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## EDITORIAL: ABOUT PLAGIARISM

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#### WHAT IS PLAGIARISM?

A number of people think of plagiarism as of copying another's work, or borrowing someone's original ideas (see *http://www.plagiarism.org*).

According to the *Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary* (see *http://www.merriam-webster.com*), to '*plagiarize*' means:

- to steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own;
- to use (another's production) without crediting the source;
- to commit literary theft;
- to present as new and original an idea or product derived from an existing source.

In other words, plagiarism is an act of fraud. It involves both stealing someone else's work and lying about it afterward.

#### **STOP PLAGIARISM!**

The Editorial Board of the Journal *TRANSPORT* apologize for the paper '*Providing a Decreasing Congestion Probability Model for Urban Streets Network*' produced by H. Ziari, H. Behbahani and M. M. Khabiri and published in *TRANSPORT* 21(3) 2006 that was considered as a typical example of PLAGIARISM (similarity index with other papers approximately 62%).

The earlier published initial original references:

- Jiang, B.; Claramunt, C. 2004. A structural approach to the model generalization of an urban street network, *GeoInformatica* 8(2): 157–171. This original paper also is available from Internet: <a href="http://www.springerlink.com/content/w486710q406558j3/?p=a6854958f938411b9024dbe1c48bfd1e&pi=2">http://www.springerlink.com/content/w486710q406558j3/?p=a6854958f938411b9024dbe1c48bfd1e&pi=2>;</a>
- Jiang, B.; Claramunt, C. 2002. A Structural Approach to Model Generalisation of an Urban Street Network, in 5th AGILE Conference on Geographic Information Science, Palma (Mallorca, Spain) 25–27 April 2002, 1–10. This original paper also is available from Internet: <a href="http://plone.itc.nl/agile\_old/Conference/mallorca2002/">http://plone.itc.nl/agile\_old/Conference/mallorca2002/</a> proceedings/dia25/Session\_6/s6\_Jiang.pdf>;
- Forbes, G. 2000. Urban roadway classification before the design begins, in *Transportation Research E-Circular*, Number E-C019. Original paper also is available from Internet: <a href="http://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/circulars/ec019/Ec019\_b6.pdf">http://onlinepubs/circulars/ec019/Ec019\_b6.pdf</a>,

are not cited in the paper '*Providing a Decreasing Congestion Probability Model for Urban Streets Network*' produced by H. Ziari, H. Behbahani and M. M. Khabiri.

# The Editorial Board of the Journal *TRANSPORT* and the Publishing House *TECHNIKA* have retracted the paper '*Providing a Decreasing Congestion Probability Model for Urban Streets Network*' produced by H. Ziari, H. Behbahani and M. M. Khabiri.

The fact of PLAGIARISM has been established co-operating with a colleague PhD Declan Butler (Senior Reporter of the Journal *NATURE*, France). Publication is available from the Internet: <a href="http://www.nature.com/news/2009/090930/full/461578a.html">http://www.nature.com/news/2009/090930/full/461578a.html</a>.

#### The Editorial Board of the Journal TRANSPORT is AGAINST PLAGIARISM