

Network Action Proposal

Title:	Summer Institute on Social Cognition
Membership number(s)	240
Member name(s)	Stevan Harnad
Member institute/company name(s)	Université du Québec à Montréal
Goals of the action	<p>To enable the participation of European research scientists and Ph.D. students at the 2008 <i>Minds and Societies</i> Summer Institute on Social Cognition, Université du Québec à Montréal, June 28, 2008 – July 6.</p> <p>The topic of social cognition is to be understood in its psychological and community aspects. The Institute aims at learning and sharing ideas as well as promoting networking for future research and cooperation.</p> <p>The Summer Institute will address four themes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. "Minds in societies: From culture to cognition and back" will consider the link between individual cognition and culture. Is a theory of mind necessary for a culture to appear? What are the cognitive requirements for the diffusion of cultural products ?, etc. 2. "Minds in societies: Affective cognition as social bond" will assess the role of emotions in the constitution and perpetuation of social groups. We will try to understand how others influence the manifestation and perception of emotions, and whether the development of cooperation is a factor in the evolution of certain moral emotions such as guilt or scorn, etc. 3. "Societies of Minds: Social networks and knowledge communities" will focus on cognitive communities. How can the existence of a social network affect the behavior of agents who do not acknowledge its existence? How may the individuals participate in the creation of shared cognitive assets by putting their knowledge together? 4. "Societies of Minds: Multi-agent cognition, collective and distributed" will cover the discussions pertaining to the problematic issue of collective cognition. We will try to understand whether a community of individuals can possess emergent cognitive capacities stemming from the collaboration of the individuals, and why some communities can actually support and even enhance the cognitive capacities of their members while other lead to pathologic forms of cognition. <p>For further details, see : http://www.summer08.isc.uqam.ca</p>
<p>Principal activity to which it contributes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community Outreach ○ Scientific Outlook ○ Education & Training 	<p>Community outreach (by facilitating interaction between European researchers and students and those from the broader international community);</p> <p>Scientific outlook (by exposing those researchers to current leading-edge thinking in the field of social cognition);</p> <p>Education and Training (through participation in the daily tutorial programme).</p>

<p>Concrete outcomes of the action (at least one of which should be material suitable for publication on the euCognition website)</p>	<p>Apart from the intangible but clear benefits of having European researchers and students participating in the event, thereby helping to advance the discipline globally and build international links, this action will also make available the following material for the euCognition website:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - one year after the event, teaching material will be made publicly available, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * lecture slides * lecture notes and prerequisites readings (subject to speaker's agreement) * video footage (if recording is confirmed) - preprints of the "Handbook of social and situated cognition" to follow (subject to each chapter's author's agreement) 																				
<p>Effort in person-days that will be charged to the Network Action (if any)</p>	<p>None.</p>																				
<p>Expected start and duration in months</p>	<p>28th June 2008; 10 days</p>																				
<p>The requested funding, under the following headings:</p> <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). 	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: left;">Travel Costs</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Four (4) researchers & Ph.D. students, estimated at €2000 per person as follows:</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">10 days subsistence @ €150 per day (standard euCognition rate)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1 500 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Airfare and local transport</td> <td style="text-align: right;">600 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sub-total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">8 400 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: left;">Other Costs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Registration fee for 2 researchers:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1 800 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Registration fee for 2 Ph.D. students:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">700 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sub-total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2 500 €</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Costs</td> <td style="text-align: right;">11 200 €</td> </tr> </table>	Travel Costs		Four (4) researchers & Ph.D. students, estimated at €2000 per person as follows:		10 days subsistence @ €150 per day (standard euCognition rate)	1 500 €	Airfare and local transport	600 €	Sub-total	8 400 €	Other Costs		Registration fee for 2 researchers:	1 800 €	Registration fee for 2 Ph.D. students:	700 €	Sub-total	2 500 €	Total Costs	11 200 €
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<p>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)</p>	<p>The Summer Institute is being sponsored by:</p> <p>Institut des sciences cognitives Faculté des Sciences Humaines Faculté des Sciences Various departments</p> <p>Most of our budget expenses is to accomodate our fifty invited speakers (est. 100k CAN\$), and most of our revenues is to come from registrations. Detailed budget attached.</p>																				
<p>Workshops: <i>official euCognition event</i> (yes/no & maximum number of members that can be accommodated)</p>	<p>No. Expected 130 – 160 participants plus 50 speakers</p>																				

Budget prévisionnel

	nombre	prix unitaire	Prix total	Remarques
Dépenses				
Conférenciers				
Hébergement, repas	50	700	35 000	
Transport	50	1 200	60 000	
Papetterie				
reprographie - affiches	1	1 200	1 200	(impression + infographie)
Reprographie - photocopies	1	1 500	1 500	
Courrier	1	300	300	
Reservation salles				
Réservation salles	1	0	0	
Pauses				
Nourriture - materiel	24	300	7 200	(base 200 personnes)
Buffet	2	3 700	7 400	(base 200 personnes)
Site Web				
Hébergement	1	0	0	
Salaires (h)	160	15	2 400	
Dégrèvements				
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Support à la communauté				
Bourses aux étudiants	4	800	3 200	
Handbook				
Frais de "Copy editing"	160	15	2 400	
Marge de manoeuvre (20%)			25 320	
Total dépenses			151 920	

Revenus

Inscriptions

Etudiants - Qc.	65	600	39 000	Estimation / inscriptions 2003
Etudiants - hors Qc.	45	850	38 250	Estimation / inscriptions 2003
Professionnels	30	1 500	45 000	Estimation / inscriptions 2003

Subventions

UQAM	1	5 000	5 000	TBC
Facultés (UQAM)	1	6 000	6 000	TBC
Départements (UQAM)	1	5 000	5 000	1200 obtenus + reste TBC
Groupes de recherche (Montréal)	1	2 000	2 000	TBC
CRSH	1	24 000	24 000	Demande de subvention - Mai
IRSC	1	3 000	3 000	Demande de subvention

Total revenus	167 250
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Grand total	15 330
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