilient supply chain management. His academic contributions include a robust portfolio of highly cited articles in leading SCI- and SSCI-indexed journals, as well as numerous edited books and international conference proceedings.

Furthermore, he actively translates methodology into practice by organizing and facilitating numerous collaborative decision conferences. Through these strategic workshops, he supports diverse organizations, spanning aviation, defense, insurance, automotive, retail, and non-profit foundations, in scenario evaluation, project prioritization, and future design.

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Margaret M. Wiecek is Professor in the School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences at Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina. She has obtained a Ph.D. degree in Systems Engineering from the AGH University of Science and Technology in Krakow, Poland.



Her research area includes theory, methodology, and applications of optimization with special interest in multiobjective optimization and decision-making. She has proposed exact and approximation solution methods; decomposition and coordination methods; cone-based models of preferences; methods for robust decision-making under uncertainty. Part of her work has been interdisciplinary since she has introduced new multiobjective optimization concepts and methods into engineering optimization to enrich the field of automotive and structural design.

She has advised twenty doctoral students and has over one hundred fifty reviewed articles published.

She has held joint professorship with the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Clemson University. She has been a Sofia Kovalevskaja Visiting Professor and a Mercator Visiting Professor at the University of Kaiserslautern in Germany, and a visiting professor at the University of Copenhagen in Denmark and the University of Jyväskylä in Finland.

She currently serves as an area editor for the Journal of Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis and an associate editor for the Journal of Optimization Theory and Applications. She is a member of the editorial boards for the International Journal of Multicriteria Decision Making, and Decision Making in Manufacturing and Services.

She has served as a member of the Executive Committee of the International Society on MCDM and as the President of the MCDM Section of INFORMS. She is also a member of the Institute for Operations Research and Management Science, and the International Society on MCDM.

In recognition of her lifetime contributions, she has been presented the MCDM Gold Medal by the International Society on MCDM.