

EDITORIAL NOTE

Last year we implemented an online system at the website of SciELO (www.scielo.br/pope) for electronic submission of the papers for publication in *Pesquisa Operacional*. This system has been facilitating and improving interaction between authors, reviewers and editors, and accelerating the processing of the papers. Since 2011, *Pesquisa Operacional* has been publishing papers only in English, and authors willing to submit their papers should use this online submission system. Papers can be typed in either LaTeX or Word.

From now on we are offering electronic publication of accepted papers in *Pesquisa Operacional* at the website of SciELO prior to print publication. The papers posted online “Ahead of Print” are citable by unique DOI (Digital Object Identifier) assigned to each paper and this procedure is making research available more quickly than traditional publishing.

We have also made some recent adjustments and reformulations to *Pesquisa Operacional* aiming to maintain quality and to improve its dissemination and visibility within the scientific community of operations research. Some changes have been made to the journal cover design and to the layout and presentation of the journal contents. The Editorial Board of *Pesquisa Operacional* has also been renewed and enlarged with highly qualified colleagues in the field of operations research.

We are pleased to inform that this year *Pesquisa Operacional* will publish a special issue in the honor of the 60th anniversary of Prof. Horacio Hideki Yanasse, the former Editor-in-Chief of *Pesquisa Operacional* for eleven years. This special issue will be organized by the Guest Editors: Profs. Nelson Maculan Filho, Adiel Teixeira de Almeida and Nei Yoshihiro Soma.

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