

ECCAI General Assembly 2000

Date and Time:Wednesday, August 23, 2000, 18:00 - 21:00Venue:Humboldt University, Main Building, Room 2103Unter den Linden 6, Berlin, Germany in connection with the 14th European Conference
on Artificial Intelligence

1. OPENING

By the President, Wolfgang Whalster.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AUGUST 4, 1999 AT STOCKHOLM (see www.eccai.org/Minutes_1999_GA.html) The Minutes were approved.

3. REPORT OF THE ECCAI CHAIR (W. Wahlster)

The report was received and a special thanks to Wolfgang for his leadership of ECCAI and his service during 18 years.

4. MINUTE'S SILENCE AS A COMMEMORATION OF THE LATE PROF. JEAN-MARC FOUET

Chair of the Organizing Committee for ECAI-2002, 1998-2000

5. SECRETARY'S AND TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT (C. Jansson, J.-P. Barthes)

Received as a separate document and noted.

6. BUDGET FOR 2000 AND 2001 (J.-P. Barthes)

Received as a separate document and noted.

7. ECCAI TRAVEL GRANT PROGRAMME (R. Milne)

20 award were provided for delegates to attend ECAI.

8. ECCAI DISSERTATION AWARD (S. Miksch)

As previously announced.

9. ECCAI FELLOWS PROGRAMME (W. Wahlster)

As previously announced, there were 5 new Fellows for 2000.

10. ECAI-2000: REPORT OF PROGRAMME CHAIR (W. Horn)

W. Horn presented the statistics of the paper acceptances and that the program, including PAIS was considered to be a good success. Werner was congratulated for doing an excellent job as the PC chair.

11. ECAI-2000: REPORT OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE CHAIR AND CO-CHAIR (K. Sundermeyer, H.-D. Burkhard)

The conference is very well attended and preliminary indications are that it will make a surplus of over 30K Euros. The organisers were congratulated for doing a very good job.



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12. ACAI-2001: PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FROM PRAGUE

This proposal was accepted for a school the first two week of July. The profit would be split equally between ECAI and the two organising groups.

- **13. ECAI-2002 IN LYON: STATUS REPORT** (A. Mille) The first poster was presented. Local organisations are under way and progress is fine.
- 14. **PROGRAMME CHAIR FOR ECAI-2002: DISCUSSION OF NOMINATED CANDIDATES AND DECISION** Frank van Harmelen of the Free University of Amsterdam was selected as the new PC chair.

15. ECAI-2004: DISCUSSION OF PROPOSALS AND SITE SELECTION

The University of Valencia was selected as the site for 2004.

16. STATUS OF ETAI (E. Sandewall)

A progress report was presented. ETAI is working well and the number of areas is growing.

17. ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO AICOM (IOS Press)

This relationship is continuing. All societies now have passwords and their members should be encouraged to access the on line version of Al Coms.

18. ELECTION OF THE NEW ECCAI BOARD

The following were elected to the ECCAI Board:

Marc Ayel, AFIA, France Silvia Coradeschi, SAIS, Sweden Uli Furbach, KI, Germany

Special thanks were given to the three outgoing board members.

19. STRATEGIES TO INCREASE INDUSTRIAL INVOLVEMENT IN ECCAI (K. van Marcke)

There was a short discussion as time was late. The delegates approved the direction and concepts of the plan proposed by K. van Marcke.

20. MEMBERSHIP STATUS OF SOCIETIES

No changes in society membership.

21. DATE AND VENUE FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN 2001

To be on 6 July 2001, in Prague, Czech Republic with the ACAI summer school.

22. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

23. CLOSE