School Session Programme (21 May 2019, Tuesday)

08:30 - 09:00	School Reception	
09:00 - 10:30	Optimization Models Applications 1	Dr Hans Wang
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 - 12:30	Optimization Models Applications 2	Dr Hans Wang
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 15:30	Structural Equational Modelling Application 3	Prof Ching-Chiao Yang
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00 - 17:30	Structural Equational Modelling Application 4	Dr Christina Wong

Keynote speaker for School Session on "*Optimization Models Applications: Empirical Studies* of Shipping and Port Management"

Dr. Shuaian (Hans) Wang

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Brief Introduction of this session

This session will introduce mathematical modeling in maritime studies, including topic selection, research methods, and paper writing. Dr. Wang will demonstrate how to conduct a research that is related to mathematical modeling in maritime studies (shipping and port operations). The target audiences of this session are PhD students and other junior researchers in the field of maritime studies who are interested in applying operations research techniques to shipping and port management problems. First, Dr. Wang will use examples to show how to identify meaningful research problems. Second, He will elaborate on a few research methods that are frequently used in maritime studies. Finally, he will show some tips in academic paper writing.

Keynote speakers for School Session on "Structural Equational Modeling (SEM) Application: Empirical Studies of Shipping and Logistics"

Professor Ching-Chiao Yang
 Associate Editor of Journal of Shipping and Trade
 Topic: Analytical Steps and Test the Structural Model in SEM



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Brief introduction of this session

The SEM model is a multivariate technique and has been commonly applied in business research. It is most appropriate to evaluate causal and effect relationship when the research has multiple constructs. This session thus aims to introduce the use of SEM model in shipping and logistics researches. Firstly, some key concepts and definition will be addressed. Then, the main processes will be introduced including model formation, model estimation, model assessment, etc.. In particular, the confirmatory factor analysis will be introduced for assessing the validity of model. Finally, a case study will be conducted to explain how to apply the SEM model in shipping and logistics research.

2. Dr. Christina W.Y. Wong
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Regional Editor of the International Journal of Operations and Production Management.
Topic: Moderating and Mediating Effects in SEM



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