Optimization Letters Best Paper Award for 2016

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Dear Colleagues,

It is our pleasure to announce that the following two papers shared the *2016 OPTL Best Paper Award*:

Cédric Jozs, Didier Henrion (2016), Strong duality in Lasserre's hierarchy for polynomial optimization, *Optimization Letters* 10(1), 3–10.

Carlos J. Luz (2016), A characterization of the weighted Lovász number based on convex quadratic programming, *Optimization Letters* 10(1), 19–31.

The OPTL Best Paper Award carries a 1000 USD prize (shared between the winners) and a plaque. This year the Best Paper Award Selection Committee included OPTL Editorial Board members Dr. Boris Mordukhovich, Dr. Jean-Philippe Richard, Dr. Monica Gentili, and the Founding Editor-In-Chief, Dr. Panos Pardalos. We want to thank the members of the Committee for their service and Springer for sponsoring the award.

In addition, the following paper received an honorable mention:

Peter Richtárik, Martin Takáč, On optimal probabilities in stochastic coordinate descent methods, *Optimization Letters* 10(6), 1233–1243.

Please join us in congratulating the authors of all three papers for their excellent contribution to literature!

Finally, we also would like to take this opportunity to invite nominations for the *2017 OPTL Best Paper Award*. All papers published in OPTL during the year of 2017 are eligible.

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