Minutes of RTA Business Meeting
Edinburgh, Juli 13, 2010

Moderation: Johannes Waldmann
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 fees: 220 Euro

2. Beijing

organizers: Frédéric Blanqui, Jean-Pierre Jouannaud, Jean-François Monin
2 Steering Committee Election

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

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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?

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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