
Editorial

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Biographical notes: Mounir Benaissa graduated in Electromechanical Engineering in 2000. He obtained his PhD in 2006 from University of Le Havre (France) and HDR in 2014. He is a Full Associate Professor in Industrial Engineering at the University of Sfax since 2007. He has undertaken studies and research on industrial problems of production and logistics. He is also an active member of IEEE-IAS and IEEE-ITS society. He organised many international conferences, LOGITIQUA 2011, ICALT 2014, 2015, 2016 and ICALT'2017. He was a guest editor of special issues of international journals [e.g., *International Journal of Business Performance and Supply Chain Modelling (IJBPSM)*]. He published more than 35 articles in international indexed journals and conferences. His research interests include information system of supply chain, reverse logistics, optimisation of supply chain, product traceability.

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In recent years there have been significant advances in the assessment of drivers and other safety-critical roles in transportation and logistics. The design of problem-specific models together with efficient solution methods are topics of great interest in transportation and logistics for both researchers and practitioners. In view of these facts, the purpose of the International Conference on Advanced Logistics and Transport

(ICALT) is to provide a platform for academics and engineers to meet, exchange ideas, and establish new professional networks.

The number of papers submitted to ICALT'2016 has overwhelmed those of previous editions. The reviewing process was rigorous, including peer-reviewing from at least two qualified reviewers. The papers accepted are of very high quality and cover the wide range of topics of the conference. For this special section, we selected only three quality papers from the large number of papers presented at ICALT'2016. These papers are representative of the main topics in transportation and logistics.

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