

Track (1) PC Chair: Ernst Mayr

Track (2) PC Chair: John Mitchell

Steering Committee Chair: Giorgio Ausiello

During discussions on TCS 2004 it was reported from G. Ausiello that there have been some serious organizational (in particular, financial) issues in WCC 2002 held at Montreal and TCS 2002 has also been involved in the problem. The Steering Committee Chair (G. Ausiello) and the General Chair (N. Santoro) of TCS 2002 are handling the issues related to TCS 2002.

N.B.: The issues of WCC 2002 were of one of the main concerns at the Bilbao Council, as can be seen from "The President's Report" at the Council in Bilbao.

6. Financial Issues

The chair has learned at the end of January, 2003 that the TC1 has the following funds:

6,996.07 EURO from the previous years

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3,000 EURO for 2003 from the IFIP Headquater.

The chair said that how to use these TC1 funds from the IFIP Headquater would be discussed at the TC1 meetings.

N.B.: In January the chair was asked to write a short report for Technical Assembly to be held at Bilbao), including "Financial Balance of TC", using the format provided from the TA Chair. The above financial figure of TC1 was obtained, contacting to the past Chair and the IFIP Headquater, and it was reported at the TC1 meeting. But at the Bilbao Council the Finance Committee of IFIP announced that the TC1 Fund Balance for 2003 is 4,761 EURO. NOTE that this "4,761 EURO" is the amount that we can use in this year.

7. Message from the past Chair

Professor Ausiello, the past TC1 Chair, has expressed the following issues:

- (1) The Working Groups should increase their visibility as a member of IFIP, organizing workshops and symposia with the name of IFIP, and publishing books and proceedings that would produce incomes to IFIP and TC1. Also, he stressed need of assessment of WGs.
- (2) It would be important and useful for TC1 to start and establish TC1 Awards. The Awards should be started at WCC 2004 (Toulouse). He proposed to start two prizes, one in the area of Algorithms and Complexity, and another in the area of Logic and Semantics.

(3) Financial Matter of TCS 2002

WCC 2002 at Montreal is facing some organizational issues, in particular, financial difficulties. Accordingly TCS 2002 is facing the same problem. He proposed to use TC1 funds for TCS 2002.

There were discussions on his proposals, including use of TC1 funds to support TCS 2002.

N.B.: Note that the Organizing Committee, Canadian Information Processing Society and Quebec Information Processing Society are fully responsible for organizational and financial issues of WCC 2002, although IFIP is partially responsible as the father organization of WCC events. {This is the understanding of the current TC1 chair. On the WCC 2002 issues he spoke at the Bilbao Council from such a standpoint. He thinks that other TC chairs and the Council members share similar understandings.}

8. Future Meetings

The chair proposed to have the next meeting within this year to discuss some urgent issues.

The past Chair proposed to have the next meeting at the time of WCC 2004 (Toulouse). His proposal was accepted by majority.

Hence, we will have the next TC1 meeting in August, 2004.

N.B.: There are several issues that we need to discuss asap. I will mail for discussions before next meeting.

The main issue at the next meeting (Toulouse) will be nomination of candidates for the new TC1 chair, since the term of the current chair ends up at the end of 2005.

9. Any Other Issues

No other issue.