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## Editorial

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The utilisation of multicriteria decision aid (MCDA) methods and approaches in real-world applications, as well as the development of new MCDA systems, constitute two major issues in recent research and development activities in this field. This need is strengthened by the significance of the issues and problems plaguing the modern world such as climate change, environment, resource management, economic development, health and welfare, pandemic, crises, poverty, etc. This special issue includes selected research works presented at the multicriteria decision aid and decision support systems streams of the European Conference of Operational Research taken place in Greece in 2021 (EURO 2021). The aim of this special issue is to collect representative research works in the field of multicriteria decision aid systems and applications and to investigate the utilisation of the MCDA, to problems related to all aspects of social, production and services issues such as human resources, natural resources, water, energy, education, healthcare, financial, environment, etc.