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**Call for Papers**  
*Annals of Operations Research*  
**Special Issue: Application of Operations Research (OR) in Disaster Relief Operations (DRO)**

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The *Annals of Operations Research* seeks submissions for a special issue on **Application of Operations Research (OR) in Disaster Relief Operations (DRO)**. The deadline for submission is 15<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

**The main topics of interest are:**

- Humanitarian logistics and supply chain management
- Facilities location problems
- Role of Big Data in Disaster Relief Operations
- Applications of IoT in Disaster Relief Operations
- Crowdsourcing and its influence on Disaster Relief Operations
- Building efficient humanitarian supply chains
- Building responsive humanitarian supply chains
- Agility in humanitarian supply chains
- Adaptability in humanitarian supply chains
- Alignment in humanitarian supply chains
- Coordination and collaboration in humanitarian supply chains
- Resilience in humanitarian supply chains
- Role of humanitarian actors
- Swift-trust
- Military-civil interface in humanitarian operations
- Capacity building
- Behavioural humanitarian operations
- Relationship management in context to humanitarian operations
- Performance measures and metrics in humanitarian supply chains
- Logistics in humanitarian operations
- Information sharing and technology adoption in humanitarian operations
- Costing in humanitarian logistics and supply chains
- Vehicle routing problems in DRO
- Application of evolutionary algorithms (EA)

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