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## IFAC SYMPOSIUM ON OPTIMAL SYSTEMS PLANNING

An International Symposium on Optimal Systems Planning will be held at the Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland, Ohio, USA from 20th to 22nd June, 1968 under the sponsorship of the IFAC Committee on Systems Engineering. The Symposium will be organized by the American Automatic Control Council in conjunction with the Systems Science and Cybernetics Group of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

The Symposium will provide a focal point for the presentation and discussion of

- Basic methods and theories underlying optimal long range planning of organizations and projects.
- Applications and experiences in these techniques.

In this context planning will include social and economic as well as technical systems. Studies of current and longterm trends as well as the definition of particular problem areas will form part of the Symposium.

The range of the Symposium will cover planning methods such as

- Future Demand forecasting
- Assessing planning effectiveness
- Modeling and simulation
- Optimization
- Choosing correct methods
- Decision making

Applications and discussions are being sought from a wide

range of areas including

Industrial and Manufacturing systems, Power systems, Educational fields, Transportation, Banking and Business information and communication systems.

## Call for Papers

Intending authors should send abstracts (200-300words) on their proposed paper for the Symposium in English by October 1,1967, to the Chairman of the Program Committee:

> Dr. Leon F. Kirchmayer System Planning and Control Electric Utility Engineering General Electric Company Schenectady, New York 12305

Submission of final papers for review will be required by December 1,1967. They should be sent to the Program Chairman listed above.

It is planned that the papers at the Conference will be published in a Proceedings of the Symposium to be available at the time of the Symposium.

Enquiries and requests of further details on the final programs should be addressed to

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