
Association for Constraint Programming: annual report Sept. 2006 – Sept. 2007

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President of the ACP

Summary

- Report on 2006-2007 activities
 - Plan for next year
 - Presentation/discussion on new bylaws
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Members of the ACP EC (2006-2007)

- F. Benhamou (CP 2006 p. chair: 2006-2008)
 - N. Jussien (CP 2006 c. chair: 2006-2008)
 - J. Larrosa (CP 2005 c. chair: 2005-2007)
 - J. Lee (elected: 2006-2009)
 - P. Meseguer (CP 2005 c. chair: 2005-2007)
 - M. Milano (elected: 2004-2007)
 - B. O'Sullivan (elected: 2005-2008)
 - J.C. Regin (elected: 2006-2009)
 - F. Rossi (elected: 2005-2008)
 - C. Schulte (elected: 2006-2009)
 - M. Trick (elected: 2006-2009)
 - P. Van Beek (CP 2005 p. chair: 2005-2007)
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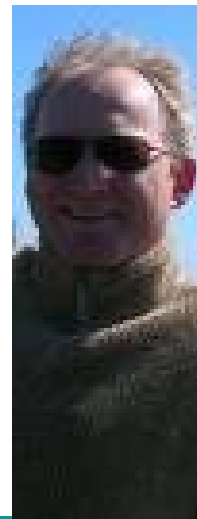
Structure (2006-2007)

- President: Francesca Rossi
 - Vice-president: Peter Van Beek
 - Secretary: Pedro Mesequer
 - Treasurer: Christian Bessiere
 - Conference coordinator: Barry O'Sullivan

 - Appointed in October 2007 for 1 year
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Decisions for CP 2008

- Chosen bid: Sydney, Australia
- Period: September 2008
- Colocated with ICAPS, KR, NMR
- Conference chair: Toby Walsh
- Program chair: Peter Stuckey



2007 CP summer school

- ❑ Subject: general
- ❑ Location: Lloret de Mar, Spain
- ❑ Period: June 18-23, 2007
- ❑ Chairs: J. Larrosa, P. Meseguer
- ❑ 31 students
- ❑ 6 lecturers
- ❑ Lecture notes and video recording on the web site



Feedback on doctoral program

- Questionnaire for students and organizers
 - Thanks to:
 - Zeynep Kiziltan: organized the questionnaire and prepared a report
 - Emma Rollon: built the web site
 - Report will be put on the ACP web site
 - Guidelines for future DP organizers
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2007 ACP research award

- Recipient: Rina Dechter
- Award committee:
 - C. Bessiere, E. Freuder, P. Meseguer, F. Rossi, P. Van Hentenryck



Support to other events

- 1000 euros to CSCLP 2007
 - annual ERCIM workshop on constraint solving and constraint logic programming, colocated with the French speaking days on Constraint Programming (JFPC'07), June 7-8, 2007, INRIA Roquencourt, France
 - 2000 euros to CP-AI-OR 2007
 - 4th international conference on integration of AI and OR techniques in CP for combinatorial optimization problems, May 23-26, 2007, Brussels, Belgium
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Call for bids for 2008 CP summer school

- Open call
 - Call ends on October 31, 2007
 - Previous schools
 - 2005: Italy -- general
 - 2006: Greece – global constraints
 - 2007: Spain -- general
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New award

- Besides the
 - Research award
 - Best paper award
 - Best student paper award
 - The EC has decided to also have an ACP best Ph.D. thesis award
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Proposal for new bylaws

- The EC discussed at length new bylaws for the ACP
 - Main goals:
 - All-elected EC
 - Annual membership
 - More power to the general assembly
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Finances



- On Sept. 15, 2006: 70,239 euros
- Money in:
 - Account interests 2006: 1,511 euros
 - CP 2006 loan back (5,000 euros) + profit (3,466 euros): 8,466 euros
- Money out:
 - ACP EC dinner at CP 2006: 329 euros
 - 2007 summer school: 3,700 euros
 - CP 2007 seed money: 13,500 euros
 - CP 2007 doctoral program: 10,000 euros
 - Support to CP-AI-OR 2007: 2,000 euros
 - ERCIM workshop on constraints: 1,000 euros
 - Bank transfers: 42 euros
 - Account fees: 11 euros
- Currently: 49,635 euros

ACP EC elections (Aug. - Sept. 2007)

- Ending their term at CP 2007:
 - P. Van Beek, J. Larrosa, P. Meseguer, M. Milano
 - THANKS!
- Two open positions
- 145 people voted
- Elected:
 - P. Meseguer, T. Schiex
 - CONGRATULATIONS!
- Some resignations in September 2007
 - J.C. Regin
 - F. Benhamou
 - N. Jussien



ACP EC (2007-2008)

- C. Bessiere (p. chair CP 2007: 2007-2009)
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Plans for 2007-2008

- New appointments within EC: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, conference coordinator
 - Decision for 2008 CP summer school: Nov. 2007
 - Call for bids for CP 2009: October-Dec. 2007
 - 2008 ACP best thesis award: procedures + first edition
 - 2008 ACP research award
 - Support to
 - Summer school
 - Doctoral program
 - CP-related events
 - Implementation of new bylaws
 - Policies and procedures
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Proposal for new bylaws

- Main points will be described by Mike Trick

