Network Action Proposal

Title:	Kazimierz Naturalised Epistemology Workshop
Membership number(s)	173
Member name(s)	Marcin Miłkowski
Member institute/company name(s)	Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences & Center for Philosophical Research, Warsaw
Goals of the action	Bring together philosophers and scientists working on subjects connected mainly with naturalized epistemology and/or cognitive science, information theory and computing, but extending also to philosophy of logic, language and mind; we plan to discuss such problems as symbol grounding. As a result, we expect cross-pollination of ideas between disciplines and researchers from various fields. While the workshop is focused upon naturalized epistemology it is open to discussions of naturalism in general and past papers have discussed naturalized approaches to the philosophies of science, language, mind, logic and law. This year the stress will be upon approaches based on research into artificial cognitive systems or comparing artificial and natural systems. The prospective keynote speakers are Don Favareau (National University of Singapore), Stevan Harnad (University of Quebec at Montreal), Hilary Kornblith (University of Massachusetts Amherst), Ulrich Krohs (University of Hamburg). A special stress will be on the relationship of naturalised epistemology and research on artificial cognitive systems in such areas as: • concepts of functions in artifacts and natural systems (Ulrich Krohs) • referring to artifacts (Hilary Kornblith) • semiotic abilities of machines and living systems (Donald Favareau) • problems of categorisation, sensorimotor bases of symbols, and symbol grounding in artificial intelligence (Stevan Harnad) • mental states of non-human agents and internalism/externalism debate in research on cognitive systems (Hilary Kornblith), and • naturalising logical knowledge for agents (Maria Frappoli).

Principal activity to which it contributes
   o   Community Outreach
   o   Scientific Outlook
   o   Education & Training
	Scientific Outlook

Concrete outcomes of the action (at least one of which should be material suitable for publication on the euCognition website)	• Recording of selected keynote lectures available online • Selected submitted papers and/or extended abstracts
Effort in person-days that will be charged to the Network Action (if any)	-
Expected start and duration in months	1-5 September 2007

The requested funding, under the following headings:
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).
	Travel Costs for two-three keynote speakers (depending on ticket cost) traveling from United States and Canada: 2.000 euros

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)	Registration fees from non-keynote participants, grant from University of Lublin

DETAILED BUDGET

Expenses

4 invited non-Polish speakers, accommodation for 4 nights at 80 €	320 €
Local transportation (minibus)	250 €
Meals and snacks (35 people, 4 days)	600 €
Conference room	100 €
2 trips from US & Canada (700-1000 each)	1400-2000 €
2 trips from Europe (500 each)	1000 €

     TOTAL: 3670-4270 €

Resources

University of Lublin	250 €
Conference fees (15 full fee at 100 €, 15 reduced fee at 50 €)	2250 €
euCogniton (?)	2000 €