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#### Editorial

This journal is edited by the Systems Research Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences. Its main objective is to stimulate the developement od cybernetical and systems sciences through publication of papers by authors from the Institute as well as from Poland and abroad.

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- Decision and negotiation systems
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