– Minutes –
Coordination Council Meeting 19.03.14
Bochum
9:00–13:00

– Minutes approved by CC online voting 08.05.2014 –

Present: Schöner, Chrisley, Ziemke, Gomila, Sandamirskaya, Vincze + da Costa, Grinschpun
Excused: Pfeifer, Andringa, Engel, Vernon

Agenda
   1   Last Members' Meeting 2014 (Genoa 17–18.10.14)
   2   CC meeting summer?
   3   Industry Days + ERF participation
   4   Costs for 'communication' (Grinschpun), journalists at meetings, etc.
   5   2nd Munich Message Meeting?
   6   Geographical bridging
   7   PM re-allocation
   8   Miscellanea

Issues from previous CC 6 (Brighton): Items 1 and 3.

NB: The 'Time Frame' noted below is always indicative. No actual decisions on time frames were taken in the meeting.

0
Non-Agenda Items
0.1 Discussion: Details of Bochum Members' Meeting; Review Meeting

0.2 Discussion: AICoR topics group in the PPP
Decision: EUCog financially supports the AICoR workshop at the 2014
European Robotics Forum: Attendance by Vernon & Müller (subject to approval by the project officer)
Next Step: Ask the PO for approval
Responsible: Müller
Time Frame: 2 weeks
[Done, approved]

Decision: More leading involvement of EUCog in AICoR 'working group'.
Volunteers: Vincze (for vice-chair), Müller, Schöner, Ziemke, Engel [via mail]
Next Step: Ask Vernon and Saffiotti for best way
Responsible: Müller, Vincze
Time Frame: 2 weeks
[Done, Vernon declines, Saffiotti welcomes more involvement but details unclear, 2 reminders sent, website support offered]

1
2014 Genoa Meeting
Discussion: General outline of the meeting, future of EUCog
Decision:
– We will present (again) a message for constituencies (robotics, cogsci, AI, autonomous vehicles, …)
– Meeting focus on 'push' from CogSys research and 'pull' from industry/ academic needs
– One key aspect: Future of EUCog network
– Ideas to pursue: cogsys award, alumnus network, junior faculty network, …
– Possible people to invite
Next Step: Write concept
Responsible: Müller
Time Frame: 4 weeks
[outstanding]

Further Steps and Decisions: Next CC Meeting

2
CC Meeting in the Summer?
Decision: CC 16.5.14 in Thessaloniki (start morning, end afternoon)
Next Step: Local organisation & Agenda
Responsible: Müller, Gantinas
Time Frame: 4–6 weeks
[outstanding]

3
Industry Days + ERF participation
Discussion: Autonomous/automated Vehicles event, focus, prospects
Decision: Event Sept./Oct., Munich airport
Responsible: Ziemke (logistic support, EUCog Coordination Office)
Next Step: Set date, write concept
Responsible: Ziemke
Time Frame: 4 weeks
[outstanding]

(For ERF, see 0.2 above.)

4
Costs for 'communication'
Discussion: Generally very positive about communication work
Decision: Maintain funding at present level for Grinschpun (as subcontracting), increase cooperation with CC, provide reports for CC
Next Step: Apply for aproval with PO
Responsible: Müller
Time Frame: 4 weeks

[Done, late]

Decision: Continue inviting selected journalists to events
Next Step: Inform Gantinas
Responsible: Müller
Time Frame: 2 weeks
[Done]

Next Step: Supervise Grinschpun
Responsible: Gomila
Time Frame: Ongoing

Next Step: Provide monthly report
Responsible: Grinschpun
Time Frame: monthly

Next Step: Provide input for next CC meeting (including results form the Luxembourg meeting)
Responsible: Grinschpun
Time Frame: 16.5.14

Next Step: Provide report with material on questionnaire for 'stories'
Responsible: Labhart
Time Frame: asap + at CC Meeting in May

5
2nd Munich Message Meeting?
Decision: No such meeting for the time being but offer members space for contributions
Next Step: review decision in next CC meeting
Responsible: Müller
Time Frame: next CC meeting

6
Geographical bridging
Decision: Wait for response in review process
Next Step: Depending on response
Responsible: Müller
[Reviewers stressed low importance of this activity. No further actions.]

7
PM re-allocation
Discussion: The DOW foresees review and re-distribution of PM allocation
Decision: Start review process, do not take personnel costs for granted
Next Step: Send call for use of PM, then review and vote
Responsible: Müller
Time Frame: 4 weeks

[Outstanding]

8
Miscellanea
8.1 The CC is informed that our IT coordinator, Dr Ilias Nitsos now has an appointment as Assistant Professor at the Technical University of Thessaloniki. He will continue to work for EUCog on a subcontracting basis. The necessary funds for this had already been foreseen in the DOW. We will need less than half of these for Nitsos.
8.2 Discussion: Should we have online CC meetings?
Decision: No.
8.3 Discussion: Plans for EUCog beyond EUCogIII project?
Decision: Concrete proposals at the CC Meeting in May
Next Step: Scenaria for CC meeting, communication with EC unit
Responsible: Müller
Time Frame: 16.5.14

— meeting adjourned —