

EUCogII Coordination Council Meeting

11.10.2009

9-10:30

Hamburg

UKE

Minutes

Present: Beuls (for Steels), Chrisley, Engels, Gomila, Hoffmann (for Pfeifer), Müller, Schöner,
Absent: Andringa, Ziemke

Minutes kept by: Müller

I) Management

- Online voting process (membership, funding). Any lessons?
 - membership applications
 - no serious disagreements surface
 - we should have a statistics about voting on membership applications
 - more female members
 - voting system on funding seems to work OK
 - outcome should be fixed budgets (both in terms of numbers of people supported and in terms of amount)
 - exception: coverage for network members to attend. This type of funding should have a high threshold
 - meetings should be open to european participation, not national events
- Further forms of communication within partners and in network?
 - no further 'official' forms needed (e.g. telephone conferences)
 - more ad hoc communication (e.g. Skype), more consultations, esp. in work packages
 - feedback from members after Hamburg meeting -> questionnaire

II) Future Meetings

- Plans for summer schools 2010?
 - machine consciousness?
 - workshop in Thessaloniki?
 - Schöner robot training in 2011
 - more work on 'education'
- Meeting II 29.1.2010, Zürich (CogSys 27-28.1.2010) - approved
 - "Development of Cognition in Artificial Agents"
 - possible speakers were discussed [not published here], wide coverage from neuro/psych/robotics
 - format of speakers + workshops seems good, but await questionnaire
- Meeting III Fall 2010 Mallorca (Gomila) is in the works
- Further sequence: Porto/Groningen/Thessaloniki, ... (5 meetings in all)

III) Work Packages Education/Challenges/State of the Art

- Work to be taken care of by each responsible partner. Online meetings probably fruitful, at least for 'education' and 'state of the art'.

Meeting adjourned

Minutes Approved: 31.10.2009 (Online voting system)