Grants / Awards / Recognitions

Arnita Rishanty, a PhD student in the OSCM Group supervised by Dong Li and Jorge Hernandez, was awarded the Best Paper Academic Prize at the NARTI Annual Doctoral Conference 2019.

Budi Harsanto, a PhD student in the OSCM Group supervised by Niraj Kumar and Yuanzhu Zhan, received the ULMS ‘Best External Engagement’ award among all the ULMS PhD students in July 2019.

Niraj Kumar is recognized as a ‘Top 25 most cited author’ by Transportation Research Part E: Logistics and Transportation for his paper on “Understanding Big Data Analytics capabilities in supply chain management”.

Omar Elsayed, a PhD student in the OSCM Group supervised by Hossein Sharifi and Ron Dyer, was awarded the Best Full Paper Award within the Operations Management track at the BAM 2019 Conference (his second year win in a row).

Yuanjun Feng, a PhD student in the OSCM Group supervised by Dongping Song and Dong Li, won the best student paper in the 9th International Conference on Logistics and Maritime Systems (LOGMS2019) held at NUS, Singapore, from 14–16 August 2019, for the paper she presented titled ‘The stochastic container relocation problem under a flexible service policy considering truck waiting times’.

Journal Papers (Accepted or Published)


Conference Attendance or Presentations


**Hugo Lam** attended the International Conference on Operations and Supply Chain Management in Shenzhen, China (19–22 July 2019) and co-chaired a special track on “Sustainable Supply Chain”, and the POMS International Conference in Brighton in the UK (2–4 September 2019) and co-chaired a special track on “How Social Media Are Transforming Operations Management”.

**Jo Meehan** attended the Value Transformers event in Helsinki in September 2019 to present her work (joint with **Laura Menzies**) on value-based procurement in the NHS, and the University of Birmingham’s Work Inclusivity Research Centre research day to present her work (joint with **Bruce Pinnington**) on modern slavery and power.

Events

The Group hosted the 10th International Conference on Systematic Innovation (ICSI) & Global Competition on Systematic Innovation (GCSI) from 8–11 July 2019 with **Yuanzhu Zhan** as the lead organizer, attracting national and international attendees. The conference included 77 papers and also featured a keynote given by **Andy Lyons**.

**Jo Meehan** and **Bruce Pinnington** hosted a two-day visit for **Prof Donna Marshall** (UCD) and **Prof Jakob Rehme** (Jonkoping) at the International Slavery Museum at the Albert Dock. The research visit included a roundtable discussion with government and NGO representatives to explore emerging research areas around the topics of modern slavery, transparency, and corporate disclosure.

Visitors

Dr Daiane Neutzling (University of Fortaleza, Brazil) visited from 17–25 July 2019, hosted by **Niraj Kumar**.

Dr Deyan Yang (Jiangsu Normal University Business School, China) visiting from 9/2019 to 9/2020, hosted by **Dongping Song**.

Professor Linbang Fan (Jiangsu Normal University Business School, China) visiting from 9/2019 to 1/2020, hosted by **Dongping Song**.

Dr Tuyen Chan Kha (Faculty of Food Science and Technology, Nong Lam University, Vietnam) visited from 28 July to 6 August 2019, hosted by **Niraj Kumar**.

PhD Students (New / Completed)

Olly Kennedy joins the Group as a ESRC-funded PhD student in September, supervised by **Jo Meehan**, **Bruce Pinnington** and Linda Hendry (Lancaster University Management School). His research is on the modern slavery and social value research. Olly is a former Liverpool MBA student and won ULMS’s 2018 Roy Paul Award for Outstanding Contribution.