ACP General Assembly

CP 2015
Agenda

❖ ACP Executive Committee
❖ ACP Awards
❖ Summer School ‘2015
❖ Treasurer’s report
❖ President’s report
Membership

- Are you an ACP member?
- Currently 269 registered members!
- Compared to last year’s 294 count
- Register at http://www.a4cp.org/ (not automatic!)
- Renew membership now for 2015!
ACP Executive Committee

❖ Team as of January 1st 2015

❖ Alan Frisch 2018
❖ Pierre Flener (Conference Coordinator) 2016
❖ Christophe Lecoutre (Treasurer) 2018
❖ Nina Narodytska 2018
❖ Laurent Michel (President) 2018
❖ Helmut Simonis (Past President, non-voting)
❖ Guido Tack 2016
❖ Willem-Jan van Hoeve (Secretary) 2016

Next elections in 2016
Research Excellence Award

❖ Selection Committee
❖ Jean-Charles Régis
❖ Alan McWorth
❖ Gilles Pesant
❖ Willem van Hoeve
❖ Laurent Michel
❖ Awardee nominated by C. Bessiere
❖ Award to be presented tomorrow
Doctoral Thesis Award

❖ Selection committee
  ❖ Emmanuel Hebrard
  ❖ Nina Narodytska [Chair]
  ❖ Christian Schulte
  ❖ Peter van Beek

❖ Two Awards
  ❖ “Efficient Algorithms for Strong Local Consistencies and Adaptive Techniques in Constraint Satisfaction Problems”, Anastasia Paparrizou
  ❖ “Exploitation de structures de graphe en programmation par contraintes”, Jean-Guillaume Fages
ACP Summer School’2015

• Venue
  • U. of Toronto, Scarborough

• Dates
  • July 8 - 11, 2015 (before ISMP)

• Chairs
  • Andre Ciré and David Bergman

• Topic
  • *New Frontiers in Constraint Programming*

• Participation
  • Speakers: C. Beck, C-G. Quimper, W-J van Hoeve, P. Van Hentenryck, P. Vilim
  • Attendees: 17 students, 1 post-doc.
Summer School ‘16

- Start making plans if you wish to bid
- Start early
- Advertise widely
- Think of a compelling topic
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We take donations: http://a4cp.org/sponsorships-donations
CP’2016

- Program Chair
  - Michel Rueher
- Conference Chair
  - Thomas Schiex
- Location
  - Toulouse, France
CP’2017

- Program Chair
  - To be selected
- Conference Chairs
  - Guido Tack, Peter Stuckey
- Location
  - Melbourne, Australia
- Co-located with IJCAI’17
No firm plans yet
- Possibly another co-location with AI conferences
- Plans under discussion
- Stay tuned for details
- Do consider sending a bid!
The Constraint Journal

Michela Milano

Constraint’s Editor in Chief
ACP’s Stability

Strategic Committee Report in 2014

- Actions from EC at two levels
  - Operational
  - Strategic
Operational actions

❖ Since Jan 1, 2015
❖ Moved to a “2-year planning window” for the conference
❖ Guidelines for future PC chairs [for consistency over time]
❖ Increasing interactions ACP / PC Chairs for 2016 onward [new initiatives associated to the conference]
❖ Supportive of fast track CPAIOR and CP [paper pool]
Strategic actions I

- New initiative
  - EC is building a pool of papers
    - From awards and best papers @ CP & CPAIOR
  - EC is planning to support authors from that pool to “evangelize” at relevant conference
- Impact on our finances can be controlled
Strategic actions II

❖ New initiative
❖ Support building quality educational material
❖ For online consumption & local courses
❖ Will be issuing call for proposal
❖ Will form a committee for evaluation & selection
❖ Impact on our finances potentially larger
Strategic actions III

- New initiative
  - Workshop incubator
  - Meant to investigate new directions for CP
  - Fundamentally sponsorship for new workshops only
  - Impact on our finances can be controlled