Ανακήρυξη του Prof. Amedeo R. Odoni σε Επίτιμο Διδάκτορα

Η Γενική Συνέλευση του Τμήματος την Τετάρτη 27 Φεβρουαρίου 2002 αποφάσισε την ανακήρυξη του Καθηγητή του Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), κ. Amedeo R. Odoni, ως Επίτιμο Διδάκτορα του Τμήματος Διοικητικής Επιστήμης και Τεχνολογίας του Οικονομικού Πανεπιστημίου Αθηνών. Η επίσημη τελετή θα γίνει στις αρχές του 2003.

Βιογραφικό Σημείωμα: **Prof. Amedeo Odoni**

Dr. Amedeo Odoni is the T. Wilson Professor of Aeronautics and Astronautics and of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). He is Co-Director of the FAA's National Center of Excellence in Aviation Operations Research (NEXTOR) and Co-Director of the Global Airline Industry Program at MIT, a large research and education project sponsored by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. The author, co-author or editor of seven books and more than seventy technical papers and reports, Professor Odoni gas served as consultant to many airports and ATM organizations around the world. He has received the Robert Herman Lifetime Achievement Award of INFORMS for contributions to Transportation Science and the FAA Administrator's National Award for Excellence in Aviation Education. His new book Airport Planning, Design and Management, co-authored with Prof. Richard de Neufville, will be published by McGraw-Hill in the Spring 2002.

Professor Odoni' s professional career constitutes the perfect example of what the Robert Herman Lifetime Achievement Award in Transportation Science stands for: sustained superior scholarship, dedication to the training of scholars and practitioners, profound impact on the practice of transportation science, and leadership of and service to the community. As a scholar, Professor Odoni creatively blended probability theory, stochastic optimization, and combinatorial and network optimization, to make fundamental contributions to the analysis of transportation systems, routing, location, urban service systems, and the evaluation of public programs. He is the author, co-author or editor of seven books and more than seventy professional publications. Professor Odoni was instrumental in bringing rigorous models and methodologies to air traffic management and control as well as airport planning and design. His seminal contributions to these fields have been widely acknowledged and embraced by public administrations and industry alike as witnessed by the numerous projects he has undertaken in the United Stated and abroad. He continues to this day to develop the science and practice of air traffic and airport design, planning, management and control.

Professor Odoni has dedicated significant and sustained efforts to that most fundamental duty and privilege of a university professor: teaching and supervising students. The U.S. FAA National Award for Excellence in Aviation Education and several MIT Graduate Student Awards for Teaching Excellence bear witness to his skill and dedication. Former Odoni students are to be found the world over in academia and industry. Many are now renowned scholars themselves and active members of our community. No less than four of his Ph.D. students won the Transportation Science Section Dissertation Award.

Professor Odoni has also served the transportation community as Co-Director of the Operations Research Center, Co-Director of the Statistics Center, and Head of the Systems Division of the Aeronautics and Astronautics Department of MIT. He currently serves as Co-Director of the National Center of Excellence in Aviation Operations Research, a consortium of four universities and some twenty major industrial partners, as well as Co-Director of the Global Airline Industry Program at MIT. Professor Odoni was Editor of Transportation Science from 1987 to 1991, Associate Editor of Operations Research, as well as a member of the editorial boards of many professional journals. He participated actively in the Transportation Science Section of INFORMS, including service as chair of the Lifetime Achievement Award committee as well as both chair and member of the Transportation Science Section Dissertation prize committee.