IFIP TC14-Entertainment Computing

Minutes of the meeting held 15th June 2007, at the ICT&S, Salzburg University, Salzburg, Austria, in conjunction with the ACE conference.

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WG14.5: Andy SLOANE
WG14.6: Marianna OBRIST (Proxy for Lyn PEMBERTON)
WG14.7: Ryohei NAKATSU (Proxy for Naoko TOSA)

Guest:
Manfred TSCHELIGI (Salzburg University)

MINUTES:

Chair: Welcome address, this is our second meeting as a TC, and there have been important progresses to reach this stage.

1. Approval of this agenda
Meeting agenda proposed by secretary was approved without additions

2. Approval of last TC14 meeting minutes (22nd September 2006, Cambridge, UK)
The minutes of last TC14 meeting held on 22nd September 2006 in Cambridge UK, were approved. Some modifications (spelling mistakes) were proposed by Andy SLOANE and approved.

3. Working Groups Activities reports
    a. Presented by each WG chairs or proxies
WG14.3: Matthias RAUTBERG
In talks with members of the WG to organise a workshop, and I am waiting for their reactions. There was also outsider requests to organise workshop and members of the WG were asked to join the organisation. (name of individuals requested by secretary and to be given at a later time).
Two events are ongoing, one is DESFORM and the other is SensAmI. There two events are the result of personal contacts. Last SensAmI had around 200 students,

and PHILIPS staff and academia presenters. Next DESFORM is to be held in November 2007 in Newcastle, England.

When asked by Chair, Matthias revealed there are around 10 members to this working group. Further discussion went on about website and the fact that some WG do not have a website. Matthias pointed out that he had offer to host such website. The discussion was then moved to point 8 of this agenda.

WG14.4

It is a static website. Nahum Gershon has suggested to connect this working group with IEEE gaming group.

WG14.5 Andy SLOANE

A very short report. The membership is now on the website and we have a vice chair for the WG, Lyn Bayley (spelling). Our Working group has it first panel during ACE conference this morning. Our panel was our main activity this year. We have some plan for a workshop next year, probably a 2 days event. Website should be updated soon.

WG14.6 Marianna OBRIST

(see annex for her presentation)

WG14.7 Ryohei NAKATSU

In this working group we have asked more than 10 people to join. This is an international WG. As for our activities we are starting with a workshop this autumn. It will be an art show and a workshop, to be held in Kyoto some time in October. It will be a combination of art show and paper presentations. As we want to put emphasis on quality art exhibition, we are looking for a sponsor to the event. There is also the update of the website that will be done soon.

4. **Some explanations of the Statutes & Bylaws**
   a. **Sponsorship and endorsement of events**

It was agreed that in fact IFIP endorse events rather than sponsor them as this later is perceived as equivalent to financial support. Also some simple clarification could be added to the TC14 website so as to avoid confusion. Furthermore, some guidelines could also be included to assist potential event organisers.

Discussion went on about publication of proceedings and as it was moving from the agenda we came back to the topics to be addressed.

   b. **Requirements for WG**

It has been proposed that there should be a minimum WG activity. Secretary to prepare a proposal. It should be in the lines of a website, a member list and one annual event. There should be a review process for the WG, with a clear mechanism for dealing with lack of activities. Assessment should be August to August in line with the anniversary of the TC14.

5. **Preparation of ICEC2007**

Issues were raised by chair and secretary who met Lizhuang MA in Beijing. There is a need to clarify both the budget and the review process. Secretary instructed to email MA and find out what is the current situation.

6. **Selection of ICEC2008**
   a. **Candidacy by CMU – presented by secretary on behalf of Charles PALMER**

Actions needed: Check if proposed dates clash with another conference, submission deadlines too close to CHI, clarification of the role of each member of the organising committee is needed.

   b. **Candidacy by USC – Not Received**

So it has been agreed that 2008 will be held in Pittsburgh and organised by ETC/CMU.
For ICEC2009 it has been proposed to merge it with ACE2009 and hold it possibly in Athens. Discussions to continue until next TC14 meeting.

7. Setting up of a steering committee for ICEC
An ongoing issue, the secretary has been asked to make some proposals such as:
A more active steering committee, a permanent organising committee which cooperate with a local committee, last year organisers involved in this year conference, some guidelines about the organisation of ICEC…

8. Internet presence (website, mailing list).
Each WG to arrange for their own website. TC14 to add emails notification when site is updated.

9. Any Other Business
Journal on Entertainment Computing. This is a long and ongoing story. Vice Chair mandated by TC14 to negotiate with Springer. Either an interesting contract without personal financial liability to the Chair and Vice Chair, or it has been suggested that we adopt an online publication as an initial phase.

Meeting was ended with a final address from the TC14 Chair.