

Minutes of RTA Business Meeting Edinburgh, Juli 13, 2010

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Notes: Joachim Niehren
Voting: Jürgen Giesl
Albert Rubio

1 Conference Organization

1.1 RTA 2010

Report of PC Chair: Chris Lynch

18 PC members

PC members can submit except for chair

use easychair system

each paper got assigned to 3 PC members

some conditionally accepted papers

some statistics:

- 46 research papers submitted, 23 accepted
- 2 systems descriptions submitted, 3 accepted (1 paper downgraded)
- 4/7 papers of PC members submissions accepted

best contribution award: Patrick Bahr

special issue LMCS

Report of Conference Chair: Fairouz Kamareddine

number of attendants 79

statistics on the FLOC Web page

1.2 RTA 2011

Report of PC Chair: Manfred Schmidt-Schauß

please submit

PC under construction

PC members will be allowed to submit

Report of Conference Chair: Silvia Ghilezan

location : Novi Sad, Serbia

joint with TLCA (Lug Ong)

dates: May 29 - June 3

travel: via Belgrad airport

1.3 RTA 2012

PC chair: Ashish Tiwari

confirmed with 63 votes

Hosting

Two hosting candidates were presented in detail:

1. Nagoya (elected)

organiser: Masahiko Sakai

about the city: about 35 minutes to Kyoto, 100 minutes to Tokio,
2.2 million inhabitants, has international airport

dates: during May 21 - Juni 9

registration frees: 220 Euro

2. Beijing

organizers: Frédéric Blanqui, Jean-Pierre Jouannaud, Jean-François
Monin

location: LIAMA of INRIA and CNRS, Tsinghua University

dates: May or June

registration fees: 200 Euro

There were two voting rounds, since the first did lead to the same number of votes for both candidates. Finally Nagoya was selected.

	first round	second round
Nagoya	33	31
Beijing	33	29

2 Steering Committee Election

There were 3 open positions and 5 candidates. The votes yielded the following result:

Frédéric Blanqui	36	elected
Salavador Lucas	45	elected
Masahiko Sakai	40	elected
Peter Schneider-Kamp	25	
Hans Zantema	35	

3 Discussions

FLOC participation

Report by RTA's of FLOC representative: Jürgen Giesl

- FLOC complains that RTA is too small and encourages joining with TLCA or IJCAR?

Discussion

- are subscriptions counted correctly?
- many RTA people subscribed to LICS this year
- TLCA need not to be favorable
- rôle of RTA within FLOC should be clarified
- fair costs must be ensured

No decisions

RTA list of open problem

Report by Ralf Treinen

- not much activity during 2008-10
- any proposal for improvement?

LIPICs Publication

RTA representation at LIPICs editorial board: Deepak Kapur

- statement letter read

Comments by PC chair 2010: Chris Lynch

- not much difference between LIPICs and LNCS
- even number of pages required by LIPICs
- steering committee might think about another style file
- paper were 16 pages this year but could be longer
- next year fees will be 15 Euro per paper

Printed Proceedings

- Voting: Should next RTA will provide printed proceedings as an option for purchase by participants and libraries?

yes	large majority
no	1
abstentions	8

Conference Rankings

- RTA is no more listed in the CORE ranking since december 2009.
- This raises serious problems to many RTA members.
- The steering committee should figure out why.

Archives:

- Will there be any permanent archive provided by LIPICs?

Alternative publishers?

- what is relationship between number of submissions and the change from LNCS to LIPIcs?
 - * for STACS the numbers didn't go down.
 - * why did LPAR move back to LNCS subseries ARCoSS ?
- will LIPIcs ensure higher quality standards?
 - * maybe yes
 - * but LIPIcs published short papers of ICLP'10