

**Minutes of the General Assembly**  
**August 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> 2007, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**

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## **1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

IFIP General Assembly Aug 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> 2007, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

### *Restructuring EB and Council*

General Assembly approved the proposal to restructure the Executive Board and also IFIP's Council, which includes dedicated portfolios to Vice Presidents and Councillors (replacing Trustees).

### *IFIP Strategy*

General Assembly accepted the new strategy document with its strategic aims and objectives. The next step will be to look for IFIP volunteers to take over and drive the proposed projects as consequence of the objectives.

### *Elections*

Mr Gerald Engel (USA-IEEE) and Mr Strous (Netherlands) have been elected for their first term as Vice Presidents.

Mr Roger Johnson (UK) has been reelected as Secretary and Mr Chris Avram (Australia) has been elected as Treasurer-Elect.

Ms Chrisanthi Avgerou (TC9), Messrs Mike Hinchey (TC1), Raymond Morel (Switzerland), Ramon Puigjaner (Spain) and Lalit Sawhney (India) have been elected as Councillors.

### *Finance*

The Treasurer reported a larger than expected surplus of €117K (including €112K from Return on Assets). General Assembly approved the adjustment of annual fees according to the UNESCO scale for some societies. GA approved adjustments for 2007 and 2008 budget regarding expenditure for Digital Library, Professionalism Task Force and for WITFOR website.

### *WCC 2006*

The Congress was successful from an organisational and also from a financial perspective with a total of 1.000 participants. After deduction of IFIP's fee the congress resulted in a surplus of 1K USD.

### *WCC 2010*

After the presentation of the bidders to host WCC 2010 General Assembly voted in favour of Brisbane (Australia).

### *WITFOR 2007*

It has been reported that WITFOR 2007 in Addis Ababa was a huge success with 1275 participants and 140 speakers from all over the world.

### *Publications*

Springer reported that in 2007 10 titles have been published so far, 11 books were in production and a further 7 due out in the rest of the year.

### *Digital Library*

After receiving an explanation of the basic characteristics of IFIP's Digital Library General Assembly accepted the proposal from the Australian Computer Society (ACS) to establish a DL for an initial period beginning as soon as possible and ending at the end of 2008. The costs for this initial period (2007 / 2008) will be covered by IFIP.

## 2 ACTION LIST

IFIP General Assembly Aug 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> 2007, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

<b>Task</b>	<b>Person / Body</b>
<b>Finance:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Inform several Member Societies about adjustment of membership fee according UNESCO scale.</li> <li>▪ Proposal for new modern accounting system to provide EB with an adequate tool for better analysis of accounts</li> </ul>	Secretariat FC, Treasurer
<b>Statutes and Bylaws:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Revise and publish Statues and Bylaws according decision of General Assembly</li> </ul>	S&B Committee
<b>WCC 2008:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Meet OC and IPC Chairs in Milan to collect missing information and to inform EB</li> </ul>	Mr Brunnstein Mr Laprie
<b>WCC 2010:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Nomination of General Congress Chair and IPC Chair</li> <li>▪ Nomination of OC Chair</li> <li>▪ First suggestion for structure of WCC 2010</li> </ul>	President Australian CS GCC / IPC Chair
<b>WITFOR 2009:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Work with Vietnam to host WITFOR 2009</li> </ul>	Mr Strous
<b>IFIP Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To elaborate and propose a possible approach</li> <li>▪ Revision of Event Approval Guidelines</li> </ul>	AMB AMB
<b>Publications:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Digital Archive: Provide material to Secretariat</li> <li>▪ Digital Library: Establish DL for an initial period with ACS</li> <li>▪ Develop procedures for managing the additions of e-only publications</li> <li>▪ Clarify usage of templates of Springer or ACS regarding copyright notice</li> </ul>	TCs PC PC PC
<b>TC Website Hosting:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Implement TC Website on OCG server under MAMBO</li> </ul>	Secretariat TC1
<b>Marketing:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Distribute IFIP Logo 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to MS and event organizers and ask for immediate usage on IFIP publications</li> </ul>	Secretariat
<b>IFIP Strategy:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Find volunteers for implementation of proposed projects</li> </ul>	Mr Strous
<b>IFIP Affiliate Members:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To contact VLDB about membership</li> </ul>	TC6 Chair
<b>IFIP Committees:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Review committees and appoint Chairs and members</li> </ul>	President

### 3 ATTENDANCE LIST

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#### GA Members Present

##### Member Society Representatives

Australia	C Avram	Chile	M Solar
China	L Sun	Croatia	M Frkovic
Ethiopia	B Demissie	France	J-C Laprie
Germany	K Brunnstein	Hungary	M Raffai
India	L Sawhney	Ireland	D Brady
Korea	D Y Kim	Netherlands	L Strous
Portugal	A Casaca	Slovenia	N Schlamberger
South Africa	B von Solms	Spain	R Puigjaner
Switzerland	R Morel	UK	R Johnson
US-ACM	J Turner	US-IEEE-CS	G Engel

#### TC Chairs

TC 1	M Hinchey	TC 3	J Wibe
TC 5	R Waxman	TC 11	K Rannenber

#### Affiliate

IMIA	H Takeda
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#### Observers

M Glasenhardt	Croatia (MS Pres)	K Aggarwal	India (MS Pres)
M de Roche	South Africa (MS Pres)	M Zhou	China
J Li	China	J Zhao	China
Mr Menelik	Indonesia	S Kim	Korea
P Aspinall	South Africa	C Hughes	UK
E Dundler	IFIP Secretariat	B Brauneis	IFIP Secretariat
A Brais	Springer		

#### Apologies

Andorra	D Bastida (proxy to Germany)		
Austria	W Grafendorfer (proxy to Germany)		
Belgium	D Deschoolmeester (proxy to Germany)		
Bulgaria	K Boyanov (proxy to Slovenia)		
Czech Republic	J Pokorny		
Denmark	P Bollerslev (proxy to UK)		
Finland	M Sääksjärvi		
Greece	S Katsikas		
Italy	A Frisiani (proxy to US-ACM)		
Japan	T Saito		
Malaysia	R Malik (proxy to India)		
Mauritius	A Sentini (proxy to Germany)		
Nigeria	A Bada (proxy to Germany)		
Norway	Gro Gregersen (represented by J Wibe)		
Poland	H Krawczyk (proxy to Germany)		
Serbia	D Dukic (proxy to Croatia)		
Sweden	D Khakhar		
TC2	R Meersman	TC6	G Leduc (rep by R Puigjaner)
TC7	I Lasiacka	TC8	D Roode
TC9	C Avgerou	TC10	F Rammig
TC12	M Bramer	TC13	A Pejtersen
TC14	R Nakatsu		
A Goldworthy	Honorary member		
A Rolstadas	Honorary member		

## 4 GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

IFIP General Assembly Aug 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> 2007, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

### 4.1 Call Meeting to Order

**The President** opened the General Assembly meeting and welcomed all participants. He thanked the local host, the Ethiopian society (EITP) represented by Mr Demissie for the local hospitality and for the local organisation.

**Mr Brunnstein** welcomed especially the Presidents of several societies: Ms de Roche (South Africa), Mr Glasenhardt (Croatia), Mr Aggarwal (India) and Mr Takeda (IMIA).

**Mr Brunnstein** introduced those attending their first IFIP meeting:

Ms Raffai (Hungary) rep. Mr Domolki  
Mr Sawhney (India)  
Mr Rannenberg (Chair TC11).

**The President** sent greetings and best wishes for his recovery on behalf of the General Assembly to Mr Roode (past TC8 Chair).

**The President** recognized the passing away, since the last GA Meeting of Mr. António João Simões Monteiro from APSI from Portugal. He was the driving force in the bidding of APSI for organizing WCC2010.

**The President** recognized the death of Prof. Brian Shackel, the founding Chair of IFIP TC13 (Human-Computer Interaction). The President reminded GA that in 1998, IFIP TC13 honoured Brian Shackel by creating an award commemorating his immense contribution to IFIP, as TC13 inaugural Chairman and more generally over a period of more than two decades.

**Mr Demissie**, Past President of the Ethiopian Information Technology Professionals Association (EITPA) and GA representative from Ethiopia, welcomed all participants of GA and wished everybody a successful meeting and a enjoyable stay in Ethiopia. He reported on the progress of ICT in Ethiopia.

### 4.2 Attendance and Apologies

**The Secretary** announced the GA attendance and apologies received (please refer to the attendance list). 21 Full Members and 5 TC Chairs with voting rights were represented and ten valid proxies were given.

**Mr Johnson** advised that the attendance exceeded the quorum and GA could proceed with its work. He presented the schedule for nominations and elections.

### **4.3 Business Matters**

#### **4.3.1 Approval of Agenda**

**GA unanimously ADOPTED** the Agenda.

#### **4.3.2 Approval of Minutes**

**GA unanimously APPROVED** the Minutes of the GA 2006 in Santiago, Chile.

**GA unanimously APPROVED** the Minutes of the COUNCIL 2007 in London, UK.

#### **4.3.3 President's Report**

**The President** reported that WITFOR 2007, as the 3<sup>rd</sup> event in the IFIP WITFOR series, was a further step in IFIP's strategy to support Developing Countries with best expertise and assist governments, education institutions, enterprises and individuals to make best use of digital Information and Communication Technologies for the improvement of their countries and societies. As in Vilnius (WITFOR 2003) and Gaborone (WITFOR 2005), numbers of participants in Addis Ababa grew to more than 1.100, and the quality of papers and discussion was again on a high level. Government interest was well documented by the active involvement of HE Meles Zenawi, Prime Minister of the Federal Republic of Ethiopia who – as General Conference chair - opened the Congress personally, and by active supports of ministers from his cabinet.

**Mr Brunstein** expressed IFIP's thanks for the hospitality and strong support to the government and people of Ethiopia, to sponsors for their engagement and support, and to Ethiopian organisers which made, through their friendly people and the ability to solve somewhat unexpected situations with improvised methods, as to make this conference a very successful event. **The President** thanked the OC chair Bogale Demissie, representative of Ethiopia in GA, and his team, including Mrs. Kibework Lemma. IFIP especially thanked IPC chair Leon Strous, who had taken over the responsibility for WITFOR in a difficult situation and made it a big success, through hard work and well supported by his commission co chairs.

**The President** noticed that with WITFOR 2007 the starting phase of the WITFOR process can be rated as highly successful, upon which next WITFOR (2009) can build.

**The President** said that while IFIP General Assembly 2007 had a comparatively low attendance, following some security concerns (which finally proved unjustified), IFIP membership has grown to 53 members, with some parties (e.g. Kofi Annan Center Ghana) having expressed interest and others seeking agreement of their boards. **The President** reported that among others, founding member Russia is formally back, but has yet to establish active participation in Technical Committees and Working Groups. **The President** reported that among affiliates, IFIP warmly welcomes IMIA, the International Association for Medical Informatics, which is a springof of IFIP's former TC-4 (TC number held open in remembrance of history); that relations with regional affiliates, esp. with CEPIS, are in good shape. Moreover, IFIP's strong relations with UNESCO and other UN and international organisations have proved important in organising events (esp. WITFORs) and projects. IFIP EB

was continuously working to increase the number of Member Societies and to improve its relations with regional IT organisations.

**Mr Brunnstein** informed General Assembly that after more than 7 years of sometimes controversial discussions, IFIP finally reached an end to the debate about whether and how to develop its "IFIP Digital Library". He conveyed IFIP's thanks to the Australian Computer Society (ACS) and British Computer Society (BCS) for their support as well as to Springer Publications who submitted suggestions for the implementation of "IFIP DL", and thanked the Task Force led by Joe Turner evaluating the submitted bids and developing a solution jointly with ACS, and thanked finally the ACS for offering a contract using their well operating Digital Library technology for IFIP needs. **The President** said that IFIP will ratify "IFIP DL" in this General Assembly and start it soon after. With this step, IFIP will become the first international Open Source provider of highly qualified IT contents. After a 1-year initiation phase, where technical details and processes as well as a financial model will be developed, IFIP DL will be open and offered also to member societies to include related content.

**Mr Brunnstein** reported on the achievement during his presidency (2002 – 2007) concerning IFIP's development:

- IFIP secretariat was reorganised and now has a highly motivated and qualified though small team.
- Under a new contract (Springer), publications continue in good numbers and at a high level of quality.
- Last three IFIP World Computer Congresses (Montreal, Toulouse and Santiago de Chile) had very good technical content, although only Santiago was also financially successful, despite unexpected problems (Congress Centre fire).
- IFIP has enriched its scope and visibility by development and successful organisation of WITFOR conference series.
- IFIP has improved its position as adviser to UNESCO in aspects related to ICTs, by presenting results of WITFOR 2003 / 2005 to UN World Summits on Information Society 2003 (Geneva) / 2005 (Tunis) and to UNESCO General Conference 2003 (Paris)

On the other side, **the President** addressed several problems still waiting for being solved:

- Communication with Member Societies remained insufficient.
- Activities of IFIP bodies were often only sporadic with peaks of action before/after Council and GA.
- Cooperation between TCs/WGs and Member Societies concerning joint events and projects needs improvement.
- IFIP reacts too slowly (if at all) upon advent of new themes (e.g. e-voting, multiple aspects of privacy in Internet)
- Cooperation between TCs and WGs concerning multifaceted themes must be improved.
- Management (e.g. scheduling, quality assurance) of projects and tasks needs improvement.

**The President** finally thanked the Member Societies for their support and national IFIP representatives in General Assembly, Council and Committees for best efforts and helpful actions and advice, to chairs and members of Technical Committees and Working Groups, especially those TCs who had invited him to sessions: TC-3, TC-6, TC-9, TC-13.



**Mr Brunstein** thanked also the Vice Presidents and Honorary Treasurer Dipak Khakhar for very good cooperation in fair (even if sometimes controversial) atmosphere, the Honorary Secretary Roger Johnson for continuous constructive support, and good advice in many different situations, and last but not least to the IFIP secretariat staff, Brigitte Brauneis, Marion Smith and Eduard Dundler for their excellent service and fast reactions in many situations.

**The President** conveyed his best wishes for successful work in good atmosphere to all members of the IFIP family, especially for incoming president Basie van Solms.

#### **4.3.4 Secretary's Report**

**The Secretary** reported that the Secretariat continued to run smoothly and he expressed IFIP's thanks to the staff for their hard work for IFIP.

**Mr Johnson** informed General Assembly that Eduard Dundler, although prevented from attending through a short period of illness, helped to prepare the important Strategy meeting held in London. The result of this meeting is reported elsewhere on the agenda.

**Mr Johnson** was pleased to inform General Assembly that the populating of the IFIP Digital Archive continues rapidly. This archive will hold copies of all IFIP publications. The intention is to ensure that IFIP has an electronic copy of all IFIP publications and will safeguard IFIP's interests whatever happens in the future with publishing. All past editors of IFIP proceedings who have retained any electronic versions are invited to contact the Secretariat with a view to including the material in the Digital Archive.

**The Secretary** informed General Assembly that at July 19<sup>th</sup> IFIP had 44 Members with voting rights. In accordance with IFIP Statutes the membership of Egypt and Lithuania has been terminated as they last paid their subscription in 2003. The membership of Canada, Brazil and Zambia is suspended as they last paid their subscription in 2004. The right to vote at GA of Chile, Ethiopia and Greece is suspended having last paid in 2005.

**Mr Johnson** reported that Brazil has indicated its wish to become a Corresponding Member due to continuing financial difficulties. Russia has not yet been formally re-admitted as no subscription has been received.

**Mr Johnson** reminded General Assembly that EB remains committed to increasing IFIP membership and always welcomes details of possible contacts for new members.

#### **4.3.5 EB Meeting Report**

**Mr Johnson** said that since Council 2007 the Executive Board met in Laxenburg in June 2007 and again in Addis Ababa on August 24<sup>th</sup> 2007 and reviewed issues related to Statutes & Bylaws, the Digital Library / Archive, Secretariat, progress on WITFOR and WCC and other issues. EB's recommendations will be conveyed in detail under the respective agenda items.

**Mr Johnson** informed General Assembly that EB was very pleased with the adoption of IFIP business cards by TC and WG chairs.

**Mr Johnson** reported EB has received regular updates from the Professional Practice Task force and was very pleased with progress of this project. Details can be found under the respective agenda item.

**Mr Johnson** reported that EB has followed the Digital Library project and noted the recommendation to enter into an agreement with Australian Computer Society. EB hoped that, after the extended planning process, it will be possible to move rapidly towards an implementation.

#### 4.3.6 Treasurer's Report

**Mr Avram** referred to the Treasurer's report in absence of the Treasurer and explained the structure. He said that the 2006 accounts were considered in February 2007 in co-operation with IFIP's Auditor in Vienna.

**Mr Avram** reported that the 2006 Result, after amortisation and depreciation according to approved policies is a surplus of 117 619 EUR. The result was much better than the budgeted surplus of 3 K EUR. Compared with 2005, the 2006 Result showed a significant decrease in income but a slight increase in expenses. The Final Result, after Special Funds Provision of, was an increase in IFIP's General Fund by 132 K EUR.

Key figures for the last five years are:

<i>(Amounts in K EUR)</i>	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
<i>Income</i>	397	739	359	568	76
<i>Expenses</i>	279	271	219	374	264
<i>Result</i>	117	467	140	194	-188
<i>Assets</i>	2609	2580	2171	2074	1832
<i>Liabilities</i>	23	101	157	185	114
<i>Funds</i>	2585	2479	2013	1889	1717

Total income was 397 K EUR, which was lower than budgeted 406 K EUR. This was due to a decrease in dues from Members. Income from Return on Assets, managed by UBS London since 1990 was a surplus of 112 K EUR, significantly higher than the budgeted amount of 103 K EUR. Royalties from Publications were according to the budget. Proceeds from Activities including proceeds from TC Events of 59 K EUR, decreased by 51,7% compared to 2005.

Total expenses were 279 K EUR, or 30,7%, below budget. This was due to savings in expenses at Administrative Secretariat and Technical Support. All TCs had positive balance available at end of 2006, totalling of 368 K EUR. The Technical Committee expenses were 55 K EUR.

The Final Result, after Special Funds Provision, was a increase in IFIP's General Fund by 132 K EUR to 2211 K EUR.

General Assembly unanimously **ACCEPTED** the 2006 audited accounts.

**Mr Avram** informed General Assembly that IFIP's financial status for January - June 2007 showed a surplus of 188 201 EUR. Total income was 369 600 EUR, which includes membership dues (162 800 EUR), Royalties from Publications from last quarter 2006 (60 773 EUR), Proceeds from Activities (32 634 EUR) and Return on Assets (113 402 EUR).

Total expenses for the period were 127 893 EUR. This is mainly due to administrative secretariat and Administrative Support. No other major expenses have been occurred.

For the remaining of the year the following major income and expenses could be expected:

<i>Income (in K EUR)</i>		<i>Expenses (in K EUR)</i>	
Royalties	35	Travel	30
Proceeds from activities	27	Salaries incl. Social Security	90
		Supplies and Documents	5
		Office Expenses	20
		Auditor's Fee	5
		DCSC related activities	20
		TC related activities	30
		Miscellaneous	40
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>		<b>240</b>

The Treasurer's estimate is that 2007 will result in a surplus of approximately 15K.

In preparing 2008 Budget, 2006 Actual Result and 2007 Budget Approved have been considered. **The Treasurer** has also considered the budget requested by the different budget holders.

General Assembly 2006 had approved the adjustment of annual fees according the UNESCO scale for Fed. des Assoc. Informat. de Belgique (from 3200 Euro to 4800 Euro), Irish Computer Society (from 1600 to 3200), Singapore Computer Society (from 1600 to 3200), The Computer Society of South Africa (from 1600 to 3200) and ATI Asociación de Técnicos de Informática, Spain (from 1600 to 6400) from 2007. However, these fees were not invoiced to the members for 2007 instead they were informed that the new and adjusted fees will be applied from 2008.

Due to the financial situation of the society, Societé des Electriciens et des Electroniciens – SEE, France had requested temporary reduction of membership fee. It is proposed that annual fee for SEE is reduced to 3200 Euro for years 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008.

The 2008 budget implied total income of 412 K EUR and total expenses of 362 K EUR, thus giving a budgeted result a surplus of 49 K EUR. On the income side Royalties of 71 K EUR was estimated as a tentative figure based on the estimation given to Treasurer by Technical Committees. Other components of the income consisted of The Dues from members (178 K EUR), Proceeds from Activities (65 K EUR) and Return on Assets (97 K EUR). Figure for Proceeds from Activities is based on figures given to Treasurer by Technical Committees. **The Treasurer** would

appreciate an assessment by AMB of the proposed figure for Proceeds from Activities.

On the expense side, expense for the Administrative Secretariat was estimated to 212 K EUR. Other major expenses were due to funded expenses budgeted by Technical Committees for technical support and DCSC support including Sustainable Development Programme. The DCSC support included compensation to developing countries according to the voucher scheme.

#### 4.3.7 Finance Committee Report

**Mr Strous** reported (on behalf of Mr Granado) that IFIP's 2005 financial operations were analyzed by Finance committee. This analysis showed that after removing the "Return on Assets", IFIP's business has severely decreased in comparison with the previous year:

Year	Income	Expenses	Balance	% Dev. in Balance
2004	279,108	219,915	59,122	
2005	471,528	271,851	199,676	+238 %
2006	284,967	279,410	5,557	-97 %

This means that the operational (non-financial) result was very low. It was mainly due to the decrease of "Royalties from Publications" (-58 % or -106 K-EUR) and "Proceeds from Activities" (-52 % or -65 K-EUR). **Mr Strous** said that Finance Committee is rather worried with the 2006 exercise and, as already reported in August 2006, believes that EB must understand if this substantial decrease in "Income" is incidental or structural.

The "Expenses" side of the balance sheet showed good control of the regular operating expenses. The total expenses are almost the same as in 2005, and the policy line that the cost of the secretariat should be covered by the membership dues has been met.

Year	Expenses	Deviation	% Dev.
2004	219,915		
2005	271,851	+51,936	+24 %
2006	279,410	+7,559	+3 %

**Mr Strous** reported that considering the "Return on Assets" alone, the 2006 performance was below 2005, but far ahead of the budget. Compared to "Return on Assets" from previous two years:

Year	Assets	Return	% Return	% Dev.
2004	2,171,203	80,760	+3.7 %	- 46 %
2005	2,580,108	268,154	+10.4 %	+281 %
2006	2,609,532	112,063	+4.0 %	-61 %

The "Securities at Market Value" remain above the book value and increasing their worth:

Year	SMV	SBV	Appr/Depr.	% Ap./Dep.
2004	1,710,331	1,697,072	+13,259	+0.8 %
2005	2,060,728	1,798,632	+262,096	+14.6 %
2006	2,264,440	2,094,067	+170,373	+8.1 %

The 2006 Appreciation/Depreciation figures are the provisional figures as provided to Council. The final figures will be retrieved from the auditors report (due to time constraints not discussed in the FC meeting).

The Finance Committee proposes this GA to accept the final audited 2006 accounts. General Assembly unanimously **ADOPTED** the accounts.

**Mr Strous** reported that the Finance Committee examined the 2007 Budget and the actual figures for the period January - June. Following proposals made by the Publications Committee, the Professionalism Task Force and in the context of WITFOR, FC proposed adjustments of:

30 K for expenditure on the Digital Library

50 K for the Professionalism Task Force

25 K for setting up a general IFIP WITFOR website.

Discussion about these projects has been moved to the respective Task Force.

General Assembly unanimously **APPROVED** the adjustments.

**Mr Strous** reported that the Finance Committee examined the proposed 2008 Budget. Following the proposals of the Publications Committee and the Professionalism Task Force FC proposed adjustments of:

90 K for expenditure on the Digital Library

150 K for expenditure on the Professionalism Task Force.

General Assembly unanimously **APPROVED** the adjustments.

**Mr. Strous** informed General Assembly about general comments of Finance Committee on financial issues. He said that Finance Committee is concerned about the long term trend in activities and urges EB to enhance the administration and accounting procedures of IFIP in a way that it provides the appropriate information to help EB analyze and understand in a timely manner, whether decreases in Income and/or increases in Costs are incidental or structural and to enable EB to take timely appropriate action. In this respect, special attention should be paid to the accounting of revaluation of assets and expenditure of special projects. It should be investigated what the effect would be of moving from cash flow accounting to accrual accounting.

Since Finance Committee has recommended a few times already to IFIP to invest in new business opportunities, Finance Committee is pleased to note that a request for investment in such an opportunity in the form of the Professionalism project has been approved by Council.

Finance Committee advises to review the staffing needs in view of the increased activities such as the digital library, the website and a modernized accounting / reporting system and procedures.

General Assembly will **SUPPORT** the proposal of Finance Committee.

General Assembly thanked Mr Strous and Mr Avram for the short takeover of Finance responsibilities.

## 4.4 IFIP Strategy

### 4.4.1 New governance of IFIP

**Mr von Solms** presented a document containing proposals concerning the restructuring of IFIP's EB and Council (please see full document as annex 1). He informed General Assembly that the document reflects changes and additions suggested and discussed at Council 2007.

**Mr von Solms** said that the portfolios for IFIP officers are presently not fixed and asked General Assembly to vote on the general structure.

**Mr Johnson** explained to General Assembly the changes in IFIP's Statutes & Bylaws necessary to make the new structure work and ask General Assembly for approval.

The necessary changes in S&B are recorded at item "Statutes and Bylaws" Proposal 1 and Proposal 2 in this minutes.

General Assembly unanimously **APPROVED** S&B Proposal 1.

General Assembly unanimously **APPROVED** S&B Proposal 2.

General Assembly unanimously **ACCEPTED** the proposed new structure of IFIP.

### 4.4.2 IFIP's Future Strategy

**Mr Strous** presented the IFIP Strategy document with the strategic aims and objectives as well as proposed projects as a consequence (please see full document as annex 2 in this minutes). **Mr Strous** seconded by **Mr von Solms** asked General Assembly for acceptance.

General Assembly unanimously **ACCEPTED** all 5 aims and objectives of the document.

**Mr Strous** said that the next step is to look for volunteers to take over and drive the proposed projects.

## 4.5 Congresses and Major Events

### 4.5.1 IFIP Golden Jubilee

**Mr Brunstein** informed General Assembly about the suggestions for IFIP's Golden Jubilee 2010.

- IFIP WCC 2010 will include a part devoted to IFIP 50 years. Mission is not primarily to look into the past but to present visions of potential futures concerning technology, methods, applications and implications. For a symposium on IFIP achievements, a group of past officers and WG members will be invited. Within the scientific program, IMIA will be invited to organize an event (possibly jointly with interested TCs/WGs) on Health Informatics.

- IFIP TCs and WGs will be asked to include some contribution related to IFIP 50 years (possibly related to developments in their TC/WG) into events in 2010.
- Members Societies will be invited to include an “IFIP Day” (or related sessions) in their national events.
- IFIP strongly wishes to establish contacts with UNESCO and other partners to seek joint activities to mark 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- A book “50 Years of IFIP” will be published, preferably within IFIP Digital Library, as CD/DVD and in printed form.

General Assembly **AGREED** with proposals.

#### 4.5.2 WCC 2006

**Mr Solar** referred to his report (please see full report at <http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/wcc2006.pdf>) and said that from an organisational and from a financial perspective as well the Congress was successful. The technical program consisted of 4 keynote speakers, 11 International conferences, 23 guest talks, 8 tutorial courses, 6 workshops and a program with almost 500 work presentations from 48 countries.

**Mr Solar** was pleased to report that a total of 1106 participant had registered; out of which 704 have paid registration fee. Total income from registrations and from sponsorship summed up to 401.717 US; total expenses were 400.352 USD (including IFIP fee), which led to a surplus of 1.365 USD. The IFIP fee of 14.545 US has already been transferred.

General Assembly regarded the figures as presented as an extraordinary success due to good budget control.

**Mr Brunstein** commented that the Organisation Committee of WCC 2006 made an outstanding job in respect to the circumstances and requested Mr Solar to convey his thanks and appreciation to the OC and IPC as well.

#### 4.5.3 WCC 2008

**The President** informed General Assembly with regret that no information from the Organising Committee and Program Committee has been received, except that the TC-related technical part organised by IPC Co-Chair Judith Bishop is in good shape. CSC had expressed its serious concern especially about the programme details. CSC requested the support of EB for CSC's mission sending a special envoy team to meet OC and IPC Chairs in Milan to collect missing information and to inform EB immediately.

#### 4.5.4 Selection of Venue for WCC 2010

**The President** informed the bidders about the procedure for the selection process which were set out in the relevant Supplement to Standing Orders.

Excellent presentations were made by the bidders: **Mr Zhou** (China), **Mrs de Roche** and **Mr Aspinall** (South Africa), **Mr Lloyd** (Australia) and **Mr Sawhney** (India).

**Mr Brunstein** referred to the Site Evaluation Report (<http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/wcc2010-site-insp-report.pdf>) and advised that four excellent proposals had been received to host the 2010 Congress – namely from Australia (Brisbane), China (Beijing), India (Delhi) and South Africa (Cape Town); the proposal of Portugal had been withdrawn, because the leader of the Portuguese team Mr Monteiro had sadly passed away. He expressed its sincere thanks to the representatives of the bidding organisations for the courtesy and co-operation received during the investigations.

General Assembly warmly APPLAUDED the bidders and their colleagues from the respective Convention Centers.

General Assembly **VOTED** in favour of Brisbane (Australia) on the first round of voting.

**Mr Lloyd** thanked General Assembly for its support and confidence and very much looked forward to welcoming everyone in Brisbane in 2010.

#### 4.5.5 WITFOR 2007

**Mr Strous** reported that WITFOR 2007 in Addis Ababa was a huge success. 1275 participants and 140 speakers, geographically spread all over the world, were present. Mr Strous thanked the Organisation Committee and the Program Committee as well for their excellent work. Especially he thanked Mr Demissie and the Ethiopian Member Society EITPA.

**Mr von Solms** congratulated the Member Society of Ethiopia and the Organisation Committee, especially Mr Strous for his strong commitment for organising WITFOR.

#### 4.5.6 WITFOR 2009

**Mr Strous** was very happy to report that the work with Vietnam to host WITFOR 2009 has progressed a long way. He also had discussed with the Co Chairs to work on a follow up on the WITFOR spirit and invited all IFIP community to help.



## 4.6 Statutes and Bylaws

**Mr Johnson** presented the proposals of the Statutes and Bylaws Committee. These reform Council (Proposals 1 & 2) and allow TC Chairs to appoint an alternate to attend GA (Proposal 3).

### **Council Reform**

The IFIP President Elect informed Council 2007 that he wished to reform Council. Council 2007 gave unanimous support to the principles he detailed and asked for the Statutes & Bylaw amendments to be put to GA. The purpose of the changes is to rename Trustees as Councillors and to replace the current 8 Trustees with a representative from both TA and the Member Societies, four elected by GA and two nominated by the President and approved by GA.

### **Proposal 1**

To replace all references to Trustee by Councillor throughout Statutes & Bylaws.

### **Proposal 2**

To change the composition of Council it is proposed to amend Statute 4.2.1 to read:

“The Council shall be composed of the Executive Board and Councillors. General Assembly shall elect the following Councillors:

1. A current TC Chair
2. A current General Assembly representative of a Full Member
3. Four Full, Individual Members or ex-officio Members of General Assembly

In addition the President may nominate two Full, Individual or ex-officio Members of General Assembly for approval by General Assembly as Councillors.

All Councillors can serve for not more than two consecutive terms of three years.

These elections shall be carried out, keeping in mind the fact that the Council should reflect as accurately as possible the representation in the General Assembly, in particular the geographical distribution of the Members of the Federation.

If a Councillor does not serve their term in full, a successor shall be either elected or nominated and approved, in accordance with the regulation under which the former Councillor was appointed, for the unexpired portion of the term.

Councillors can be discharged for a misdemeanour by a two-thirds majority vote in the General Assembly of Full Members present or represented by proxy. A Councillor who has not attended at least one meeting of either Council or General Assembly during the preceding 15 months is deemed to have resigned and a successor shall be elected.

When a Council Member is deemed to have resigned because of absence, that member may not stand for re-election to that position at the election to fill the vacancy.”

### **TC Chair Alternates**

It is proposed that while a TC should normally be represented by its Chair, an elected officer of the TC can be sent as an alternate.

### **Proposal 3**

To make this change it is proposed to amend Bylaw 3.5:

a) the words "Individual, Honorary and Ex-officio members" in paragraph 1 needs replacing by "Individual and Honorary members"

b) a new paragraph after paragraph 1 to read:

“A TC Chair may designate another officer of their Technical Committee as a proxy.”

A matching change is needed in Statute 4.1.1. Amend the final paragraph to read:

“Only a Full Member or Ex-officio Member can give a proxy.

Proxies may be given by Full Member to and be exercised by any Full Member subject to a limit of any Full Member, other than the President, not exercising more than four votes (three proxies plus their own vote) at any one time.

An Ex-officio member may designate another officer of their Technical Committee as a proxy.

Voting figures will always be announced.”

General Assembly unanimously **APPROVED** S&B Proposal 1, 2 and 3.

## **4.7 Admissions and Elections**

### **4.7.1 Election IFIP Officers**

#### **Vice Presidents**

**Mr Johnson** reminded General Assembly that the Nominations Committee for officers had put forward the nominations of Messrs. Strous and Engel and there was the nomination of Mr Morel from the floor. **Mr Johnson** informed GA that there was a vacancy for two Vice Presidents.

General Assembly **ELECTED**

Mr Gerald Engel as Vice President for 2007 - 2010

Mr Leon Strous as Vice President for 2007 - 2010.

#### **Secretary and Treasurer**

**Mr Brunstein** reminded General Assembly that the Nominations Committee for officers had put forward the nominations of Mr Johnson for Secretary and Mr Avram for Treasurer. There was the no nomination from the floor. There was one vacancy for each of these posts.

General Assembly **ELECTED**

Mr Roger Johnson as Secretary for 2008 - 2011

Mr Chris Avram as Treasurer for 2008 - 2011.

### **4.7.2 Election Councillors**

**Mr Johnson** announced that there were five vacancies for Councillors to be filled by GA2007. Mr Hinchey has been nominated by Technical Assembly, Mr Puigjaner has been nominated by the Member Societies, Ms Avgerou and Mr Sawhney has been appointed by the President and Mr Morel has been nominated from the floor.

## General Assembly **ELECTED**

Ms Chrisanthi Avgerou for 2007 - 2010  
 Mr Mike Hinchey for 2007 - 2010  
 Mr Ramon Puigjaner for 2007 - 2010  
 Mr Lalit Sawhney for 2007 - 2010  
 Mr Raymond Morel for 2007 – 2010.

### 4.7.3 Admissions Committee

**Mr Kim** reported that Admissions Committee received one formal application for IFIP joint full membership from The Computer Society of Kenya (CSK). He informed General Assembly that The Computer Society of Kenya is the recognized association for Information and Communication Technology (ICT) industry and professionals in Kenya, attracting a large and active membership from all levels of the IT industry and providing a wide range of services to its 6,000+ members. Established in 1986 and originally known as The Computer Institute, the society attained its current name in 1994.

Admissions Committee recommended that GA2007 decides to admit CSK as an IFIP Full member.

General Assembly **ACCEPTED** unanimously.

**Mr Brunstein** personally regretted that Mr Kim is not able to continue as Chair of Admissions Committee and wished him all the best for the future.

**Mr Brunstein** informed General Assembly that the Russian Member Society is undergoing a reorganisation and that the nominee for General Assembly is Mr Evtushenko.

### 4.7.4 Internal Awards

**Mr Johnson** presented the report of the Internal Awards Committee. General Assembly was recommended to approve the nominations for Silver Core and for the Outstanding Service Award:

“Silver Core”:

TC1: Mr C Kintala, Mr A Sharma, Mr P Vitanyi, Mr Kirchner, Mr L Vigneron, Ms C Meadows

TC2: Mr J Gibbons, Mr L Meertens, Mr R Boisvert, Mr W Enright, Mr W Robinson,  
 Ms C Hofmeister

TC3: Ms D Watson, M S Rosvik, Ms R Bottino, Mr M Ruuhonen, Mr B Thompson, Ms E Stacey,  
 Mr A Fung, Mr A Visscher

TC5: Mr K Johansson, Mr R Argent, Mr P Bernus, Mr U Bititci, Mr K Mertins, Mr D Swayne,  
 Mr R Weston

TC6: Mr G Leduc, Mr A Iyengar, Mr R Boutaba, Mr J Slavik, Mr V Tschammer

TC7: Mr J Henry, M A Baghi, Mr F Troeltzsch

TC8: Mr J Pries-Heje, Mr D Roode, Mr H Kangassalo, Mr M Saeki, Mr M Myers, Ms N Russo, Ms Z Paprika, Mr K Andersen, M S Elliot, Mr S Reich, Mr A Groenlund, Ms Bunker, Mr K Kautz, Ms L Levine, Mr R Veryard, Mr J Quisquater

TC9: Ms D Whitehouse, Mr J Impagliazzo, Ms E Balka, Mr P Mambrey, Mr R Trigg, Mr C Beardon, Ms P Duquenoy, Mr A Sloane, Mr R La Rovere, Mr J Miller, Mr G Cyranek, Mr L Malmborg, Mr G Wenngren, Mr G Verroust

TC10: Mr T Nanya, Mr K Ebcioğlu, Mr J Gaudiot, Mr J Arlat, Mr W Sanders, Mr N Dutt, Mr M Imai, Mr E Villar

TC11: Mr B de Decker, Mr S Shenoï

TC12: Mr S Doshita, Mr R Sruder

TC13: Mr L Oestreicher, Ms P Kotze, Mr M Rauterberg, Mr J Gulliksen, Ms M Noirhomme-Fraiture

Ms C de Berdichevsky (Argentina), Mr G Boynton (Canada), Mr Brady (Ireland), Mr B Domolki (Hungary), Mr A Frisiani (Italy), Ms G Gregersen (Norway), Mr D-Y Kim (Korea), Mr I Privara (Slovakia), Mr N Schlamberger (Slovenia), Mr M Solar (Chile), Mr J Turner (USA-ACM), Ms B Brauneis (IFIP Secretariat)

“Outstanding Service Award (OSA)”:

TC3: Ms S Schubert, Ms H Godinet

TC9: G Wenngren

GA **ACCEPTED** unanimously

**Mr Brunstein** presented the Silver Core to Mr Brady, Mr Schlamberger, Mr Turner and Mr Kim, who were present at the meeting.

## 4.8 Standing Committee Reports

### 4.8.1 Activity Management Board

#### *Event Request Form*

**Mr Schlamberger** drew attention to his report and said that the revised Event Request Forms are in use by event organizers. AMB has received one comment regarding one form. It has been considered and the form will be made available to IFIP Secretariat for distribution. No comments and proposals have come to the address [amb@ifp.org](mailto:amb@ifp.org) that has been provided for the purpose. The AMB will appreciate any input regarding its responsibilities.

#### *Risk Sharing*

**Mr Schlamberger** said that following the Council 2007 Meeting decision that the EB should come up with a proposal for risk sharing, a paper was prepared for the EB to discuss (full document please see at [http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/risk\\_sharing%20.pdf](http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/risk_sharing%20.pdf)). The EB approved it during its

June 9, 2007, meeting as an input for further development by the AMB and it was distributed to the AMB members. The essence of the paper was the proposal that risks of organizing events should be in future distributed between IFIP and event organizers. The background for such proposal was the strategic orientation that to organize an event under the IFIP umbrella should be attractive to organizers. Such idea has been put forward as early as 1997 but has not been further elaborated. Presently the situation was such that IFIP collects its dues regardless of the outcome of an event which is not motivating for actual and potential events organizers. The AMB was of the opinion that in the future IFIP should take some risk in the events that bear its name and from which it benefits. In this way event organizer, notably member societies would be less reluctant to organize various kinds of events. Possibly also some disturbing situations that have arisen in the past could be avoided this way.

The AMB has decided to propose to the General Assembly 2007 to agree with the orientation that IFIP should share risks with organizers of IFIP events.

In the case of such decision the AMB will further elaborate and propose a possible approach taking into consideration financial aspects, what events are eligible for such approach, what are necessary amendments in existing rules, administrative and technical support and other important implications.

The AMB was aware that such decision may have also financial consequences for IFIP. It therefore asked for a kind collaboration of the Financial Committee.

#### *Event Facilitator Report*

**Mr Schlamberger** informed General Assembly that Ms Brauneis has presented the report that has been put together from the information sent to the Secretariat by event organizers. The report showed a decline in proceeds from events for 2006 vs. 2005. The proceeds for 2007 presently were nearly as high as 2006 but the data is not yet complete. The number of events from 2002 to 2007 showed a volatility where the figure for 2006 (91) is highest after 2002 and the figure for 2007 (62) not yet final. The AMB agreed that the statistics requires its attention as well as that of the Finance Committee.

**Mr Schlamberger** thanked Ms Brauneis on behalf of the AMB for her assistance and hoped to enjoy the excellent support of the Secretariat in the future.

#### *Any Other Business*

The AMB noticed that the Event Approval Guidelines are in certain points hard to interpret and offered to revise them.

General Assembly unanimously **ADOPTED** the report.

### **4.8.2 Congress Steering Committee**

**Mr Brunstein** reported on WCC 2008 (please see item WCC 2008 in this minutes).

**Mr Brunstein** reported that the report of the Site Selection Committee has been distributed via email on July 6, 2007. SSC chair reported essential findings, and informed CSC about the announcement of a suggestion which CSI will forward at GA to use any surplus (which is usually divided between IFIP and Member Society) to a

fund exclusively usable for purposes of Developing Countries. In discussion, CSC members thanked all bidders for excellent bids. Concerning IFIP WCC 2010, CSC underlined that the Congress should have a high profile, with good support (including related sponsorship) from government, industry and academia, and good media visibility. Moreover, IPC work must be suitably supported.

The following points were drawn to attention: long daily travel (India), very low budget for IPC (South Africa), relatively low budget for IPC (Australia), WCC held rather recently (2000: China), very low expenses / services at comparably high fees (South Africa) potential arguments about security (South Africa).

**Mr Brunnstein** announced the starting preparations for IFIP WCC 2010:

- IFIP President nominates IPC chair and General Congress chairs;
- MS winning bid nominates OC chair;
- IPC and General Congress chair are asked to make a first suggestion for a structure of WCC 2010 for presentation at Council 2008.

**Mr Brunnstein** informed General Assembly about the suggestions for IFIP's Golden Jubilee 2010 (please see item on "IFIP Golden Jubilee" in this minutes).

**Mr Brunnstein** informed General Assembly that Mr Solar presented his detailed report (please see item WCC 2006 in this minutes).

**Mr Brunnstein** informed General Assembly that CSC members expressed their thank to retiring CSC chair for his efforts, and they looking forward to working with him in future, especially on WCC 2010 and IFIP Golden Jubilee activities.

#### **4.8.3 Developing Countries Support Committee**

**Mr Kim** explained the new DCSC Funds Guidelines (please see annex 3) and recommended General Assembly to accept the new guidelines.

General Assembly unanimously **ACCEPTED** the proposal.

#### **4.8.4 Marketing**

**Mr Laprie** reminded General Assembly that the new 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary IFIP logo should be used immediately by Technical Committees, Working Groups, Member Societies and the IFIP Secretariat on all information to the public.

**Mr Laprie** requested General Assembly to use IFIP slide template from the IFIP website for presentations.

**Mr Brunnstein** and **Mr von Solms** thanked Mr Laprie for his chairmanship for Marketing Committee over many years.

#### 4.8.5 Publications Committee

**Mr Turner** drew attention to his report and said that according to the Publisher's report WCC 2008 preparations are well underway. Some prodding may be needed to ensure the timely appointment of stream editors.

Regarding a new publications contract, discussions will begin at Council 2008. Springer has verbally agreed to decrease the lead time for contract renewal to 15 months, allowing a decision on non-renewal to be made at GA 2008 if desired by IFIP. A contract modification will be signed by IFIP during GA 2007 and by appropriate Springer officials within the next few weeks. If the contract modification is not effected, then GA authorizes the IFIP EB, with input from the Publications Committee, to act on its behalf regarding notification of non-renewal of the publications contract as needed prior to the GA meeting in 2008.

IFIP publications in SpringerLink for 2005 and 2006 will always be open access. From 2007 onwards there will be a charge for full-text access. (This applies to the IFIP Main Series only. IFIP-LNCS publications have never been open access, and there is no intention for open access for IFIP-LNCS.

**Mr Turner** informed General Assembly that there is some urgency in publishing a copyright policy allowing an author to put his or her paper on a personal website. PC suggested that addressing policy issues piecemeal might be necessary to address pressing issues quickly without waiting for a more comprehensive development of a copyright policy.

**Mr Turner** informed General Assembly that a brief initial discussion of procedures relative to the next publications contract was held. Additional discussions will continue by email and at the next PC meeting. PC sees it as important to begin gathering information on desired changes to the current contract right away.

General Assembly **ACCEPTED** the report.

#### **Publisher's report**

**Mr Brunnstein** congratulated Springer to the advance in advertising. Contract has been changed to reduce the period of notice from 18 to 15 months for giving notice of termination.

**Ms Brais** referred to her Publishers report ([http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/publishers\\_report.pdf](http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/publishers_report.pdf)) and said that in 2007 to date 10 books have been published, with 11 books in production due out within the next few weeks. There are currently 5 additional titles scheduled for 2007.

**The Publisher** met with the WCC 2008 leaders at last Council meeting and discussed the timeline for the WCC 2008 publishing. Given the coordinates needed for production and shipping it is important that the final camera-ready manuscripts be delivered not later than May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

**Ms Brais** informed General Assembly that the new volume editor instructions, which are designed to help volume editors and authors, are up and running on the IFIP Series Page. **Ms Brais** explained the guidelines necessary to keep the partnership between IFIP and the Publisher strong and efficient.

**Ms Brais** reported that Springer has partnered with a new vendor that will process the SpringerLink usage data into comprehensive and extensive reports. This new function will be live by the end of 2007. Unfortunately, usage statistics will not be available in the interim.

**Ms Brais** informed General Assembly that there run a wide range of online marketing activities within Springer, as Electronic book content and book home pages, eNewsletters, SpringerAlerts for new books, Web Advertising and Web banners, Google Advertising, Google Book Search, Amazon Search inside the Book, Microsoft Windows-Live Search Books and Wikipedia and Book Blogs.

**Ms Brais** said that the journal for Education and Information Technologies continues to publish 2007 on time, with three issues published and the fourth in production. Downloads of the journal climbed to 13.020 downloads as of June 2007. The Publisher hoped that this positive trend continue in 2007.

**Ms Brais** showed the financial evolution consolidated into the following chart:

	<u>USD</u>	<u>Euro</u>	<u>New Books</u>
January - June 1999	\$256,290.99	€266,542.63	8
July - December 1999	\$332,633.65	€345,939.04	16
January—June 2000	\$297,686.69	€309,594.19	12
July—December 2000	\$355,897.89	€391,487.68	11
January—June 2001	\$261,495.37	€291,567.34	8
July—December 2001	\$289,309.21	€324,315.57	15
January—June 2002	\$218,871.18	€244,763.70	8
July—December 2002	\$414,840.22	€418,615.27	23
January—June 2003	\$449,935.03	€408,271.11	13
July—December 2003	\$287,117.00	€248,557.00	8
January—June 2004	\$122,224.00	€99,099.00	6
July—December 2004	\$406,789.89	€324,486.37	28
January—June 2005	\$257,281.63	€200,087.93	12
July—December 2005	\$234,616.49	€198,037.01	13
January—June 2006	\$246,597.82	€199,349.70	25
July—December 2006	\$310,264.27	€248,367.30	9
January—June 2007	\$133,614.70	€106,389.60	10

Sales of IFIP titles in the first half of 2007 totalled 106389.60 Euro (\$130K+).

In 2005, bulk sales accounted for slightly over twenty percent of revenue. Bulk sales accounted for approximately a third of revenue for 2006 to date.

Royalties to be paid to IFIP for the IFIP Series for the first half of 2007 are €8,676.83 (\$11,210.37).

Royalties paid IFIP for the IFIP-LNCS series totalled €27,900 for the first half of 2007.

There were 21 books published or in production for 2007, with 5 additional titles in production for 2007.

Detailed report is available at [http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/publishers\\_report\\_appa.pdf](http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/publishers_report_appa.pdf)

General Assembly **ACCEPTED** the report.



#### 4.8.6 Digital Library Working Party

**Mr Turner** presented the report of the IFIP Digital Library Task Force (full report at [http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/dl\\_tf\\_report.pdf](http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/dl_tf_report.pdf)) and explained the basic characteristics of the proposed DL:

1. There will be a home page that is part of the IFIP web site. This page will provide access to an index of IFIP publications by conference. There also will be an author index and a search engine.
2. The DL will contain at least metadata (title, abstract, keywords, authors) from all IFIP publications available in electronic form, and full text will be included for documents not published by Springer. For Springer publications, there will be a link to the full text on SpringerLink.
3. All text that exists on the IFIP DL, including the full text of papers, will be open access for the public. Access to the full text of papers published by Springer (which will have only metadata on the IFIP DL) will be via a link to the paper in SpringerLink. Thus there will be open access to a paper published by Springer if, and only if, SpringerLink provides the paper on an open access basis. (Springer has indicated that papers in the IFIP Main Series that are currently available on an open-access basis will remain open access, but the intention is to cease providing open access to new papers by the end of 2007.)
4. The metadata for publications by Springer will be added to the DL using the electronic archive files that are provided by Springer. Procedures will be established for adding metadata and full text of papers that are not published by Springer, and for which IFIP holds the copyright, to the DL. Mechanisms will be explored to provide full-text versions of papers in the DL prior to publication, perhaps with an option to limit access to registered conference participants.

**Mr Turner** recommended to General Assembly to accept the following:

1. To accept the proposal from the Australian Computer Society to establish an IFIP DL for an initial period beginning as soon as possible until the end of 2008. (The costs, as originally proposed by the ACS, are 25 euros per paper, with an additional 5 euros per paper if needed for manual data entry.) An agreement between IFIP and the ACS will be effected with a target date of September 30, 2007.
2. A longer-term agreement, to become effective at the beginning of 2009, will be developed based on experience gained during the initial period, and this agreement will be presented to GA 2008 for approval.
3. The cost of the DL during the initial period will be paid by IFIP from general funds and revenues. The estimated costs are 30K euros for 2007, 30K euros for 2008, and 60K euros for backfiles from 2004-06. (The estimates for 2007 and 2008 are based on an average of 1000 papers per year at 30 euros per paper. The estimate for backfiles is based on an estimate of the number of backfile papers that are available.)
4. The Treasurer, with input from the TCs, Publications Committee, Finance Committee and other appropriate IFIP constituencies, will develop a cost model for making the DL self supporting after 2008.

5. The Publications Committee, with input from the TCs, will develop procedures for managing the addition of e-only publications to the DL.
6. The Publications Committee will make recommendations for approval by the EB on procedures and practices relative to operation and management of the DL.

**Mr Turner** said that e-only publications in the digital library a copyright notice should be included in the required format if possible. Amy Brais will provide an answer on the possible use of Springer templates by September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007. There will be an investigation of possible quality control mechanisms with the ACS, using modified ACS templates. It is desirable to establish initial procedures for e-only publications not later than the end of October 2007 if possible.

**Mr Casaca** asked why IFIP should invest 60K EUR for input of history, while IFIP are not so sure this is the solution. **Mr Brunnstein** replied that overcoming the fact that SpringerLink will not continue, the history should put in immediately.

Mr von Solms declared that if the IFIP DL is not accepted after one year by TCs, it will be re-evaluated.

General Assembly **ADOPTED** the report with one abstention.

#### 4.8.7 UN Liaison

**Mr Brunnstein** informed General Assembly that UNESCO will support WITFOR 2009. The next opportunity to contact UNESCO will be their General Conference in October 2007. This will be the first possibility to introduce WCC2010 and IFIP's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. **Mr Brunnstein** suggested that IFIP should strongly continue with its work with ITU, as started by Mr Khakhar.

### 4.9 Projects

#### 4.9.1 Professional Practice Program

**Mr Hughes** referred to his report (full report at [http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/profpracttf\\_report.pdf](http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/profpracttf_report.pdf)) and requested General Assembly to accept the following proposal:

1. Confirm the intention for IFIP to create and launch a global IT professional practice programme on the basis outlined in this report, including recognised certification schemes for suitably qualified and experienced IT practitioners, and to welcome the good progress made so far.
2. Invite the existing Task Force to continue its work on the basis of the terms of the following statement of purpose:

The IFIP Task Force is responsible for strategic oversight of I3P and it will devise and implement:

- An International Professional Practice Programme (I3P) and provide and support materials for Member Societies

- Communication, marketing and promotion programmes for Member Societies and ICT practitioners
- Minimum standards for designation of individuals as IITP and relationship of IITP to pre-existing member society (and potentially other) professional designations
- Operational procedures for assessment and licensing
- Financial projections for I3P from launch to steady state
- Composition and Governance Procedures for I3P

In addition, the Task Force will:

- Plan for high profile launch event in late 2008 or early 2009
  - Market the International Professional Practice Programme to stakeholders
  - Acquire essential funding and sponsorship for the programme
  - Engage and collaborate with like-minded companies and organisations
3. Delegate to IFIP Executive Board the responsibility for oversight of Task Force activities and responsibility for decision making on issues where the Task Force requires IFIP judgement or authority.
  4. Review and approve the draft Terms of Reference for the Task Force, in which the above points are reflected.
  5. Encourage Member Societies to take an active role in developing and promoting the programme.
  6. Agree funding of €150K for 2007 and 2008 to supplement the €50K approved by Council, payable at a rate of €50K every six months as matched funding for funds from the member societies of the Task Force. It remains the Task Force's ambition to repay these sums when the I3P programme moves into surplus.

The details have been intensively discussed within General Assembly.

**Mr Waxman** commented that the program is a benefit for individual practitioners and the companies they are working for. So consequently, sponsorship should come from the companies instead from the MS.

**Mr Brunstein** replied that IFIP wants to give an immediate start and not wait for sponsors.

**Mr Aggarwal** said that India is in a process to design a certification program with UNESCO and is very interested in the program.

**Mr von Solms** saw this project as a unique opportunity for IFIP and General Assembly should see this as an investment from IFIP as venture capital.

**Mr Brunstein** said that

- IFIP appreciated the work of the task force and accepted their report
- IFIP confirmed mission and structure of TF including chair
- IFIP agreed to allocate 50K (2007) and 150K (2008)
- IFIP GA welcomed the support of Microsoft

General Assembly **APPROVED** the proposal with one abstention.

## 4.9.2 AGORA

**Mr Morel** reported on the AGORA project and said that lifelong learning is needed to be able to deal with the « e-Change Puzzle ». His report ([http://www.ifip-tc3.net/article.php3?id\\_article=162](http://www.ifip-tc3.net/article.php3?id_article=162)) about the last 10 months of the AGORA process as an IFIP initiative on LifeLong Learning can be concluded:

- AGORA is a generic and dynamic approach to LifeLong Learning. It is one example of a generic approach to transversal themes cutting across Technical Committees. Other such themes are security, professionalism, ethics, etc.
- As a result of three events in 2006 (Poitiers) and in 2007 (Seoul and Addis-Ababa), AGORA has produced two generic concepts like the SEOUL 2.0 model for learning organisation and the Addis-Abab 2.0 model for a lifelong learning environment. A methodology « studios-atelier » has been already applied for knowledge sharing.
- With its framework, AGORA facilitates emergence of projects like
  - How to manage Lifelong Learning
  - Digital Divide
  - Cyber-Teacher
  - Croatian Studio
  - Pilot project: National computer societies - the role of TC's.
- In 2007-2008, the AGORA open team under the leadership of Mr Wibe complemented by two representatives of TCs constitutes the core group AGORA. It will continue to promote a cross-fertilization inside TCs, between TCs and Member Societies (above projects i.e idea of collaboration TC-Indian IT Society-CEPIS), as well as among IFIP partners of IFIP (joint ventures for WCC'08 in Milan).

Detailed information is at [http://www.ifip-tc3.net/rubrique.php3?id\\_rubrique=52](http://www.ifip-tc3.net/rubrique.php3?id_rubrique=52).

A short summary of the AGORA approach gives the actual status on IFIP web site.

In addition, **Mr Morel** liked to draw the attention of the General Assembly to the following points :

- The follow-up of WSIS where IFIP should be a full partner
- The developments in the Digital Solidarity Fund and its agency DSA in Lyon
- The necessity of more collaboration and presence of IFIP within particular international bodies.

## 4.10 Member Societies

### 4.10.1 Member Society Relations Committee

**Mr Brunnstein** reported from the Member Society Relations Committee that **Mr Aggarwal**, President of Computer Society of India (CSI) and Vice Chancellor of IT University in Delhi, specialised in professional Education, with Software Engineering as professional area, gave a survey of CSI: CSI has 40.000 members in 65 chapters, about 300 student branches with 12.000 students members. It is organised in five

divisions (software, hardware, education, et al) and has 8 SIGs (AI, e-government, Software Engineering et al). CSI headquarter in Delhi; with a regional headquarter in Chennai (where CSI offered space for IFIP). CSI works closely with NASCOMM, the Indian Software manufacturers association and also offers professional courses targeted to industry's need. CSI holds a national annual convention (with 1.000+ participants), and it has monthly publications (with special monthly theme such as recently on Security).

Regarding Switzerland **Mr Morel** reported to MSRC about the status of "Information Society in Switzerland", recently published in a new brochure. ICT Switzerland represents IT organisations and IFIP relations in his country. Among others, an "ICT" prize of European Union awards innovative applications (total sum of awards: 800.000 Euro). He described in some detail the background and content of the booklet "Information Society in Switzerland".

**Mr Brunnstein** reported that he has introduced MSRC into the plans for IFIP's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (already covered in item Congress Steering Committee in these minutes).

**Mr Avram** suggested developing a website covering all events.

**Mr Strous** suggested contacting WITSA (worldwide IT Service provider association, located in Netherlands).

**Mr Brunnstein** reported that in its second meeting MSRC nominated unanimously Mr Puigjaner as MS representative for the Board (Councillor). Mr Puigjaner was present and willing to stand. According to those having nominated Mr Puigjaner, he is best aware of South American Informatics and MS, where he often travels and has actively participated in numerous events. He has also been reliable in reporting to Council and GA (as IPC 2006 chair).

**Mr Brunnstein** said that ACS requested IFIP's advise on how to handle an apparent decrease of first year students. **Mr Engel** reported an increase in his faculty where **Mr Johnson** observed a significant decrease in his country. It was agreed that it would be good to analyse available statistical data on world scale. **Mr Strous** and **Mr Avram** agreed to submit a proposal for a related project to find related data.

## 4.10.2 Affiliate Members

### 4.10.2.1 CEPIS

**Mr Brady** presented the CEPIS report to General Assembly (Please refer to <http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/cepis.pdf>) and thanked IFIP President Mr Brunnstein for the opportunity to participate in this General Assembly; he said that the continued cooperation between the two organisations created much potential, and both organisations have much to learn from each other.

**Mr Brady** informed General Assembly that CEPIS has been engaged in some restructuring and adjustment of focus within last twelve months, including completing the out-tasking of its Secretariat and HQ functions to its sister organisation ECDL-F and consolidating their premises in Brussels. This has allowed CEPIS Execom to

move away from managing the minutiae of the enterprise, and so enabled CEPIS to start concentrating on what matters:

- 2 active task forces (Education&Research and Professionalism)
- VP's now have firm portfolios (member relations, education & research, publications and communications)
- LSI SIN
- Their Council meeting in Prague this spring showed the fruits of these changes

**Mr Brad** said that CEPIS would like to offer some recommendations to IFIP:

- CEPIS and IFIP share some considerable overlap in members (about 34)
  - CEPIS participation can therefore be leveraged to address concerns of smaller members that may have financial challenges with participation (and perhaps IFIP can assist with the continued open question of French participation with CEPIS)
- CEPIS has already offered, and repeats its suggestion, that since a “machine” already exists for franchising (a machine already owned by 34 of the IFIP members), IFIP should seriously consider not wasting resources in creating a new machine for I3P, but to reuse the one that is already there, as the working model already exists.

CEPIS congratulates Basie Von Solms on his Presidency of IFIP. CEPIS strongly endorses and supports the structural changes taking place in IFIP under the leadership of President Von Solms, and looks forward to a continued cooperative and mutually fruitful relationship.

#### 4.10.2.2 SEARCC

**Mr Sawhney** and **Mr Avram** briefed General Assembly about some recent developments in the South East Asian Pacific Region in terms of the concerns expressed by some Member Societies regarding the effectiveness of the two Regional ICT groupings – SEARCC and AIC. There have been discussions on dissolution / merging of these bodies and while the AIC constituents have agreed to dissolve AIC and considered joining SEARCC, the SEARCC Exco has initiated a process to redefine the strategy and ambition of SEARCC to strengthen the confederation.

The IFIP General Assembly representatives of SEARCC recommended that IFIP should restart their visiting of the expert program.

#### 4.10.2.3 IMIA

**Mr Takeda**, Vice President of IMIA (International Medical Association) gave a short overview about IMIA's history and activities (full presentation at <http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/imia.ppt> ). IMIA was established in 1967 as Technical Committee 4 of IFIP, became independent of IFIP in 1988 and was established as IMIA under Swiss Law in 1992.

IMIA's goals and objectives include

- the promotion of informatics in health care and biomedical research
- the advancement of international cooperation

- the stimulation of research, development and education
- the dissemination and exchange of information

**Mr Takeda** confirmed to General Assembly that he will try to collaborate with IFIP to develop some action plans by Next BM and GA.

#### 4.11 Technical Assembly

**Mr Laprie** drew attention to his report (please see full report at [http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/ta\\_report.pdf](http://www.ifip.org/images/stories/ifip/public/publications/minutes/GA2007/ta_report.pdf)) and reported that all TCs but TC13 had sent their reports before TA meeting. TC13 report has been submitted after the meeting. He reported that 5 TCs were represented (see attendance list).

##### *Digital Library*

**Mr Laprie** reported that TA welcomed warmly the advent of the DL, and the first year initial period, whose expenses will be covered by the IFIP general budget. **Mr von Solms** insisted on the importance of using the DL, in order to demonstrate its usefulness and effectiveness. **Mr Turner** stated that all procedures (templates, quality control, etc.) will be set up in the coming month.

##### *New TC Chairs*

Technical Assembly welcomed Kai Rannenber, for his first attendance.

Robert Meersman has been re-elected as TC2 Chair.

Irena Lasiecka has resigned as TC7 chairpersonship. Jacques Henry, from University of Bordeaux, TC Vice-Chair has been elected TC Chair (effective January 2008).

The second term of Dewald Roode as TC8 Chair expired. The new TC Chair is Barbara Pernici, from Politecnico di Milano (effective August 1st 2007).

The second term of Franz Rammig as TC10 Chair will expire end of 2007. A ballot for his successor will be conducted by the end of the year.

##### *Matter arising from the last Council Meeting*

##### *Financial Issues*

The procedure for distribution of WCC event proceeds to TCs is still under progress.

The financial information communicated to TCs has improved. TA supported the request of Mr Wibe that the original Excel file of budgets are sent, and not just PDF or hardcopy.

##### *IFIP Schools*

WG6.9 was intending to organise a school in conjunction with WITFOR, but was unsuccessful in finding a local contact.

WG9.2, WG9.6/11.7, and WG11.6 organised jointly a Summer School on *The Future Identity in the Information Society*. Abstracts were submitted by doctorate students, and the acceptance rate was 50%. EU funding enabled post-proceedings. The event may run again next year (see TC9 and TC11 reports).

TC6 held 5 x 15 hour tutorials in Mozambique (see TC6 report) organised with UNU.

##### *Web Hosting*

The new IFIP website will be operational in the next two weeks. TC websites can be hosted, provided they are based on Mambo. Content and its maintenance is responsibility of the TC, not the Secretariat. Technical maintenance is 50-60 Euros per year. TC1 will be the experiment in migrating to the new website.

*Aspects from TC reports requiring the attention and approval of TA*

*TC3:* Mr Wibe raised the issue of liaison with UNESCO, EU and others, and that little has been done with this.

*TC5:* Mr Waxman informed TA about the plan to propose promotion of the SIG on Enterprise Interoperability to a WG in the future.

He proposed using up fund by asking WGs to give best paper awards, etc., where the TC will provide 1000 Euros as an honorarium. TC had an event that lost money and therefore said they couldn't pay the IFIP fee; the secretariat deducted the 25% from the TC budget.

*TC6:* Mr Puigjaner informed TA about the change in aims and scope for WG6.8 on Wireless and Mobile Communications to include wireless sensors and actuators.

He reported also that TC6 is negotiating with TC11 on a common WG on Networking and Security; the point is to find a co-chair from TC6 to work with WG11.4 on Networks and Security.

TC6 requested that the TC6 report go back to the usual format of including events and WG reports.

The question of ghost TC members was raised.

*TC10:* **Mr Laprie** informed TA that TC10 report stated that WG10.1 on Computer-Aided Systems Theory should be discontinued because of the lack of activity for several years, unless the TC Chair can find a volunteer from among WG to revive it.

**TA agreed.**

*TC11:* Mr Rannenberg proposed to TA the discontinuation of WG11.5 on Integrity and Internal Control. Reported reason is the difficulty to attract practising professionals, who are not willing to conform to academic practices (writing and submitting papers). **TA agreed to dissolve WG11.5.**

TC11 raised the proposal for WG11.12 on Privacy Protection. TC9 (Relationship between computers and society) objects that there is an overlap in that some of the work in the area of privacy was undertaken by WG9.6/11.7 (Information technology mis-use and the law). TC9 Chair Chrisanthi Avgerou has requested a delay in the decision until there is more discussion. TA agrees that more visibility for privacy within IFIP is important. A proposal is that either the proposed working group concentrates on technologies for privacy protection or else if it considers the social and legal issues, it will be in collaboration with TC9. Another possibility is to change the name of TC11 to incorporate the word "privacy", but this would need to be discussed with the TC11 members first.

A solution will be decided by TA using electronic means so that information can be given at the next Council.

*TC and WG aims and scope*

TA requested that TCs and WGs revise their aims and scope. This is a matter of image for IFIP, as a number of aims and scopes have not been revised for decades.

*IFIP Strategy Issues*

*Strategy document*

Mr Laprie reported that the IFIP Strategy document has been discussed at TA meeting. Jan Wibe pointed out that the current draft is considerably better than prior versions. TC11 pointed out that current IFIP structure does not allow for attracting young professionals (unless they are research professionals), although they are



explicitly mentioned in Strategic Objective 1 (Dissemination of high quality knowledge in ICT). Suggests adding to the description of strategic objective 1 “with topics and speakers matching their interests”, i.e. that the objective would read:

Within 5 years IFIP will become a prime organiser of ICT related events with high visibility and degree of scientific quality, also attracting young professionals with topics and speakers matching their interests

TC11 also suggested adding an additional Strategic Aim, perhaps as item 1b or as 1e as this is easier for editing: “Strengthening IFIP reputation by fostering excellence in research and development.”

### **TA supported both suggestions.**

TA regrets that 1d, the aim of standardisation, is not covered in the objectives, e.g., “For this objective IFIP should think about collaboration with standardisation organisations, e.g., in an institutional fashion (IFIP and ISO or JTC) or via encouraging cooperation between IFIP TCs and WGs and related standardisation bodies.”

#### *Restructuring of EB and Council*

**Mr Laprie** informed General Assembly that Mr Hinchey is selected as the nominee to EB should the new structure be accepted by GA.

#### *WITFOR 2007 and TC involvement*

**Mr Laprie** reported that those TC Chairs who attended WITFOR concurred that the event was very successful. For Mr Wibe and Mr Puigjaner, the best part was the commissions, for which there exists however a lot of overlap. For future edition(s), TC 3, 6 and 11 would appreciate a more systematic involvement.

#### *WCC 2008*

TA strongly regretted the absence of representation of both the organisation committee and the program committee at General Assembly. TA noted a total lack of publicity.

There was also some confusion about whether WCC starts on the Sunday or Monday.

#### *DCSC*

The DCSC proposal for 2008 is communicated to TA, who takes note of the 75-25% distribution of the grants between DCSC and TCs.

TA regretted that there has been no call for 2007.

#### *Technical affiliates*

TC6 will contact VLDB.

#### *AGORA project*

**Mr Laprie** reported that Mr Wibe has presented the project, its structure and its achievements so far. From the presentation, the project appeared to be a model for wide interactions either between TCs (as opposed to the existing bilateral interactions), or between TCs and outside organisations. The other meeting attendees had so far understood the project as dedicated to life-long learning, whereas long-life learning was presented as being an example of application of the model. There was thus a need for clarification prior to consideration of the TC involvement.

#### *Evaluation*

**Mr Laprie** reported that TA can currently not see any form of evaluation of activities of the TCs and WGs. The TC Chairs agreed that such an evaluation would be beneficial. It is thus agreed to conduct a reflection on the topic, with contributions by the WGs.

**Mr Brunnstein** thanked those TC Chairs, who have retired: Irena Lasiecka, Franz Rammig and Dewald Roode for their excellent work over years.

**Mr Brunnstein** assigned Mr Rannenber as TC11 Chair and Ms Pernici as TC8. Chair.

**Mr Brunnstein** raised his concerns about the not coordinated contacts to UNESCO. He expressed that there is a strong need to inform EB and UNESCO Liaison Officer about any contact.

General Assembly **ADOPTED** the report.

#### 4.12 Technical Committee Chairs Reports

The attending TC Chairs presented their reports to GA. The full reports, including participation statistics are available at: [http://www.ifip.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=83&Itemid=155](http://www.ifip.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=83&Itemid=155). In order to avoid duplication only key information and issues addressed during General Assembly are included below.

##### 4.12.1 TC 1 Foundations of Computer Science

URL: <http://www.kb.ecei.tohoku.ac.jp/IFIP-TC1/>

**Mr Hinchey** introduced his report of TC1 and informed General Assembly that the new WG 1.8 is extremely active.

Forthcoming business meetings:

TC1	early 2008	London, UK
TC1	Sep 2008	Milan, Italy

##### 4.12.2 TC 2 Software: Theory and Practice

URL: <http://www.ifip-tc2.org>

Forthcoming business meetings:

TC2	Sep 2008	Milan, Italy
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##### 4.12.3 TC 3 Education

URL: <http://www.ifip-tc3.net/>

**Mr Wibe presented the T3 report.**

Forthcoming business meetings:

TC3	Sep 29 <sup>th</sup> -30 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Prague, Czech Rep.
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##### 4.12.4 TC 5 Information Technology Application

**Mr Waxman** presented the TC 5 report.

Directory information: <http://www.ifip.org/bulletin/bulltcs/memtc05.htm>

Forthcoming business meetings:

TC5	Sep 2007	Guimaraes, Portugal
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#### 4.12.5 TC 6 Communication Systems

URL: <http://www.ifip.tu-graz.ac.at/TC6/>

Mr Puigjaner presented the T 6 report.

Forthcoming business meetings:

TC6	Sep 28th-29 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Borovez, Bulgaria
TC6	(Conj. Networking 2008)	Singapore
TC6	(Conj. WG 6.9)	South Africa

#### 4.12.6 TC 7 System Modelling and Optimization

URL: <http://www.math.Virginia.EDU/~ifip>

#### 4.12.7 TC 8 Information Systems

URL: <http://ifiptc8.itu.dk>

Mr Brunstein welcomed the new Chair Ms Pernici.

Forthcoming business meetings:

WG8.9	Oct 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Beijing, China
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#### 4.12.8 TC 9 Relationship Between Computers and Society

URL: [http://www.info.fundp.ac.be/~jbl/IFIP\\_tc9/index.html](http://www.info.fundp.ac.be/~jbl/IFIP_tc9/index.html)

Forthcoming business meetings:

TC9	Sep 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	London, UK
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#### 4.12.9 TC 10 Computer Systems Technology

URL: <http://www.upb.de/cs/ag/-ammig/TC10-Webpages/membertc10.htm>

#### 4.12.10 TC 11 Security and Protection in IP Systems

URL: <http://www.tc11.uni-frankfurt.de/index.htm>

Mr Rannenberg presented the TC11 report.

Forthcoming business meetings:

TC11	Sep 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Milan, Italy
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#### 4.12.11 TC 12 Artificial Intelligence

URL: <http://www.ifitc12.org>

#### 4.12.12 TC 13 Human-Computer Interaction

URL: <http://csmobile.upe.ac.za/ifip>

Forthcoming business meetings:

TC13	Apr 5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Florence, Italy
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#### 4.12.13 TC 14 Entertainment Computing

URL: <http://www.org.id.tue.nl/IFIP-SG1/index.html>

Forthcoming business meetings:

SG16	Sep 15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Shanghai, China
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#### 4.13 Change of IFIP's Presidency

**Mr Brunnstein** transferred the presidency of IFIP to President Elect Mr von Solms.

**Mr Brunnstein** wished the new President all the best for the future and thanked General Assembly for the excellent collaboration during his presidency.

**Mr von Solms** said that it is a privilege to take over presidency from Mr Brunnstein and he thanked the Past President and everybody in General Assembly for supporting him in his work. He presented Mr Brunnstein the gift on behalf of IFIP.

**Mr von Solms informed GA** that Mr Brunnstein has been asked to chair IFIP's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary series of events.

**Mr Brunnstein** accepted.

#### 4.14 Appointments

**The new President** informed General Assembly that he will not appoint the Committee Chairs and members of the Committees at this General Assembly. The Committees will be reviewed within the next month and appointments will be made afterwards.

#### 4.15 Future Meetings

The next meetings are:

2008

Council	February 27 <sup>th</sup> -March 1 <sup>st</sup> 2008, possibly Amsterdam, Netherlands
GA	<i>September 10-13<sup>th</sup> 2008 (following WCC 2008, Sept 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> 2008 in Milan, Italy)</i>

2009

Council	March, Open for Invitations
GA	<i>September (potentially following WITFOR 2009)</i>

2010

Council	March, Open for Invitations
GA	<i>September (potentially following WCC 2010)</i>

The attention of member societies is drawn to the importance of venues having easy access to major international airports.

#### 4.16 Closing of Meeting

**The President** thanked again the host for their hospitality and the General Assembly attendees for their contribution. He declared the General Assembly meeting closed and wished everybody a safe journey home.

#### **4.17 Annex 1: Proposal for Restructuring EB and Council**

Proposals for Restructuring EB and Council (Basie von Solms, 3 March 2007)  
Version 5

##### 1. Background

The present structure of EB and Council has remained unchanged for many years, and this structure is clearly limiting the optimal operation of IFIP.

One example is the fact that officers performing very important roles in IFIP, like the Chairpersons of the Financial and Publications Committees are not (necessarily) members of EB.

Another example is the lack of any possibility to second a knowledgeable person onto EB to perform some specific duty as determined by EB or the President.

Furthermore, the way the present Council is constituted also needs discussion. Whether the benefit of getting all TC Chairs together at every Council meeting is necessarily in line with the cost of attending and the value added by attending, is debatable.

Furthermore the concept of Trustees has outgrown its time, as nobody really knows how Trustees can really be integrated into the management structure.

The rest of this document is structured in the form of a number of Parts. Each Part contains one Proposal.

Proposal 1 in Part 1 contains a set of restructuring changes which are seen as the starting point for moving towards a new governance structure for IFIP.

All subsequent Proposals accept Proposal 1 as a given and contains suggestions for further changes.

##### PART 1

##### 1. Proposal 1

Proposal : The Executive Board (EB), the Council and the position of Trustee in their present forms are terminated and replaced by 'The IFIP Board', subsequently referred to as 'The Board'.

##### 1.1. The Board

This Board consists of :

##### 1.1.1 The President

##### 1.1.2 Four Vice-Presidents which are elected by GA

##### 1.1.3 Secretary

#### 1.1.4 Treasurer

#### 1.1.5 Eight 'Councillors' - 6 elected and two seconded (appointed) onto the Board

*(The term 'Councillor' is provisionally used to replace the present term 'Trustee'.)*

### 1.2. The Vice-Presidents

The four VPs are elected as present by the GA from amongst its members. The portfolios assigned to these VPs are :

- VP 1 : Member Societies
- VP 2 : Technical Activities (Chair TA)
- VP 3 : IFIP Events
- VP 4 : Finance (Chair FC)

For each of these 4 portfolios a job description will exist, and potential candidates will prior to election, have to motivate their suitability for the specific portfolio.

### 1.3. The Councillors

1.3.1 Councillor 1 is a serving TC Chair, with the sole purpose of representing TC Chairs on the Board, and is elected by GA. This Councillor must report annually to TA. The term is 3 years,

1.3.2 Councillor 2 is a serving Member Society (MS) representative, with the sole purpose of representing MSs on the Board and is elected by GA. This Councillor must report annually to GA (actually the MSs). The term is 3 years.

1.3.3 Councillors 3 and 4 are serving GA members (national MS representatives or TC Chairs) with specific expertise appointed by the Board on nomination by the President. The appointment is for the term of the specific President, and the President can determine what expertise is required (for his/her term).

1.3.4 Councillors 5 - 8 are elected by GA from GA members (national MS representatives and TC Chairs). All these Councillors will have responsibility for specific portfolios.

### 1.4 Board Meetings

The Board meets twice a year in February/March and August/September.

### 1.5 Trustees

The present system of Trustees is replaced by the concept of Councillors having specific responsibilities.

## 1.6 Portfolios

The following Portfolios will exist (provisionally) and be assigned to Councillors (possibly combined):

Marketing  
Publications  
Professionalism  
International and Industry Liaison  
Quality and Quality Control  
Developing Countries

For each of these portfolios a job description will exist, and potential candidates will prior to election, have to motivate their suitability for the specific portfolio.

The Board may decide to change, rename or regroup these portfolios as circumstances demand.

## 1.7 Management Committee

The IFIP Board has a Management Committee (MC) consisting of :

The President  
The Vice-Presidents  
Secretary  
Treasurer

The Board may second other members of the Board to the MC as required.

## 1.8 MC meetings

The MC will act in cases where speedy decisions have to be made between Board meetings. The MC will meet electronically as much as possible. Physical meetings will be limited to extraordinary and special situations.

## 2. Motivation for Proposal 1

Motivations for some of the most serious suggestions in the Proposal above, are discussed below.

### Terminology

The present term 'Executive Board' is strange, as IFIP does not have a Board which then has an 'Executive' arm.

It seems more logical to have a formal 'Board', mandated by GA to run IFIP in between GA sessions. This proposal therefore uses the term 'Board'.

## Disbanding Council

### TC Chair attendance

As stated above, it is debatable whether a physical meeting of TC Chairs twice a year is really necessary. If a proper electronic conferencing approach is implemented, it will be possible for TC Chairs to have electronic meetings more frequently, and at much lower cost.

Proposal 1 accepts at least one full electronic meeting of TA, scheduled to take place before the February/March Board meeting.

Such an approach will surely save time and money. TC activities will in no way be affected by this change, as (electronic) meetings will still take place. Furthermore, this approach saves money for those MSs (very few but very important to IFIP) who pay for their TC Chairs to attend Council – it should therefore also be very acceptable to them.

TA will of course, as is presently the case, have a physical meeting during GA.

At the Council meeting in March 2007, TA was in general agreement with this approach.

### Trustees/Councillors

Probably the role of Trustees, apart from 'looking after' TCs in earlier years, had also been to act as GA appointed 'auditors' or 'overseers', over the activities of the present EB between GA meetings, and to act as a 'experience gathering platform' for future senior management roles of IFIP. This 'overseeing' and 'experience gathering' roles seem very logical and needed. In abolishing the present position of Trustee, these roles of 'auditor' or 'overseer' and 'experience gathering' must be continued.

These roles are encapsulated in the idea of elected Councillors by MSs, TC Chairs and GA, and two appointed Councillors. These Councillors are now full members of the Board, with specifically defined responsibilities, integrating them into the IFIP governance structure.

The appointment by the Board of 2 members on nomination by the President

Proposal 1 includes the appointment of 2 Councillors by the Board on nomination by the President.

It should be the prerogative of any President to include some people whom he/she thinks have the expertise and knowledge to perform specific tasks. For that reason, such appointments are only for the term of that specific President.

## 2.4 Board meeting in February

By having all stakeholders present on the Board, a more seamless situation will result. No TA meeting or Standing Committee (SC) meetings are needed anymore because all stakeholders are represented on the Board, and all relevant SC and TA meetings have taken place electronically before the time.



No repetition is needed as at present where there is very often cross reporting between TCs, SCs, Council and GA which causes a lot of unnecessary repetition and wasting of time.

Such a Board meeting can be completed in 2 days, saving cost and time, without sacrificing efficiency – in fact efficiency will actually be improved.

### 3. Statutes, Bylaws and Standing Orders (SB&SO)

The President-Elect, Vice-President Strous, Secretary Johnson and TC Chair Max Bramer have offered to prepare a proposal for GA which will address transitional matters as far as SB&SO are concerned.

### 4. Transition measures

If these restructuring proposals are approved, some transition measures will be needed. One example is that of present Trustees and present EB members. As it is very difficult to clearly define all such possible transition measures, it is suggested that that be done when the restructuring proposals are approved.

What should however be made very clear is that no present office holder of any kind will be 'worse off' than he/she would be if no restructuring took place.

## PART 2

### 1. Proposal 2.

IFIP will leverage the concept of electronic/virtual meetings to a much greater extent. As indicated in Proposal 1, all relevant Committees will have at least one full virtual meeting before the annual February Board meeting, and this will probably be extended to another (shorter) one before the annual GA meeting.

The Board will have several (once per quarter?) electronic meetings.

### 2. Motivation

This move seems very logical, especially as IFIP is claiming to be the leader in the use of IT.

Furthermore, significant time can be saved in terms of physical meeting times, and all members of a specific Committee can take part. Presently, very often, a Committee meets and only a subset of the members are present, as the rest did not physically attend the relevant Council or GA meeting.

Such meetings, specifically those of SCs, will also provide proper input into the relevant Board or TA or GA meetings.

By having more frequent Board, TA and SC meetings, the whole decision making process of IFIP may be speeded up, and many issues may be resolved faster than present.

## PART 3

### 1. Proposal 3.

Proposal : The whole structure of Standing Committees (SCs) will be reviewed, and responsibility for SCs will be divided between VPs and Councillors. This means that every SC will be represented on the Board by a VP/Councillor through some Portfolio holder. This Portfolio holder may be, but need not necessarily be, the Chairperson of the relevant SC.

Whether a specific Portfolio holder will require the need for a supporting Committee, and whether many of the activities of existing SCs can be handled by the relevant Portfolio holder in conjunction with the administrative HQ and/or Portfolio holder for Secretarial services and Finance, will be investigated in detail.

### 2. Motivation

The present set of SCs needs urgent review. SCs should only exist for those aspects which cannot be handled efficiently by the relevant Portfolio holder as discussed above. As indicated in Proposal 4, SCs will meet electronically in due time to prepare proper inputs to Board and GA meetings.

Examples of SCs which may be investigated with the eye on possible change/termination, transferring responsibility directly to the Board, include :

- Activity Management Board
- Admissions Committee
- Statutes and Bylaws Committee
- Nominations Committee

Other SCs may be affected depending on the definition of the relevant portfolios.

## PART 4

### 1. Proposal 4

The Structure/Agenda of the Board and GA will be reviewed and restructured. Specifically the structure of GA should be such that more time for discussion and debating is available – rather than for listening to micro details about finances, TC/WG members and activities, reports from Associates etc.

### 2. Motivation

The challenge will be to make GA meetings more interesting and relevant to all those who attend.

#### **4.18 Annex 2: IFIP's Strategy Document**

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##### **IFIP'S STRATEGIC AIMS**

IFIP provides a global platform to:

1. Advance technologies for information and knowledge societies, by:
  - a. Supporting the advancement of knowledge,
  - b. Fostering excellence in research and development,
  - c. Organizing international conferences, workshops, etc.,
  - d. Disseminating new knowledge via conferences, journals and a Digital Library,
  - e. Promoting the adoption of global standards.
2. Disseminate high quality information, by:
  - a. Establishing a Digital Library (DL),
  - b. Encouraging the population of the DL with high quality relevant material,
  - c. Promoting awareness and use of the DL,
  - d. Exploiting other ways of distributing information.
3. Advance professionalism in ICT, by:
  - a. Maintaining and promoting appropriate bodies of knowledge for ICT practitioners,
  - b. Maintaining and promoting common skills frameworks,
  - c. Promoting high quality ICT education,
  - d. Enhancing the mobility of ICT professionals,
  - e. Promoting life long learning.
4. Promote social responsibility in the application of ICT, by:
  - a. Promoting awareness of ethical issues,
  - b. Promoting robust international legal frameworks (e.g. data protection, freedom of information, privacy),
  - c. Promoting public understanding of ICT,
  - d. Promoting accessibility of ICT.
5. Promote digital equity, by:
  - a. Promoting practical demonstrator projects,
  - b. Contributing to sharing knowledge and experiences e.g. through conference series such as WITFOR,
  - c. Encouraging sharing of knowledge through appropriate access to relevant ICT literature.

## **IFIP's STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (for the next five years)**

*!!! The following five ambitious strategic objectives could be perceived as competitive with the activities of IFIP's member societies and therefore conflicting with their interests. It is by no means IFIP's intention to start a competition or to harm the interests of its members. Achieving a strong brand name is in the interest of IFIP itself and of its members. This can only be accomplished in cooperation between the technical bodies (TCs and WGs) and the member societies.*

1. Dissemination of high quality knowledge in ICT  
 Within 5 years IFIP will become one of the leading organizers of ICT related events with high visibility and degree of scientific quality, also attracting young professionals with topics and speakers matching their interests.  
 Measure: increased citations and quotations  
 This objective covers the aims 1.a, 1.b, 1.c, 1.d.
  
2. International reputation  
 Within 5 years IFIP will be considered one of the leading sources of advice on ICT related issues, including for UN organizations.  
 Measure: at least one annual request for advice from three international organizations, including UN bodies.  
 This objective covers the aims 3.c, 5.a, 5.b, 5.c.
  
3. Member societies
  - a. Within 5 years IFIP will provide four new services for member societies and their constituencies such as providing information on ICT related developments such as open access Digital Libraries (i.e. libraries with access at no cost for the readers), websites for specific purposes, support with sources of information for member societies' projects, professionalism program.  
 Measure: at least four new services.  
 This objective covers the aims 2.a, 2.b, 2c, 2.d.
  
  - b. Within 5 years IFIP will become one of the leading sources of information to support member societies in raising public awareness about opportunities and risks of ICT developments.  
 Measure: at least five member societies reporting use of IFIP information in their activities; at least five position papers.  
 This objective covers the aims 4.a, 4.b, 4.c, 4.d.
  
4. Students  
 Within 5 years IFIP will become a leading organization assisting in the education of the younger generation, and IFIP will act as one of the leading advisors on the development of curricula for undergraduate and graduate ICT study programs.  
 Measure: IFIP will provide expert advise on the curriculum development in at least 10 educational institutions on at least 3 continents each.  
 This objective covers the aim 3.c.
  
5. Practitioners  
 Within 5 years IFIP will become a leading organization in supporting life long development of ICT practitioners.

Measure: availability of global skills framework; WTO recognition  
This objective covers the aims 3.a, 3.b, 3.d, 3.e

*For aim number 1.e., promoting the adoption of global standards, currently no specific objective has been defined because of resource reasons. This does not mean that the aim is neglected or postponed, on the contrary. Where ever possible the IFIP bodies will be encouraged to pay attention to this and to contribute. However it was decided not to set a specific ambitious objective for the forthcoming five-year period.*

**Project 1.** Dissemination of high quality knowledge in ICT**Strategic objective**

Within 5 years IFIP will become a prime organizer of ICT related events with high visibility and degree of scientific quality, also attracting young professionals.

**How to achieve this**

The objective will be achieved by implementing procedures for quality assurance of IFIP events and by implementing a marketing strategy for events.

**Steps**

Assess current approach to level of quality.

Define a procedure for quality assurance of IFIP events (both sponsored and co-sponsored). This procedure must pay attention to: - review process; - selection of reviewers; - review / acceptance criteria; - acceptance rates; - etc.

Define a procedure for the evaluation of compliance with the quality assurance procedure, including measures to enforce.

Define measurements for assessing whether the objective is achieved. Possible examples are the number of citations, the number of quotations / literature references, acceptance rates, etc.

Define a proper marketing strategy for marketing events. This could include the setting up of a standard list of channels for distributing calls for papers, announcements, etc.

Set up a plan to “market” the quality criteria in order to make it known to “the world” that IFIP has a strict and good approach to guarantee quality of events.

**Milestones**

The drafts of the procedures, plans, etc. of all steps can be ready by the end of 2007 and adopted by Council 2008.

**Measure for success**

To be defined in step c.

**Project management and execution**

The project will be managed and monitored by one of the vice-presidents.

The project (step a to e) will be executed by one or two dedicated volunteers.

**Budget**

No budget needed for steps a to e.

Possibly the marketing strategy and the marketing activities have budget consequences, but this has to be included in the plans in step d and e.

**Project 2. International reputation****Strategic objective**

Within 5 years IFIP will be considered a prime source of advice on ICT related issues, including for UN organizations.

**How to achieve this**

This objective will be achieved by actively bringing IFIP to the attention of international bodies and by participating in the work of those bodies.

The focus for the first five years will be on:

ICT in developing countries

Information access for all (UNESCO IFAP program).

**Steps**

Setting up an inventory of those international bodies IFIP wishes to focus on in the first five years.

Establishing and maintaining contacts with the right persons in those bodies.

Advance the WITFOR process, including projects (with related bodies).

Organize / participate in joint (IFIP and international bodies) events in developing countries.

**Milestones**

Steps a and b ready by the end of 2007 and approved by the Executive Board.

Step c, plan for advancement ready by the end of 2007.

Step d, to be divided in two sub steps: - making an inventory of events to participate in; - getting TCs and WGs involved. Inventory to be ready by the end of 2007.

**Measure for success**

IFIP receives at least one annual request for advice from three international organizations, including UN bodies.

**Project management and execution**

The project will be managed and monitored by one of the vice-presidents.

Step a will be executed by the vice-president responsible for international relationships. Step b is a responsibility of a number of persons. Step c will be executed by the Executive Board member responsible for WITFOR, assisted by others (such as the WITFOR commission co-chairs). Step d is to be performed by TCs and WGs.

**Budget**

Step b might require a budget for meetings with the contact persons of the identified international bodies.

Budget implications of step c and d should be on the budgets of the respective events.

**Project 3.a. Member societies: new services****Strategic objective**

Within 5 years IFIP will provide four new services for member societies and their constituencies such as providing information on ICT related developments such as open access Digital Libraries, websites for specific purposes, support with sources of information for member societies' projects.

**How to achieve this**

The objective will be achieved by defining four new services, developing the services and implementing them in a manageable phased approach.

**Steps**

Solicit ideas for, select and define two new services, including accompanying project plans, for the first two years to be implemented.

Develop, implement and promote the first service (e.g. Open Access Digital Library)

Develop, implement and promote the second service (e.g. setting up procedures and a helpdesk for using the Digital Solidarity Fund in the support of Member Societies' projects)

Solicit ideas for, select and define two new services, including accompanying project plans, for the second part of the five year plan.

Develop, implement and promote the third service.

Develop, implement and promote the fourth service.

**Milestones**

Step a to be finished end of 2007. Step b to be completed mid 2008, step c in 2009.

Step d to be finished mid 2009, step e in 2010 and step f in 2011.

**Measure for success**

At least four new services fully implemented and the services regularly used by at least five member societies each.

**Project management and execution**

The project will be managed and monitored by one of the vice-presidents.

Execution ???

**Budget**

Steps a and d don't require budget, for steps b, c, e and f a proper budget should be included in the project plan.



**Project 3.b. Member societies: public awareness****Strategic objective**

Within 5 years IFIP will become a prime source of information to support member societies in raising public awareness about opportunities and risks of ICT developments.

**How to achieve this**

The objective will be achieved by collecting and publishing high quality global reviews / position papers on issues of importance to the society at large, such as e-voting, off-shoring and data protection, and by facilitating the access to information already available at member societies.

**Steps**

Setting up a monitoring and selection process for identifying the topics that need / deserve a global review / position paper.

Setting up a process to acquire the global reviews / position papers on the identified topics.

Publish the global reviews / position papers.

Define a project to facilitate the access to information of member societies (e.g. via a portal).

Develop and implement the facilities for access.

**Milestones**

Step a and b ready by end 2007 and procedures accepted by EB. Step c depends on the development of important issues. Step d ready by end 2007. Step e to be completed end of 2008.

**Measure for success**

At least five member societies reporting use of IFIP information in their activities; at least five major position papers published in five years.

**Project management and execution**

The project will be managed and monitored by one of the vice-presidents.

Execution ???

**Budget**

Steps a, b and d do not require budget, budget for step c depends on the choice of method for acquiring the global review / position paper. Step e requires a separate budget in the project plan.

**Project 4. Students****Strategic objective**

Within 5 years IFIP will become a leading organization assisting in the education of the younger generation, and IFIP will act as a prime advisor on development of curricula for undergraduate and graduate ICT study programs.

**How to achieve this**

In order to achieve this objective a body of knowledge will be developed and maintained in close cooperation with related international bodies.

**Steps**

Select areas for which bodies of knowledge should be developed.

Select organizations for cooperation in the development of bodies of knowledge.

Select the appropriate curricula in specific areas.

Set up the bodies of knowledge.

Select events where the bodies of knowledge can be presented (specifically in developing countries where the need is bigger but also in the rest of the world).

Present the bodies of knowledge at the selected events.

**Milestones**

Steps a and b ready end 2007, steps c and d first example ready mid 2008, step e ready end 2007, step f first events in 2008.

**Measure for success**

Bodies of knowledge implemented in at least 10 educational institutions in at least 3 continents each.

**Project management and execution**

The project will be managed and monitored by one of the vice-presidents.

Execution ??? (TC-3 ??)

**Budget**

To be discussed, setting up and maintaining bodies of knowledge by volunteers or by professionals, presenting bodies of knowledge need for travel budgets ??

**Project 5. Practitioners****Strategic objective**

Within 5 years IFIP will become a leading organization in supporting life long development of IT practitioners.

**How to achieve this**

This objective will be achieved by developing and promoting a global skills framework and by seeking recognition of the World Trade Organization (WTO).

**Steps**

See project plan for global skills framework

**Milestones**

See project plan for global skills framework

**Measure for success**

Availability of global skills framework; WTO recognition.

**Project management and execution**

The project will be managed and monitored by one of the vice-presidents.  
Execution ???

**Budget**

???

#### **4.19 Annex 3: Proposal New DCSC Funds Guideline**

##### **Proposed New DCSC Funds Guideline**

###### **Motivation**

We announced Sustainable Development Program (SDP) two years ago for young IT professionals from developing countries. Since we didn't get any applicant, we'd like to propose following new scheme to support

###### **Who can apply?**

1. Conference speakers or attendances from developing full member society countries.
2. Speakers for IT school which is held in developing countries.

###### **How to apply?**

TC chairs can make applications to IFIP Secretariat. TC chairs are responsible for providing information on how to apply, selection of applicants.

###### **Funds**

Total amount of the grant is 20,000 Euro (Including matching funds from TCs – 5,000 Euro). Basically it needs to be matched 25% by TCs. Each TC can apply for up to 2 persons, total amount of 2,000 Euro. The funds are based on costs for:

- Return travel by the cheapest means
- Accommodation
- Registration fee
- Travel Insurance

###### **Procedures**

- Every six month, DCSC make a recommendation to the EB.
- EB approves electronically.
- DCSC chair notifies the result to TC chair.
- TC chair can ask reimburse with feed back report of return invest.

25 August, 2007  
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