EUCogII Coordination Council Meeting
11.04.2011
10:00-13:30
Thessaloniki
(Anatolia College, ACT 'New Building', Conference Room)

– Minutes approved May 4th, 2011 (online voting ID 81) –

Agenda

1. Pre-Review Discussion
- Budget overview
    - projected underspending overall
    - issue of payments after 31.1.12 to be clarified with EC
- Brief report European Robotics Forum
    - Continued involvement with Euron. More activity at ICRA and possibly IROS
    - Publication ideas for 'challenges': book project, journal issue, joint paper(s)
- Other review issues
- Personnel funds from 'pool'
    - We will have another round of applications and decision in due course
      (probably in May)

2. WP 1-3 Brief Look at Plans
- State of the Art
    - link to event on writing, for PhD thesis writers
    - possible other meetings
    - more detailed planning from Sussex & Skövde
- Challenges
    - see above under 'European Robotics Forum'
- Education
    - increased efforts, esp. with more participants at Bochum and
        Groningen organized events. Several funding applications pending

3. Members' Meetings
- Groningen, 10-11.10.2011
    - Discussion about content and possible speakers
    - Relate "Autonomous activity in real-world environments" to cognitive systems
        ('higher level'?)
    - Further concrete organizational steps will be made now
    - one-paragraph description pending
  - Vienna, (22)23-24.2.2012
        - EUCogIII @ CogSys 2012
            - theme needs to be decided (biology?)
            - Basic plan: Day 1 plenary, Day 2 plenary + 5 rooms
            - 'bridges' sample: robotics
    - new Coordination Council meeting 28.11.11 in Zurich (AI Lab)

4. Network Actions
– Decision on "Yes partially" for Sumioka/Pfeifer: 2nd international conference on
morphological computation (ICMC2011) (id: 75) – budget situation there? Original
application for 17.210E
    – We agreed to sponsor with 10.000E + 5 scholarships for EUCogII members (travel,
accommodation, fees)

– SE-029 2011 Neuronal Dynamics Approach to Cognitive Robotics II --- a Hands-on
summer school"

– we approved 12 students (as applied), there is a request whether we can do 24 students out of which 20 will be Europeans, i.e. EUCogII supported. This request was agreed.
– "Auditory Cognition – Listening in the Real World" Tjeerd Andinga – this has already been approved fully. Tjeerd agreed to submit a revised proposal.

5. Miscellanea
– Attendance of project partners (esp. coordinator) of network actions:
– The Coordination Council encourages its members to attend EUCogII network action events, for quality control and networking. To ensure suitable representation, intentions to attend network actions shall be communicated to the Coordinator in due time.

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