

## General Support Funds - Report for 2002

The purpose of the “General Support funds” is to support any activity related to EURO that cannot be covered by other instruments of EURO.

Priority will always be given to:

- bids that give special consideration to the need of students (*e.g.* organiser of an event related to EURO willing to subsidise the participation of students),
- bids that give special consideration to the need of organisers of OR events in Central and Eastern Europe,
- bids that emanate from a member society of EURO or organisers of EURO sponsored events or organisers of events sponsored by a member society of EURO.

The budget for this instrument is 10 000 € for 2002. Part of the 2001 unused budget was also considered.

The deadline for the submission of bids for the “General Support” funds of EURO was widely announced to be: 15 December 2001 for the first semester of 2002 and 1 June 2002 for the second semester of 2002.

Funds were allocated as follows.

- AIRO (the Italian OR Society), 1500€ for the further development of its web site.
- YORS, BORS, HELORS (the Yugoslavian, Bulgarian and Greek OR societies), 2000€ for a workshop on Operational Research Education in Southern and Eastern Europe to take place at the mountain Tara, 9-12 October 2002.
- ORST (the Turkish OR society), 2500€ for the organisation of a doctoral students colloquium on Operational Research and Industrial Engineering at the Middle East Technical University, Ankara (pending allocation; further information has been requested).
- CSOR (the Czech OR Society), 700€ supporting the publishing of the Proceedings of the MME02 Conference to take place in Ostrava, 3-5 September 2002.

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