# Technical Committee on Entertainment Computing (TC14)

**Minutes on meeting held on September 22nd, 2006**
**Microsoft Research Cambridge, Cambridge, UK**
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## List of Participants:

### Present:

**TC Officers:**

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| TC14 chair | Prof. Ryohei Nakatsu, Kwansei Gakuin University, Japan |
| TC14 vice chair | Prof. Matthias Rauterberg, Eindhoven University of Technology, Netherlands |

**National Representatives**

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| China | Prof. Lizhuang Ma (representing Zhigeng Pan) |
| Czech Rep. | Dr. David Obdrzalek |
| Italy | Prof. Paolo Ciancarini, University of Bologna |
| Korea | Dr. Woontack Woo (representing Hyun S. Yang) |
| Japan | Prof. Ryohei Nakatsu, Kwansei Gakuin University |
| Spain | Prof. Pedro Gonzalez-Calero, Complutense University of Madrid |
| The Netherlands | Prof. Matthias Rauterberg, Eindhoven University of Technology |
| United Kingdom | Prof. Marc Cavazza, University of Teesside |
| US-ACM | Charles Palmer (representing Donald Marinelli) |

**WG Chairs**

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| WG 14.1 chair | Prof. Marc Cavazza, University of Teesside |
| WG 14.2 chair | Prof. Ryohei Nakatsu, Kwansei Gakuin University (representing Hitoshi Matsubara) |
| WG 14.3 chair | Prof. Matthias Rauterberg Eindhoven University of Technology, |
| WG 14.4 chair | Dr. Jos Uiterwijk (representing Jaap van den Herik) |
| WG 14.5 chair | Prof. Andrew Sloane |

**Observers**

Dr. Claudio Pinhanez, IBM Research, T.J. Watson (proposed temporary TC 14 secretary)
Dr. Lyn Pemberton (proposed chair of new WG 14.6)
Prof. Naoko Tosa, Kyoto University (proposed chair of new WG 14.7)
Marco Combetto, Microsoft Research (ICEC'06 chair)
Prof. Lizhuang Ma (ICEC'07 chair)
A. Melzer (guest, member WG 14.4)
Melissa Fearon (guest, Springer Publications)
T. Kondo (guest)

### Absent:

**TC Officers**

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| TC14 Secretary | Dr. Benjamin Salem, Kwansei University |

**National Representatives**

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| Australia | Prof. Peter Purgathofer |
| Bulgaria | Prof. Galia Angelova, Bulgaria Academy of Sciences |
| Canada | Prof. Sidney Fels, University of British Columbia |
| Finland | Dr. Ville-Veiko Mattila, Nokia Research Center |
| France | Dr. Bruno Arnaldi, IRISA-INRIA |
| Hungary | Dr. Barnabas Takacs, Hungarian Academy of Sciences |
| Ireland | Prof. Richard Reilly (University College of Dublin) |
| Norway | Dr. Geir Egil Myhre, University of Troms |
| Portugal | Prof. Nuno Correia, New University of Lisbon |
| Singapore | Prof. Adrian David Cheok, National University of Singapore |
| Thailand | Dr. Natanicha Chorpothong, Internet Association |
| Zambia | Milner Makuni |

# Minutes of the Meeting

**1.  Meeting Agenda**
1.1.  Each attendant introduced itself.
1.2   Meeting agenda, proposed by TC chair Ryohei Nakatsu, was approved with one addition:
   - Item 10.3 "IFIP- WCC, September 7-10, 2008 in Italy" was added.

**2.  Approval of Last SG16 Meeting Minutes**
2.1.  The minutes of the SG16 meeting held on June 16$^{th}$, 2006 at the Hotel Bel Age, Hollywood, California, USA, were approved.
2.2   The name of Prof. Natkin (misspelled as Prof. Nantkin) was corrected.

**3.  Report on SG16 to TC14**
3.1.  Ryohei Nakatsu reported about the IFIP General Assembly meeting in 2006 and the upgrade of SG16 to TC14. Ryohei Nakatsu also reported that his name was approved by the General Assembly as TC14 chair.

**4.  Election of TC Officers**
4.1.  Ryohei Nakatsu nominated Matthias Rauterberg to be TC14 vice-chair, Claudio Pinhanez as Industrial Liaison Officer and  Benjamin Salem as TC14 secretaries.
4.2   All TC14 members present in the meeting supported the nominations by acclamation.

**5.  Work Groups Activities**
5.1.  Report of past and current activities of each WG:
   - WG 14.1, Digital Storytelling: Marc Cavazza reported that WG is not very active and trying to expand membership before holding elections for vice-chair and secretary.
   - WG 14.2, Entertainment Robotics: Ryohei Nakatsu (representing Hitoshi Matsubara) reported on planned connection to RoboCup, an event that attracts more than 10,000 people. Ryohei Nakatsu reported that Hitoshi Matsubara wants to get approval from RoboCup organization to have IFIP TC14 to become a sponsor of RoboCup. Also, WG 14.2 is trying to recruit more members before holding elections for vice-chair and secretary.
   - WG 14.3, Entertainment Theory: Matthias Rauterberg reported that WG 14.3 is trying to recruit more members before holding elections for vice-chair and secretary.

- WG 14.4, Entertainment and Games: Jos Uiterwijk (representing Jaap van den Herik) reported that the WG has been only active for few weeks. The WG is putting together a new website and recruiting more members.
- WG 14.5, Social and Ethical Issues: Andrew Sloane reported on joint activity with WG 9.3 (Home Oriented Informatics and Telematics) and the increasing relations with WG 9.3. Andrew Sloane also reported on a session held at TOY'05 conference and a workshop in planning.

5.2. Proposal for WG 14.6, Interactive TV, was approved by all present, and will be forwarded to IFIP TA for approval. L Pemberton is elected to be chair of WG 14.6 by all present.
- L Pemberton described the plans of WG 14.6, including running the Euro ITV'06 workshop in Athens.

5.3. Proposal for WG 14.7, Art and Entertainment, was approved by all present, and will be forwarded to IFIP TA for approval. Naoko Tosa is elected to be chair of WG 14.7 by all present.
- Naoko Tosa described the plans of WG 14.7, including exhibitions at IECE'06 and ACE'06.

## 6. ICEC'06

6.1. Marco Combetto reported on the final results of ICEC'06: 105 participants, 96 paper submissions, 17 submissions accepted as full papers, 17 accepted as short papers, and 39 posters.

6.2 TC14 and all members expressed appreciation about the smooth and successful organization of ICEC'06 and, in particular, of Marco Combetto's efforts, by applause.

## 7. ICEC'07

7.1. Lizhuang Ma reported on the current plans for ICEC'07, to be held on September 20-22, 2007 in Shanghai, China.

7.2 Claudio Pinhanez suggested that all WGs should be encouraged to organized workshops in conjunction with ICEC'07 to booster membership and organization. Lizhuang Ma agreed to plan for an extra day for workshops.

## 8. ICEC'08

8.1. A proposal from Suzanne de Castell, Simon Fraser University, to held ICEC'08 in Vancouver, Canada, was presented. The authors of the proposal were not present to answer questions from the TC14.

8.2 A proposal by University of Southern California, Los Angeles was withdraw. The TC14 acknowledged the withdraw of this proposal.

8.3 Matthias Rauterberg was tasked to contact the authors of the proposal to held ICEC'08 in Canada to clarify the proposal.

8.4 Matthias Rauterberg was tasked to encourage Carnegie-Mellon University to submit a proposal before next business meeting.

8.5 Due to the lack of decision on ICEC'08 organization, Matthias Rauterberg proposed a TC14 business meeting to be held early in 2007, possibly through a conference call.

## 9. Journal on Entertainment Computing

9.1. Melissa Fearon informed about the process used by Springer to create a new journal, and that the next planned step is to send a survey to related researchers. This survey is expected to start two weeks after this meeting.

9.2 Melissa Fearon informed that if the publication was approved by Springer, the first issue will be available between January and July of 2008.

**10.    Other Issues**
10.1  Ryohei Nakatsu is asked to coordinate efforts to organize a special section at the WCC'08, to be held on September 7-10, 2008, to report on the activities of ICEC'07.