

Network Action Proposal

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| Title: | Organisation of the Symposium on Language and Robots 2007, 10-12 December 2007, Aveiro Portugal. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Membership number(s) | 98 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Member name(s) | Dr. Tony Belpaeme | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Member institute/company name(s) | University of Plymouth | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Goals of the action | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To support the organization of the Language and Robots symposium 2007 in Aveiro, Portugal. - To fund the travel and subsistence costs of two keynote speakers. - To encourage the participation of postgraduate students. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Principal activity to which it contributes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Community Outreach o Scientific Outlook o Education & Training | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scientific outlook - Education and training (through the special issue which will follow the symposium). | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Concrete outcomes of the action (at least one of which should be material suitable for publication on the euCognition website) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Book of abstracts and papers, which will be available prior to the symposium via the website. This will also be made available to euCognition. - Video of the keynote speakers and pdf file of their presentation, made available on the website after the symposium. - A special issue on Language and Robots in a journal relevant to the field (yet to be identified). - Increased awareness for the participants of relevant work outside their own discipline. - The focus and depth of the symposium should attract a range of excellent researchers, and we aim to make this event a milestone in the research on language and artificial systems. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Effort in person-days that will be charged to the Network Action (if any) | None | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Expected start and duration in months | 10 December 2007, 2 days. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The requested funding, under the following headings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Travel Costs o Other Costs (check with the Network Coordinator if you aren't sure about eligibility of these costs) o Labour Costs (identify the number of person-days and the rate per day). | <p>The requested funding will be used towards reimbursing two invited speakers: Deb Roy (MIT) and Luc Steels (VU Brussels and Sony CSL Paris). In addition a small budget is requested for reproduction costs of the proceedings.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Travel Roy (Boston – Aveiro)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1500 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Travel Steels (Brussels – Aveiro)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">300 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Subsistence Roy (4 nights)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">500 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Subsistence Steels (4 nights)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">500 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reproduction costs</td> <td style="text-align: right;">300 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3100 €</td> </tr> </table> | Travel Roy (Boston – Aveiro) | 1500 € | Travel Steels (Brussels – Aveiro) | 300 € | Subsistence Roy (4 nights) | 500 € | Subsistence Steels (4 nights) | 500 € | Reproduction costs | 300 € | TOTAL | 3100 € |
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| Please identify any other sources of funding that contribute to this Action (actions to support events such as workshop and conferences should include an outline budget identifying the total cost) | Funding will be sought from the Portuguese science funding agency. If successful, this will be used to pay for an additional keynote speaker (Dr. Mike Anderson, University of Maryland). | | | | | | | | | | | | |