

**Minutes of the General Assembly**  
**August 30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009, Hanoi, Vietnam**

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## 1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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### *IFIP Strategy*

Project 1 (Dissemination of high quality knowledge in ICT): After Board meeting in March 2009, the champions made an attempt to take the goal from a different perspective and with a different approach.

Project 2 (International reputation): The International Liaison Committee is working on this project.

Project 3 (Member Societies): Project has been assigned to Membership Task Force. A draft report will be expected at next Board meeting in March 2010.

Project 4 (Students): Due to late contacting the champion about content and approach, progress is behind expectations.

Project 5 (Practitioners): Progress of IP3 project.

### *International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3)*

IP3 has made good progress. Three new members joined IP3 in July 2009: CSSA (South Africa), IPSJ (Japan) and NZCS (New Zealand). General Assembly approved the "IP3 Board" proposal as an interim management structure for the IP3 project. IFIP Executive Committee has been asked to work with IFIP member societies represented in IP3 to prepare a set of Terms of Reference to regulate the longer term operation of the IP3 project and its relationship to other IFIP bodies. ToR will be presented at Board meeting in March 2010.

### *Publications / Digital Library*

A new agreement with the ACS for operation and maintenance of the Digital Library was completed. All IFIP publications published by Springer in 2007 and 2008 are in IFIP'S DL.

Springer closed the Norwell/Boston office and transferred the work on IFIP main series to Heidelberg, Germany. The IFIP Main Series will be managed by the same Heidelberg group that manages the Springer LNCS Series with some additional advantages, like typesetting of the books, generation of tables of content, running page numbers will be created by Springer.

Substantial agreement between IFIP and Springer was reached on the terms of a new publications contract. The new contract will be ready for signature within the next months.

### *Elections*

Mr Leon Strous (Netherlands) has been elected as IFIP President Elect. Messrs. Ramon Puigjaner and Lalit Sawhney have been elected for their first term as Vice President. Ms Maria Raffai has been elected as Honorary Secretary Elect. Messrs. Bernhard Eschermann, Kai Rannenber, Don Robertson and Jan Wibe are elected as Councillors.

### *Finance*

2008 resulted in a deficit of 41K EUR in IFIP's operational Profit/Loss. The valuation of IFIP's portfolio ended up with a loss of 488K EUR. The estimate for 2009 showed nearly the same loss as in the previous year of 40K EUR. Taking into account the requested budgets by different budget holders, the budget for 2010 will result in a loss of 143K EUR. This includes exceptional items financing the strategic projects as an investment in IFIP's future.

*WITFOR 2009*

Under the enthusiastic leadership of Vice President Leon Strous, WITFOR 2009 was a great success. 1500 registered participants from 70 countries attended 7 plenary sessions, 30 parallel sessions. The event, opened by Vietnam's Prime Minister, was present in TV and radio as well as in newspapers and journals.

*WCC 2010*

Organization of WCC 2010 is generally well on track. The Organizing Committee has changed the Professional Conference Organiser due to lack of support, various actions are being performed; progress and success will be clearer by end of this year. WCC 2010 has currently 8 streams with 17 sub-conferences from 13 Technical Committees, partner conferences and sponsor contributions. The local organizer is working on a contract with IFIP, which will include, besides the licence fee, also a share in profit like all the other partners. A separate agreement for WCC 2010 proceedings has been negotiated with Springer. The possible options were given to the TCs and to the WCC 2010 management to decide.

*WCC 2012 and future WCCs*

It has been decided that no invitations will be extended for a WCC 2012. Suggestions for redesigning the World Computer Congress were presented. The President will collect all ideas and come back with a draft proposal at next Board meeting.

**2 ACTION LIST**

IFIP GENERAL ASSEMBLY AUG 30<sup>TH</sup> - AUG 31<sup>ST</sup> 2009, HANOI, VIETNAM

<b>Task</b>	<b>Person / Body</b>
<b>Finance:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Proposal for new models to finance IFIP</li> <li>▪ Development of a financial model for sustaining the operation of IFIP's Digital Library</li> <li>▪ Proposal for better management of IFIP's portfolio</li> </ul>	TF on Finance  TF on Finance  Finance Comm.
<b>Membership:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Develop models/scenarios for membership in IFIP</li> </ul>	Membership TF
<b>Events Reporting:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Consider benefits and decide on creation of an IFIP database</li> </ul>	Executive Committee
<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>	Secretariat
<b>Periodicity and content of future WCCs:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Collect ideas and draft a plan to proceed</li> </ul>	Mr von Solms

<p><b>WCC 2010:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Formalize and sign contract between IFIP and ACS</li> <li>▪ Updating WCC 2010 website</li> <li>▪ Creation of “IFIPs Living History” database</li> <li>▪ Invitation of MS to include an IFIP day in their national events</li> </ul>	<p>OC</p> <p>IPC, OC</p> <p>Mr Brunnstein / Mr Zemanek Mr von Solms</p>
<p><b>WITFOR 2011:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Proposal of an organizing country: continuation of discussions on ministry level and decision</li> </ul>	<p>Mr Strous</p>
<p><b>Standing Committees:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Web version of Event forms</li> <li>▪ Creation of a draft for a MoU to cover financial aspects of events organized</li> <li>▪ Distribute and analyze questionnaires to TCs and MS in order to find member’s expectations from IFIP</li> <li>▪ Intensive support of marketing WCC 2010</li> <li>▪ Establish operating procedures for IFIP’s Digital Library</li> <li>▪ Establish new publications contract</li> <li>▪ Extension of DL agreement</li> <li>▪ Update IFIP’s web site with new publications procedures</li> <li>▪ Setting up inventory of international bodies IFIP wishes to focus on</li> </ul>	<p>AMB</p> <p>AMB</p> <p>Marketing Comm.</p> <p>Marketing Comm.</p> <p>Public.Comm.</p> <p>Public.Comm.</p> <p>Public.Comm.</p> <p>Secretariat</p> <p>ILC</p>
<p><b>International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Create income growth</li> </ul>	<p>IP3</p>
<p><b>Technical Assembly:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Maintain databases regarding changes in TCs, WGs, SIGs</li> <li>▪ Check position of TC 7 regarding its participation in IFIP’s General Assembly and TA</li> </ul>	<p>Secretariat</p> <p>Mr Bramer</p>

**3 ATTENDANCE LIST**IFIP GENERAL ASSEMBLY AUG 30<sup>TH</sup> - AUG 31<sup>ST</sup> 2009, HANOI, VIETNAM**GA Members Present****Member Society Representatives**

Austria	D Karagiannis	Canada	G Boynton
China	R Lin	Croatia	M Frkovic
Czech Rep	J Pokorny	Germany	K Brunnstein
Ethiopia	B Demissie	Hungary	M Raffai
India	L Sawhney	Ireland	D Brady
Japan	T Saito	Korea	D Y Kim
Netherlands	L Strous	New Zealand	D Robertson
Norway	J Wibe	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	Vietnam	N Long
Honorary Member	A Goldsworthy	Honorary Member	A Rolstadas

**TC Chairs**

TC2	B Meyer	TC 3	B Cornu
TC8	B Pernici	TC 9	C Avgerou
TC10	B Eschermann	TC 11	K Rannenberg
TC12	M Bramer	TC14	R Nakatsu

**Affiliate**

CEPIS	D Brady	IMIA	H Takeda
SEARCC	Y Karunaratne		

**Observers**

T Dillon	Incoming TC12 Chair	M Glasenhard	Croatia (MS Pres)
M Alade	Nigeria	N Hieu	Vietnam (MS Pres) K
K Al-Holan	Saudi Arabia	N Tosa	WG 14.7 Chair
E Dundler	IFIP Secretariat	B Brauneis	IFIP Secretariat

**Apologies**

Austria	A Min Tjoa	Represented by D Karagiannis
Australia	C Avram	Proxy to US / ACM
Belgium	D Deschoolmeester	
Bulgaria	K Boyanov	
CLEI	R Baeza-Yates	Proxy to Spain
Denmark	P Bollerslev	Proxy to UK
Finland	O Martikainen	
Greece	S Katsikas	
Italy	A Frisiani	Proxy to US / IEEE
Kenia	W Singanga	
Poland	H Krawczyk	
Sweden	D Khakhar	Proxy to Portugal
Zimbabwe	L Gudza	
TC1	M Hinchey	
TC5	R Waxman	
TC6	G Leduc	Represented by R Puigjaner
TC7	J Henry	
TC13	A Petersen	
Honorary Member	A Melbye	

## 4 GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

IFIP GENERAL ASSEMBLY AUG 30<sup>TH</sup> - AUG 31<sup>ST</sup> 2009, HANOI, VIETNAM

### 4.1 Call Meeting to Order

**The President** opened the General Assembly meeting, formally welcomed all participants and wished to all a constructive meeting. He thanked the local host, the Vietnamese Association for Information Processing (VAIP) represented by Mr Hieu from the Executive Committee of VAIP and Mr Long (General Secretary of VAIP) for the local hospitality and for the local organisation.

**Mr Hieu** welcomed all participants to General Assembly in Hanoi on behalf of VAIP and wished everybody a successful meeting and invited all participants to a Vietnamese dinner.

**The President** especially welcomed two Honorary Members of IFIP, Mr Goldsworthy and Mr Rolstadas. He introduced the new TC Chairs, Mr Meyer (TC2) and Mr Cornu (TC3) and those national representatives attending their first IFIP meeting:

Mr Lin (China)  
Mr Karagiannis (Austria)  
Mrs Raffai (Hungary)  
Mr Robertson (New Zealand).

**The President** welcomed the representatives of IMIA and SEARCC.

**The President** sent greetings and best wishes for his recovery on behalf of the General Assembly to Mr Hinchey and also to the family of Mr Avram.

### 4.2 Attendance and Apologies

**The Secretary** announced the GA attendance and apologies received (please refer to the attendance list). 24 Full Members, 2 Honorary Members and 8 TC Chairs with voting rights were represented and 5 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 2008 in Milan, Italy.

**GA unanimously APPROVED** the Minutes of the BOARD 2009 in Delhi, India.

### 4.3.3 President's Report

**The President** reported that the last year had been a very interesting and exciting year for IFIP. His report will endeavour to give a brief overview of some of the most important developments, as well as some of the personal activities undertaken by him.

#### *Membership Issues*

Several membership issues were resolved during this period, but some are still open. **The President** drew attention to a few interesting cases:

The membership of the Gulf Computer Society has caused some problems as the GCS, after having been accepted as a member, requested exclusivity as far as any membership issues related in the Gulf area are concerned. That was denied, and the matter has not been finalized.

In the mean time an application from the Computer Engineering Chapter of Saudi Council of Engineers had been received. This is an established Society, and GA will be requested to approve this application during this meeting.

An application is expected to come from Uruguayan Informatics Association, AUDIO (Asociación Uruguaya de Informática e Investigación Operativa. This application was the direct result of efforts by the Regional Representative to South America, Councillor Ramón Puigjaner.

IFIP keeps receiving requests from existing members, mostly in developing countries, to downgrade their membership, or even to accept their resignation. This matter is worrying, but will hopefully be addressed by the proposals of the TF on Membership.

#### *Task Forces*

**The President** expected final reports of the following active Task Forces:

- ❖ Task Force on Membership, with Vice President Jerry Engel as Chair, has a very wide Terms of Reference (TOR) to create a new model for membership to take IFIP into its next decade.
- ❖ Task Force on Finances, with Treasurer Chris Avram as Chair, also has a very wide Terms of Reference (TOR) to re-visit the present IFIP financial model, and to create a new financial model to take IFIP into its next decade.
- ❖ Task Force on investigating the idea incorporating specific IT related practitioners into IFIP, with Councillor Lalit Sawhney as Chair. The purpose of this TF is to investigate the pros and cons of getting closer contact with the certain categories of IT professionals, but initially limited to CIOs, CTOs and ERP related practitioners.
- ❖ Task Force on investigating the idea of a Foundation within IFIP, with Vice President Leon Strous as Chair. The purpose of this TF is to investigate the pros and cons of such an IFIP Foundation, and advise the Board about the way forward.
- ❖ A Reporting System for attendance at IFIP Events – An Events Information System (EIS) driven by Councillor Max Bramer. The purpose of this project is to investigate the viability of such an Events Information System, to provide a Plan of Action on how to develop and implement it, and to produce a Proof of Concept.

*International Liaison*

**The President** informed General Assembly that an invitation was received to be a Keynote speaker at the EC sponsored conference on 'ICT for a Global Sustainable Future' which took place in Brussels on 22/23 January 2009. His presentation gave an overview of IFIP. **The President** had personal discussions with two senior people:

- Mr Hamadoun Toure, Secretary-General of the ITU  
He is well aware of IFIP and also very positive about closer cooperation with IFIP, specifically in the area of Developing Countries. He has invited IFIP to join the ITU as a 'sector' member. This will be investigated.
- Mr Antti Petromaki, Deputy DG of the ISM Directorate of the EU  
The discussion with him and his Deputy, Mr Blixt, went very well, and IFIP has an open invitation to contact them on any project.

This aspect is of growing importance to IFIP, and good progress is made

*WITFOR 2009*

**The President** reported that under the enthusiastic leadership of Vice President Leon Strous, WITFOR 2009 is very much on track. A WITFOR website and a logo for WITFOR had been some of the specific developments. A full report will be presented by Mr Strous. **The President** personally wanted to congratulate and thank VP Strous for the immense effort put into the organization of WITFOR 2009. Although he had people working with him, he was the main driver and without his efforts, WITFOR 2009 would not have gained the status it eventually did.

*IP3*

**The President** said that IP3 has made good progress, and several additional IFIP members have joined. The communication between the IP3 team and the CEPIS TF on Professionalism has also been improved via a planned meeting in Brussels. Special thanks to Charles Hughes for his drive and enthusiasm during the last 3 years. Mr Hughes has now stood down as Chair of the IP3 team.

*Publications*

**The President** informed the General Assembly that IFIP's Digital Library is now ready for full usage, but a detailed discussion about the future financing model of the DL is very necessary at this stage. He said that the DL cannot be sustained by IFIP as has happened up to this stage. IF Technical Committees do not start using the DL, the project may have to be stopped.

**The President** reported that proposals for the renewal of the publications contract will be discussed at this General Assembly. A very good relationship has been created between Springer (Europe) and an IFIP discussion team consisting of Vice Presidents Leon Strous and Joe Turner, and General Secretary Eduard Dundler.

*WCC 2010*

**The President** reported that WCC 2010 is well on track. He thanked the WCC General Chair Klaus Brunnstein and the IPC Chair Augusto Casaca for their contributions to the event. He had several meetings with the Local Organizing Committee of WCC 2010 in Brisbane, and a good understanding has resulted. Some financial issues are still outstanding, but he hoped that a report at this General Assembly will hopefully resolve all outstanding problems.



*Secretariat*

**The President** informed General Assembly that a new accounting system (including a cost accounting system), which, amongst other things, allows for the creation of more frequent reports to TC Chairs, was successfully installed. He also reported that the Board of IFIP, at its 2009 meeting in Delhi, has decided to change the title of the Head of IFIP Secretary to General Secretary of IFIP.

**4.3.4 Secretary's Report**

**The Secretary** reported that he visited the Secretariat in Laxenburg within his yearly inspection. He is confident that the Secretariat continued to run smoothly and he expressed IFIP's thanks to the staff for their hard and excellent work for IFIP. New accounting software has been installed in Laxenburg to support improved TC and project accounting. It will be used from the start of the coming financial year.

**The Secretary** informed General Assembly that following the decision of the IFIP Board in March 2009 IFIP's auditors have submitted a formal application for incorporation to the Austrian Ministry of Finance. They had previously reviewed a draft application. As an international body the application has been referred to the Foreign Ministry. A response is expected very soon.

**The Secretary** reported that at July 30th, IFIP has 51 Members with voting rights. The Admissions Committee will propose that Saudi Arabia be admitted to IFIP membership. The President and General Secretary continue to discuss with the Gulf Computer Confederation their application submitted last year. IFIP Executive Committee remains committed to increasing IFIP membership and always welcomes details of possible contacts for new members.

Andorra and Oman have resigned their membership since GA 2008.

**The Secretary** informed General Assembly that in accordance with IFIP's Statutes and Bylaws

- The membership of **Chile** ceased at the end of 2008 as they last paid their subscription in 2005.
- The membership of **France** will cease at the end of 2009 as they last paid their subscription in 2006. TC Chairs will hold their office until end of their term as they are elected at the background of an active Full Member society at the time of election.
- The memberships of **Botswana, Greece, Kenya and Zimbabwe** will be suspended at the end of 2009 having last paid in 2007. Representatives of these societies will be unable to participate in TCs and SGs or serve on IFIP's Board from January 2010 unless the outstanding sums are paid. Any elected officers from these countries will be deemed to have resigned at that date and will be replaced.

#### 4.3.5 EB Meeting Report

**Mr Johnson** said that IFIP's Executive Committee met on Saturday and the main issues considered were:

##### *IFIP Incorporation*

IFIP's auditors have sent the necessary documents to the Austrian Finance Ministry. The Finance Ministry had verbally agreed. They consulted the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and an answer is awaited.

##### *WITFOR 2009*

Executive Committee congratulated Leon Strous on the outcome from WITFOR 2009. For the future there needs to be a stronger structure to secure the future organisation of WITFOR. IFIP paid a share of the finances and advance payment of speakers. EC saw a strong need to create strategic alliances to obtain future financial support.

##### *Finances*

The Executive Committee requests Finance Committee to review IFIP's investment strategy including dividing the portfolio.

##### *IP3*

The Executive Committee agreed that if the proposed IP3 Board is approved by GA a clear set of Terms of Reference should be drafted in agreement with IP3

General Assembly **ACCEPTED** the report

#### 4.3.6 Treasurer's Report

**Mr Dundler** presented the Treasurer's report in absence of the Treasurer. He said that the 2008 accounts were maintained by the IFIP secretariat and audited in February 2008 by IFIP's Auditor in Vienna.

**Mr Dundler** presented a Profit / Loss Statement for IFIP's operation showing the changes in IFIP's Portfolio on a separate line (please see ANNEX 1)

##### *Financial statement for 2008 calendar year*

**Mr Dundler** reported that the 2008 Result, after amortisation and depreciation according to approved policies there was a deficit of 528K EUR. Compared with 2007, the 2008 Result showed a significant decrease in security evaluation of IFIP's portfolio investment (478K EUR). The operational Profit and Loss statement showed, after taking out the influence of the portfolio, a slight deficit of 41K EUR.

Summary financial results 2003 to 2008

Amounts are in thousand Euro (K EUR)

Statement of financial performance

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
Income	-174	335	397	739	359	568
Expenses	354	484	279	271	219	374
Result	-528	-149	117	467	140	194

## Statement of financial position

Assets	2366	2701	2609	2580	2171	2074
Liabilities	437	235	23	101	157	185
Funds	1929	2466	2585	2477	2013	1889

Source: 2003 - 2006 from Minutes GA 2008

Source: 2007 - 2008 Audited Balance Sheet and Income Statement 31/12/2008

## Portfolio

performance	-487	-20	117	265	78	102
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Source: UBS quarterly portfolio reports

## Financial performance excluding portfolio

Operating income	313	355	280	474	281	466
Expenses	354	484	279	271	219	374
Operating result	-41	-69	1	203	62	92

**Mr Dundler** reported that Total income was 313 K EUR, which is significantly lower than 2008 income. This was mainly due to a decrease in Proceeds from Activities, caused by the engagement of TCs in WCC2008.

Total expenses were 354 K EUR. Nearly all expense groups were in the same range than 2008, with the exception of IFIP's investment of 200K EUR in IP3. All TCs have positive balance available at end of 2008.

General Assembly unanimously **ACCEPTED** the 2008 audited accounts.

*Actual January – June 2009*

**Mr Dundler** informed General Assembly that IFIP's financial status for 1 January - July 2009 showed a surplus of 97K EUR. Total income was 229K EUR, which includes membership dues (170 800 EUR), Royalties from (32 166 EUR), Proceeds from Activities (43 639 EUR) and Return on Assets (-17 836 EUR). Total expenses for the period were 131 EUR.

The operational Profit and Loss statement (after eliminating the influence of the portfolio) shows a surplus of 115K EUR.

*Forecast for the 2009 calendar year*

**Mr Dundler** estimated a deficit for 2009 of 40K Euro in Operating Result (excl. Portfolio) and additional 17K EUR in the portfolio.

Total income is estimated with 309 K Euro, which includes membership dues (171K EUR), Royalties from Publications (74K EUR), Proceeds from Activities (81K EUR) and Return on Assets (-17K EUR).

Total expenses for 2009 are estimated with 367K EUR.

IFIP's financial performance in 2009 is generally in line with the 2009 budget and update as reported in September 2008 budget (with a slight increase in Proceeds from Activities, as this is a "non-WCC year"). Income, but also expenses are slightly above the previous year, which leads to nearly the same operating result as 2008.

At General Assembly in 2008, the treasurer estimated an on target budget year with a small surplus. The 2009 budget included a small positive portfolio performance. This did not eventuate, so we will end the year with a small operating deficit although our income from membership dues, royalties and proceeds from activities will be higher than the budgeted amounts. Proper project accounting would have shown the deficit was due to investment in IFIP's Digital Library and not due to overheads or negative business unit operations.

General Assembly **NOTED** the 2009 Forecast

#### *Budget 2010*

In preparing 2010 Budget, 2008 Actual Result and 2009 Budget Approved have been considered. **Mr Dundler** has also considered the budget requested by the different budget holders.

The 2010 budget implied total income of 312K EUR and total expenses of 452K EUR, thus giving a budgeted result of a deficit of 139K EUR. Royalties are estimated with 77K EUR, Dues from members with 172K EUR, Proceeds from Activities with 60K EUR and very conservatively Return on Assets with 4K EUR.

Major expenses are due to funded expenses, budgeted by technical committees for technical support and DCSC support and for projects as investment in the future:

- Technical Committees : 88.000
- Development Country Support : 15.000
- Marketing : 10.000
- WITFOR General: 20.000
- Strategic.Project 1: 2.500
- Strategic.Project 2: 10.500
- IP3 Travel Expense: 5.000
- Digital Library: 30.000
- AGORA: 10.000

General Assembly **ACCEPTED** the 2010 Budget.

#### **4.3.7 Finance Committee Report**

**Mr Brady** reported from the Finance Committee that due to personal circumstances affecting the Honorary Treasurer the financial report was not available in time for the Finance Committee to consider. Finance Committee was, however, able to clarify some aspects of presentation and misunderstanding in FC report before it was submitted to General Assembly.

The new accounting system installed at the secretariat is already showing some great benefit in terms of reporting. Finance Committee will continue to work with the Treasurer to look at ways of improving clarity of reporting – in particular, at more useful ways of representing the value of investments managed by UBS.

With regard to UBS investments, Finance Committee is taking advice, and will report on this matter to Spring Council 2010.

It has emerged that there is a need for increased clarity concerning the management and use of TC funds and related budgets. Finance Committee will work with TCs to lend clarity to this area, and to make suggestions for improvement where necessary.

**Mr Johnson** commented that IFIP should pay more attention to its portfolio and suggested that Finance Committee consider the option of splitting IFIP's portfolio between two different banks.

**The President** thanked Mr Brady for serving as Chair of the Finance Committee and his work as IFIP Councillor and was looking forward to seeing him as an active GA representative of Ireland at coming General Assembly meetings.

#### **4.4 Statutes & Bylaws, Elections, Awards and Admissions**

##### **4.4.1 Statutes and Bylaws**

**Mr Johnson** presented on behalf of the Statutes & Bylaws Committee two pairs of proposals. Proposals 1 and 2 amend the S&B to reflect incorporation under Austrian law as agreed last year. Proposal 3 removes anomalies consequent on last year's changes. Proposal 3 allows a Board member to complete their term as a Board member even if they cease to be a full member of GA. Proposal 4 would extend the current right of full GA members to propose amendments to S&B on behalf of their societies to individual Board members.

Proposal 1: (Article 2) Change the current wording "*The seat of the Federation shall be in Switzerland*" to "**The seat of the Federation shall be in Austria**".

Proposal 2: (Article 8) Change the current wording "*Anything not provided for in these Statutes shall be in accordance with Swiss Law on the subject*" to "**Anything not provided for in these Statutes shall be in accordance with Austrian Law on the subject**".

Proposal 3: (Article 4.1.1) Change the current wording "*In addition all Technical Committee and permanent Specialist Group Chairmen will serve as Ex-officio members for the duration of their terms of office*" to "**In addition all Councillors, Technical Committee and permanent Specialist Group Chairmen, if not a full member, will serve as Ex-officio members for the duration of their terms of office**".

Proposal 4: (Article 7) Change the current wording "*All proposals for modification of these Statutes ... must be submitted by at least one Full Member.*" to "**All proposals for modification of these Statutes ... must be submitted by at least one Full Member or Board member.**".

General Assembly unanimously **APPROVED** the proposals

##### **4.4.2 Election IFIP Officers and Councillors**

###### For President Elect

**Mr Johnson** informed General Assembly that the Nominations Committee for Officers had put forward the nominations of Messrs. Engel and Strous.

General Assembly **ELECTED**

**Mr Leon Strous** as President Elect.

For Vice Presidents

**Mr Johnson** informed General Assembly that there were two vacancies for Vice-President. The Nominations Committee had put forward the nominations of Messrs. Morel and Sawhney. There were two nominations from the floor: Messrs. Puigjaner and Wibe.

General Assembly **ELECTED**

**Mr Lalit Sawhney** as Vice President

**Mr Ramon Puigjaner** as Vice President

For Honorary Secretary Elect

**Mr Johnson** informed General Assembly that he will end his term as Honorary Secretary in 2010. There was one nomination from the floor: Ms Raffai.

General Assembly **ELECTED** unopposed

**Ms Maria Raffai** as Honorary Secretary Elect

For Councillor

**Mr Johnson** reported that there two vacancies for GA Elected Councillors. Nominations Committee received three nominations, Ms Raffai, Messrs Boyanov and Deschoolmeester. Ms Raiffai withdraw her nomination. From the floor three nominations came up, Messrs. Eschermann, Rannenberg and Wibe.

General Assembly **ELECTED**

Mr **Bernhard Eschermann** as Councillor

Mr **Kai Rannenberg** as Councillor

There was one vacation for Councillor elected by Member Societies. There were three nominations from the floor: Messrs. Boynton, Robertson and Wibe.

Member Societies **ELECTED**

Mr **Don Robertson** as Councillor

There was one vacation for Councillor appointed by the IFIP President.

The President **APPOINTED**

Mr **Jan Wibe** as Councillor

#### 4.4.3 Internal Awards

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

TC2 : Mr Stefan Biffi

TC2 : Ms Judith Bishop

TC2 : Mr Meersman

TC2 : Mr Nuseibeh

TC8 : Mr John Krogstie

TC8 : Mr A Min Tjoa

TC8 : Ms Isabel Ramos

Mr Charles Hughes

General Assembly **APPROVED** the nominations.

#### 4.4.4 Admissions Committee

**Mr Schlamberger** reported that Admissions Committee has been informed by the Sultan Qabos University that Oman cancelled its membership. The Committee has also been informed that the Computer Society of Andorra has been dissolved and consequently IFIP lost Andorra as member.

**Mr Schlamberger** informed General Assembly that the International Computer Driving License GCC Foundation, Gulf Countries Society indicated that it is not longer interested in IFIP membership as IFIP cannot grant GCS an exclusive status. IFIP's President and General Secretary will setup a telephone conference with GCS in order to clarify again the situation.

**Mr Schlamberger** reported that the Computer Engineering Chapter of the Saudi Council of Engineers, Saudi Arabia filed a request to join IFIP. General Assembly agreed that CEC has to present a confirmation that the Saudi Council will be the formal member of IFIP. This confirmation has been presented on the next day.

General Assembly **ACCEPTED** SCE (Saudi Arabia) as Full Member.

**Mr Schlamberger** informed General Assembly that interest to become IFIP Full Member has been indicated from Uruguay. This application was the direct result of efforts by the Regional Representative to South America, Councillor Ramón Puigjaner. The formal application is expected within the next months.

General Assembly **WELCOMED** the expression of interest.

**The President** thanked Mr Schlamberger for serving as Chair of the Admissions Committee and his work as IFIP Vice President and was looking forward to seeing him as an active GA representative of Slovenia at coming General Assembly meetings.

### 4.5 IFIP Strategy and Task Forces

#### 4.5.1 IFIP's Future Strategy

**Mr Strous** gave a brief overall view on the status of the projects included in IFIP's future Strategy. For the description of the projects is referred to the document that was approved at GA 2007 (IFIP Strategy, 26 August 2007).

- **Project 1. Dissemination of high quality knowledge in ICT.**

Champions: Chrisanthi Avgerou (TC-9 chair), Guy Leduc (TC-6 chair), Leon Strous

As agreed at TA and GA 2008 the draft of project 1 was re-circulated to the TCs on 15 September 2008. Hardly any comments have been received by the champions since then. The project was briefly discussed at the TC chair meeting on 6 February 2009. Given the lack of comments and input from the TC chairs before that meeting, the outcome and conclusion of that meeting was disappointing. The TC chairs concluded that the presented draft of the project was unexciting but a reasonable starting point. The chairs accepted that they could benefit from more and better information about the quality of their events but were afraid that this could lead to an undesired bureaucratic and mechanistic system of quality assurance. The chairs were to re-read the draft and indicate whether they would have objections to the draft. If not, the project could proceed.

**Mr Strous** informed General Assembly that the slow progress will not make it easy to meet the objectives in the five-year framework. After the Board meeting in March 2009, the champions made an attempt to take the goal of the project from a different perspective and with a different approach. This has been discussed in at least in TC-9 and TC-11.

- **Project 2. International reputation.**

Champions: Raymond Morel (ILC chair), Basie von Solms, Leon Strous

**Mr Strous** pointed out that the ILC (International Liaison Committee) is working on this project. He said that based on the experience with many contacts during the preparation phase of WITFOR 2009 it is essential to prioritise the contacts with other organizations and before putting a lot of effort and resources (mostly time, a bit of travel cost) in too many contacts, for each possible contacts a few basic questions should be answered:

- What is it that we expect from an organization (sort of cooperation, kind of activities to be involved in);
- What is it that we can / are prepared to offer in return;
- How much effort will the envisioned contact take.

- **Project 3. Member societies**

Champions: Jerry Engel

**Mr Strous** reminded General Assembly that at GA 2008 it was decided to merge projects 3.a.(Member societies: new services) and 3.b. (Member societies: public awareness) into one project 3 (Member societies) and to assign this project to the Membership Task Force chaired by Jerry Engel.

- **Project 4. Students.**

Champions: George Boynton

At GA 2008 George Boynton volunteered to champion this project. Due to late contacting of George Boynton by Leon Strous about the content and approach for this project, progress on this project is behind expectations.

- **Project 5. Practitioners.**

Champions: Charles Hughes (IP3 project leader), Roger Johnson

Project 5 is actually the IP3 project. Reporting on this project is done under a separate agenda item.

**Mr Strous'** overall impression was that for all projects the progress made is not enough to realize IFIP's ambitions in the five-year framework from the adoption of the strategy document. Either extra energy and time has to be put into the projects or the objectives and ambitions have to be reconsidered / adjusted.

#### 4.5.2 Task Force on Membership

**Mr Engel** presented his report on the Task Force on membership. The following issues are the basic assumptions for the Task force:

- IFIP must not directly compete with its member organizations.
- IFIP needs to provide benefits in areas where individual members are unable to do so.



- IFIP needs to adapt to a new world of computing societies
- IFIP membership must be tied to a financial model that reflects the current realities, and is adaptive to frequent change.

**Mr Engel** presented the following options for IFIP:

- Remain at the current procedure, with one member per country
- Require a national consortia for cases where a country has multiple societies wishing to join
- Multiple members per country

As a conclusion **Mr Engel** said that there is general agreement that the current model needs change, but the TF is waiting for results of the financial Task Force.

**Mr Puigjaner** declared that the TF did not reflect the opinion of the members of the Task Force, because the members of the Task Force were not involved in the work.

**Mr Bramer** said that there were controversial discussions about “one member per country”. He proposed to break out from the UNESCO model and to go a different way.

**Mr Rolstadas** said that the Task Force started probably on the wrong side. As a first step IFIP should figure out what are the benefits for a society joining IFIP and also should try to solve problems regarding membership dues and admissions criteria.

**Mr Eschermann** said the Task Force should find out what the specific role it is that candidates want to play within IFIP. He wished that the Task Force should work out one or two options and present them to General Assembly asking for decision.

**Ms Avgerou** said that as a first step it should be clear what has IFIP to offer its members.

**Mr Goldsworthy** warned IFIP about going away from the one member per country model. He suggested that IFIP should find answers of the fundamental questions: What business is IFIP in? What business does IFIP want to be in?

**Mr Johnson** agreed with the statements of Mr Goldsworthy and said that IFIP should not underestimate the risk of destroying the existing Member Societies structure. He suggested that IFIP should start with the question: What does IFIP want to achieve? He had the opinion that IFIP needs good visions and good ideas.

**Mr von Solms** instructed the Task Force to come up with a number of models / scenarios at next General Assembly for final decision.

**Mr Puigjaner** requested to resign from the Task Force, because he had lost confidence in its governance.

#### 4.5.3 Task Force on Finances

In absence of the Chair of the Task Force on Finances **Mr von Solms** informed General Assembly that the Task Force has not yet started to work and therefore nothing can be reported. **Mr von Solms** will investigate the composition of the Task Force.

#### 4.5.4 Task Force on Events Reporting

**Mr Bramer** explained the mission of the Events Reporting TF which is to obtain information about the delegates who attend IFIP TC and WG conferences etc., partly so that IFIP can give feedback to the national societies, but also as a basis for management decision making and (very importantly) so that TCs can create mailing lists for TCs and WGs to use to advertise their events. A further very important reason is to give IFIP a database of target delegates for major events, especially WCC.

**Mr Bramer** informed the Board that he has set up a very basic web-based system at <http://www.ifipevents.org/> that collects delegate information in a form to which virtually any package that organisers use should be able to export and which can easily be used for manual data entry for small non-computerised events. He has invited all TC Chairs to ask their event organisers to enter their delegate information into it for events held in the next few months as a pilot scheme.

In order to overcome legal constraints **Mr Bramer** suggested that IFIP should insist on ownership of the data and the organizer had to destroy the data. In order to solve this issue he proposed few changes in the Event Approval Guidelines and Event Request Forms.

**Mr Bramer** requested General Assembly to hand over the issue to the Executive Board to consider the benefits and to decide on it.

**Mr Brunnstein** supported the idea to get more statistical information about IFIP's events. He suggested not to decide in Executive Committee, but to hand over the issue to General Assembly to decide.

**Ms Avgerou** reminded on the necessity to think carefully about what data will be collected for what reason.

**Mr Sawhney** said that IFIP needs definitely very soon a decision on this matter in order to get basic information for marketing IFIP's events.

#### 4.5.5 Task Force on IFIP Foundation

**Mr Strous** reported that the issue has been discussed in the Task Force, in the Executive Committee as well; but there was no urgency. More urgency came up last time in connection with WITFOR.

The Task Force remain and keep in contact.

#### 4.5.6 CIO Forum

**Mr Sawhney** presented his report about the CIO Forum. He said that CIOs and other related IT practitioners are deeply involved in the application of Information Processing. There is an important need for those who are actively engaged in the application of IT to interact with those who are involved in its research and development. This could lead to a very meaningful "Industry-Academic" partnership with far-reaching benefits. Therefore, there is the need for a special effort to bring these constituents closer to IFIP.

**Mr Sawhney** presented the first findings of the Task Force, as currently there seems to be no truly international and independent body for CIOs/CTOs. Some regional CIO user groups do exist and also some National Societies , like IEEE-CS, ACM, are directly involved with CIO fraternity.

**Mr Sawhney** presented the first initial recommendations of the Task Force:

- Bringing in the User Community and IT services professionals
  - IFIP needs to provide opportunities to the large body of IT professionals – CIOs, CTOs, ERP practitioners, those working in user companies, in IT and IT-enabled service companies, and consulting firms to come together under the IFIP umbrella to collaborate with their academic and research colleagues.
- Events and Recognition
  - “Local” Workshops (25-50 participants) could be organized as a build-up to a larger annual conference, in locations where we are able to guarantee sufficient support for the initiative. These workshops could cover important durable topics and stay away from the latest fads. The quality of the content would differentiate the IFIP events from the others.
  - Annual Conference – IFIP could organize an Annual Global Conference once IFIP has gathered enough momentum through its workshops and other initiatives. Australia is hosting the WCC 2010 in Brisbane. This might be a good time to launch the first global conference, if IFIP has already had a few Regional events between Oct 2009 and March 2010. This full-day Conference would feature eminent international speakers (6-8), speaking in depth about the most relevant issues facing the CIO community globally. A panel discussion with distinguished participants could also be a part of the agenda.
  - Recognition – IFIP can also recognize the CIOs who have made the most significant contributions in the area of IT, through a recognition initiative. The recognition initiative could be an IFIP Distinguished Professional Award to 6-8 outstanding professionals each year. These chosen professionals would deliver a professional talk at the global event, which would be web-cast live. These talks would also be published in a commemorative volume, released at the recognition event. Timing-wise, the above Annual Conference and first Recognition initiative could tie in very well with the prestigious World Computer Congress 2010 being held in the Golden Jubilee year of IFIP, and could be managed by the WCC Program Committee.
- Publications, On-line Communities and the Digital Library
  - Quarterly Newsletter – A quarterly newsletter published and made available for download on the IFIP site. This newsletter will utilize the most relevant research from the existing TCs and WGs involved in topics directly relevant to this professional community. The newsletter can also be e-mailed to CIOs who subscribe on the website.
  - On-line Community for CIOs – A sub-site within the existing IFIP website can be created specifically for the Global CIO community, this site would give them the opportunity to interact with peers and share key learning and insights. This site could be linked to the IFIP, IEEE and ACM Digital Library and Journals, to provide additional value to the community.
- Professional Certification
  - Professional Development is an important focus area for CIOs/CTOs and other related IT practitioners. The International Professional Practice Partnership, IP3 can be leveraged in this regard. IP3 would give the IFIP CIO initiative further

relevance and credibility; in turn this program will also benefit from the industry support they will receive as a result of this initiative.

In time to come, this certification activity could be complemented with a virtual education academy, leading to accumulation of credits towards full-fledged certification.

**Mr Sawhney** said that the existing IFIP format of events and conferences may not appeal to the global CIO fraternity. Instead he proposed to install an Advisory Board for the IFIP President, which includes influential global CIOs, leaders of IT companies and IT services, leaders of consulting firms and heads of IT research Labs. This would help to align IFIP's offerings to the "real-world" needs of IT users, industry and professional community.

**Mr von Solms** thanked Mr Sawhney and proposed that the initiative should continue.

## **4.6 Congresses and Major Events**

### **4.6.1 WITFOR 2009**

**Mr Strous** reported that WITFOR 2009 in Hanoi, Vietnam with about 1500 registered participants from 70 countries was a big success. They represented a mixture of (high level) government delegates, industry, researchers and practitioners.

The programme included 7 plenary sessions, 30 parallel sessions and more than 100 speakers. As side events an exhibition and a networking event were organised. The event raised a high level public and private debate.

**Mr Strous** reported that WITFOR 2009 has been opened by the Vietnamese Prime-minister. The press informed before, during and also after the event. WITFOR 2009 was also present in TV and radio as well as in newspapers and journals.

**Mr Strous** informed General Assembly about issues from the WITFOR, which gives room for improvement in organising subsequent WITFORs:

- Continuity for next events
- Communication
- Guidelines / procedures
- Planning
- Marketing
- Financial model

**Mr von Solms** thanked Mr Strous and also Mr Long from VAIP for their effort to make WITFOR 2009 a success.

**Mr Puigjaner** recognized WITFOR 2009 also as a great personal success of Mr Strous.

### **4.6.2 WITFOR 2011**

**Mr Strous** informed General Assembly that for the moment he cannot announce a country for the next WITFOR, but he confirmed that a ministry of an Asian country is extremely interested to organize next WITFOR. Discussions on ministry level will continue.

#### 4.6.3 WCC 2010

**Mr Lloyd** informed General Assembly that the Organizing Committee of WCC 2010 has changed the PCO due to lack of support. He said that due to vacation time and also other circumstances some key commitments were not delivered as agreed resulting in tensions between LOC and IFIP. He confessed that various actions are being undertaken, but some issues may not be resolved to everyone's satisfaction. By end December, progress and success should be more clear.

**Mr Lloyd** was pleased to report that the Event Planner has already:

- negotiated favourable release dates that allows to grow the event in stages until as late as June 2010;
- booked approximately 500, three to five star hotel rooms in the vicinity;
- reserved additional meeting space near by in case it should be need;
- prepared a draft sponsorship proposal and held discussions with potential sales agents;
- worked with IFIP IPC Chair (Augusto Casaca) to meet the needs of both the IFIP IPC and Streams (discussed in detail at Hanoi IPC and GA meetings);
- met with Stream leads to get their call for topics underway;
- updated the budget with a focus on controlling costs;

At this time the only areas not under EP's purview are marketing and the web site which are being performed by LOC and resources under contracts held by the ACS.

**Mr Lloyd** reported that the budget will be tracked by the Event Planner. As requests for non-budgeted items have been rejected, the current budget is sound.

**Mr Lloyd** informed General Assembly that ACS has mandated that LOC use a part time paid project manager to interface between the ACS, LOC and EP. ACS will fund this officer separately to the WCC2010 budget and recoup costs from any profit the ACS makes from the event. The current project manager is Kylie-Anne Waugh. In addition ACS contracted a part time marketing person – Simon Kenworthy-Dell. ACS holds the contract and will pay for it and recoup costs from its share of Congress profits.

**Mr Lloyd** reported that WCC 2010 has currently has eight streams. A complex program of content comprising contributions from 17 sub-conferences from 13 Technical Committees, partner conferences and sponsor contributions is planned. The Treat IT stream is likely to proceed as IMIA has committed to the event.

**Mr Lloyd** informed General Assembly that although ACS and IFIP have not signed the contract following bid success, the formal commitment of is based on the contents of our original bid document and budget. The bid budget is considered the base line of our financial commitment to IFIP in terms of paying for speakers, international program committee costs etc.

Additionally, LOC has negotiated with IFIP to remove the traditional taxes embedded in the delegate fee. These included EUR 10 per delegate per day and charges for printing of proceedings. In lieu, IFIP was offered a \$50K licence fee and a share in profit like all the other partners. IFIP committed to this arrangement. These new arrangements provided the means to enter into profit sharing arrangements with partner conferences free of imbedded fees. Once the proceedings and profit share arrangements are settled, the ACS and IFIP will reflect all agreements and formalise the contract.

**Mr Lloyd** reported that the original Congress design placed great importance on securing mature partner conferences. EP is now moving the committed partners to MOUs and shifting interested parties to committed stakeholders. Many of these could sprinkle quality content across multiple streams.

**Mr Lloyd** informed General Assembly that EP and Laura Daniels (as a/Chairman LOC) met with the Queensland State Government and paperwork is underway to receive the \$150K plus GST grant. The Queensland State Government has offered to assist again with an approach to the Federal Government for matching sponsorship. EP's best market intelligence however is that the approach should come from ACS President using high level contacts. The IFIP President is willing to give his personal support in this area. The Prime Minister of Australia should open IFIP WCC2010 in his home town. ACS will seek the Premier's personal intervention in committing the Prime Minister to open the Congress and to secure the matching sponsorship.

**Mr Lloyd** reported that in order to overcome the tyranny of distance, Singapore, Hong Kong and NZ will be approached to run a one day event as a stop over activity on the way to WCC2010.

**Mr Boynton** reminded on the importance of marketing and requested full support of IFIP. He had concerns about the POC regarding experience like it is available on IFIP's side.

**Mr Casaca** informed General Assembly that IPC had its meeting in Hanoi on August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009. He reported that the following issues have been discussed and will need urgent actions:

- WCC'10 web site needs urgent updating.
- The CFP for the IFIP conferences should stay there exactly as provided by the conference chairs, either directly or through the IPC chair. An urgent action was requested to LOC to install the latest versions of each CFP in the web site.
- A better explanation of the relation between streams and conferences needs to be provided. **Mr Casaca** offered to do it together with the web site responsible as soon as LOC decides on this responsibility.
- A conference management tool for the web site was promised by LOC, but IPC still do not know when it will be available.
- When a conference has its own web site, the WCC'10 web site should have a link to the conference site.
- **Mr Casaca** indicated that there should be a single contact point, always available, to deal with the web site issues and other organizational matters. He is waiting for this indication from Mr Lloyd.
- Mr Lloyd will have a meeting with his team and EP soon to solve all these issues.
- It was reconfirmed that, at the moment, 11 conferences intend to use the EP system for paper reviewing, and that 6 other will use their own system.

**Mr Casaca** reported that some time ago it was already agreed that Springer will publish a book for each conference proceedings and would also include them in the Springer Link. The distribution of the proceedings at the conference location was discussed. It was agreed that either a USB pen drive or a book will be distributed to the registered participants without additional cost for them. This extra cost for the proceedings will be paid by IFIP. It needs to be worked out how to distinguish at registration at the IFIP conference participants who will get the proceedings free of charge. It needs also to be worked out how to deal with the conferences that prefer the distribution of books in the conference instead of pen drives or vice-versa. IFIP

will set a date (August 2<sup>nd</sup>) by which delegates must request their copy of the proceedings to ensure that LOC can deliver efficiently. Mr Hinchey is the publication chair.

**Mr Casaca** informed General Assembly that it was agreed that there is budget to support one invited speaker for each one of the 17 IFIP conferences. It is up to the conference program committee to decide who to invite and to make the respective invitation. The financial support is up to 2000 Australian dollars per speaker plus free registration based on arrival and receipts. He said that there is also budget to support 4 plenary speakers, who will be chosen jointly by IPC and LOC. There is still budget to support more 11 invited speakers, who will be predominantly allocated to the partner conferences and chosen by the stream committees.

**Mr Casaca** reported that there will be two co-chairs in each stream committee. One nominated by LOC and the other by IPC. All the IFIP conference chairs and partner conference chairs will belong to the stream committee that includes their conferences. The stream committees main role is to harmonize the co-location of the respective conferences in the final program and choosing the invited speakers for the partner conferences. All the matters related to the IFIP conferences (e.g. paper selection, session chairs, form of paper presentation, invited speakers) are up to the IPC. Other possible roles of the stream committee might be discussed between IPC and LOC.

**Mr Casaca** confirmed that the IPC meeting in Amsterdam on April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> is fixed. Two full days are allocated to this meeting where the WCC'10 program will be finalized. All the conference chairs (one per conference) should attend the meeting. It was raised that there are budget problems to fully fund the participants travel. This issue is being worked by Mr Brunnstein and Mr Lloyd, who hope to have a final proposal on this funding by December 2009.

Tutorials will be given on September 19<sup>th</sup> and Workshops can be organized on September 24<sup>th</sup>, immediately before and after the WCC'10. The IFIP conference organizers might make a call for tutorials and workshops within the themes (or related) of their conferences. A final selection of these tutorials and workshops will be done at the IPC meeting (and not on January 31<sup>st</sup> as indicated in the planning).

**Mr Casaca** requested that IPC needs urgent actions from Marketing Committee of IFIP to help to publicize WCC'10. IPC also requested to all conference organizers to make a wide publicity of the Call for Papers and WCC'10 through their usual channels. It is also assumed that ACS will do a major publicity effort in Australia and in the region for WCC'10 publicity.

**Mr von Solms** thanked Mr Lloyd and Mr Casaca for their hard work to make WCC 2010 a great success. He also thanked for the comprehensive report.

#### 4.6.4 IFIP Golden Jubilee

**Mr Brunnstein** reported on the planned activities to commemorate IFIP's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. He said that in 2010, the best will be IFIP World Computer Congress 2010, to be held in Brisbane/Australia (September 20-23, 2010). Other activities will be related to events organised by IFIP Technical Committees and Working Groups, where special contributions of TCs and WGs could be discussed: IFIP Technical Committees and Working Groups are asked to include commemorative and reflective

topics and sessions in their events in 2010. Moreover, IFIP's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary will also be a good opportunity for IFIP member societies to make themselves aware of the value which IFIP has for them, and their contributions to IFIP. For related discussions, including solving problems (if any), IFIP Member Societies are asked to include related discussions (e.g. with IFIP days) in their national events.

One major issue will be to honour IFIP Pioneers, both with IFIP Pioneer Day and an IFIP Pioneer Award, both jointly with IFIP WCC-2010 in Brisbane; this shall also be an opportunity to meet with those (past) presidents which have contributed to IFIP's development. In order to summarize the state-of-IFIP in its 50<sup>th</sup> year, a book "Half a Century of IFIP: The IFIP Golden Summary" will be prepared.

*IFIP WCC 2010: IFIP Pioneer Day and related activities*

IFIP Pioneer Day is being prepared by IFIP Honorary Member and past (IFIP and ACS) president Ashley Goldsworthy and his committee. Ashley and his committee have submitted their report "The Pioneer Experience" (see [ANNEX 2](#)), which has been updated following discussions at IFIP Board meeting in Delhi (March 2009). IFIP Pioneer Day includes

- a dedicated communication area, in ancient Australian style called "Gunyah", a traditional Australian Aboriginal dwelling, where exhibits, displays, profiles of pioneers and discussions esp. with pioneers are offered during the whole Congress;
- an opening address by Past President Heinz Zemanek (personal or presented by suitable media), and papers related to IFIP Pioneers presented at suitable sessions in WCC-2010;
- an newly established "IFIP Pioneer Award" to be given by IFIP president during Congress dinner; president will invite a nomination committee;
- in addition, Ashley and his committee are suggesting to establish an "IFIP scholarship in IT for an indigenous student". Funding is up for discussion.

In addition, IFIP WCC 2010 will also offer the opportunity to meet with those IFIP past presidents which have contributed to IFIP's development. Consequently, IFIP's President von Solms has suggested to invite past president also to discuss (possibly at the Gunyah) with participants about IFIP's experiences and to advise about future goals and developments.

Finally, it has been suggested to prepare and present an interview with Prof. Maurice Wilkes (who, as probably last living witness, made significant contributions to IFIP since first preparatory meetings in 1958). With advice of Roger Johnson, a professional scientific interviewer, experienced in interviewing pioneers in technological areas (with special experience on UK pioneer interviews), has been asked for advice.

As IFIP Pioneer Day was not included in invitations for application for IFIP World Computer Congress 2010 (and consequently not included in budget proposals of applicants), GA is asked to agree on a dedicated budget for IFIP Pioneer Day and IFIP Golden Jubilee activities.

*Publication "IFIP 50 Years"*

**Mr Brunnstein** said that following the footprint of the book edited by Prof. Heinz Zemanek at the occasion of IFIP's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 1985, Prof. Zemanek accepted to edit – together with Klaus Brunnstein – a book on "Half a Century of IFIP: The IFIP Golden Summary". Following IFIP's new strategy to support "open source", it is planned to start a database "IFIPs Living History" where all essential documents



should be accessible (as internally accessible document or, whenever possible, publicly to Member Societies and the IT community). In addition, subject to General Assembly's approval, a version to be printed by IFIP's publisher will be developed, for distribution to IFIP member societies and IFIP members (suggestion: 500 copies).

The following essential chapters are planned:

- introduction, IFIP and UNESCO, What is IFIP
- selected important papers,
- reflections and reminiscences, selected obituaries,
- invitation to TC chairs to summarize achievements of TCs and WGs

#### *Activities of IFIP with Member Societies*

In order to get active support of IFIP Member Societies for IFIP Golden Jubilee, and to improve interaction of IFIP and Member Societies, IFIP president is asked to invite Member Societies to include an "IFIP Day" in their national events, with IFIP supporting speakers (esp. including MS representatives in GA and TCs) to present their views to national audiences. Related speakers are asked to report about their activities and findings in General Assembly 2011.

#### *Budget for IFIP Golden Jubilee activities*

**Mr Brunstein** presented a detailed listing of budget items. It is suggested that the items are discussed and decided separately.

General Assembly **APPROVED** a total budget of 80.000 EURO.

General Assembly **ASKED** Executive Committee to clarify the issue of printing and distributing a book.

### **4.6.5 WCC 2012 and further WCCs**

**Mr von Solms** reminded General Assembly that it has decided that the future of IFIP's WCC program will be re-evaluated to determine if these series of international congresses should proceed after WCC 2010, and if so, in what way. As part of this re-evaluation process, General Assembly has decided that no invitations for WCC 2012 will be extended.

**Mr von Solms** said that his report briefly evaluates the situation, and will make a few proposals on which the future of WCCs may be built. For this report, a request for input was sent to all MSs and TCs, but very little resulted. The feedback received mostly concentrated on the ways in which future WCCs can be structured.

**Mr von Solms** presented a listing of the negative and the positive aspects related to WCCs over the years.

On the negative side the following problems inherent in the way WCCs are organized are:

- The concept of big generalized conferences has lost interest over the last 10 or so years, and smaller specialized conferences are preferred.
- Moving from a 3 year to a 2 year cycle a few years back, was in hind sight, maybe not a good decision.
- WCCs had, again at least in the last 10 years, not been an income generator for IFIP – in fact the financial success of the last 5 or more WCCs is strongly debatable.
- IFIP has suffered from 'corporate amnesia' in most of the cases, i.e. no real knowledge and data transfer has happened between organizers of WCCs. That

meant that the wheel was basically redeveloped for every WCC, with no record of lessons learnt and errors made.

- Although in most cases, some professional conference organizers were involved, the demand made on volunteers in IFIP to ensure a successful conference, had always been extremely big.

The positive aspects are:

- There can be no doubt that 'The IFIP World Computer Congress (WCC)' has become a brand name known and recognized internationally. It is debatable if any international IT type conference has the history of IFIP's WCC series. It goes back 50 years!
- IFIP should therefore treasure this asset, and leverage its potential value

**Mr von Solms** said that taking into account the Pros and Cons mentioned above, IFIP should be very careful to dump the WCC series summarily, but should ensure that the series is redesigned in such a way that the heritage of 50 years be leveraged.

**Mr von Solms** presented 5 suggestions for redesigning the World Computer Congress:

*Suggestion 1:* Move back to a 3 year cycle. Although this will cause overlap with WITFOR every 6 years, that should not be a big problem – in fact, as suggested later, some real synergy may be forthcoming in such 'joint years'.

*Suggestion 2:* Appoint a permanent long term Professional Conference Organizer (PCO) for a period of at last 3 cycles. Such a PCO will then become the 'corporate memory' of WCCs (and WITFORs if needed). Of course, such a PCO should be very experienced, and should have an international footprint.

*Suggestion 3:* IFIP does not go out on invitation to its members anymore to host a WCC. Rather, with the research input from the PCO, IFIP approached a specific member and enquires whether the member is willing to host the WCC

*Suggestion 4:* The format of WCCs be redesigned to fit the changing market. This will again be a responsibility of the contracted PCO.

*Suggestion 5:* Possible ways of redesigning WCC:

- expand the present idea of co-existing technical and industry streams
- negotiate with a TC to have the TC's annual event (in the specific year) co-located with the WCC, and concentrate/align the WCCs content relevant to the TC event
- negotiate with a Member Society to have the WCC co-located with the MS's annual event (in that specific year)
- negotiate with another international organization/body to have the WCC co-located with that body's annual event (in that specific year)

*The idea of a contract with a Professional Conference Organizer*

Basically this idea means that IFIP signs a contract with a PCO which has experience in organizing IT related events, and which has a footprint to operate internationally.

The challenge will be for the PCO to

- organize WCCs (and WITFORs?) on the cycle dates
- find sponsors to support the events
- provide continuity from event to event

- retain relevant data between events
- create procedures and processes for event management
- help IFIP to standardize on tools for paper management, refereeing etc
- standardize
- advise IFIP on possible international locations where they think the conference will be more successful than others

Different financial models are possible, for example

- IFIP pays the PCO a retaining (operations) fee and take all profits of a conference
- IFIP goes into a profit sharing agreement with the PCO and share in profits
- The PCO pays a fixed 'licencing fee' to IFIP, and takes all profit

The correct financial model will make it worthwhile or the PCO to get the best sponsors, determine the best locations and manipulate all other factors ensuring a good and profitable conference.

**Mr Casaca** warned GA that putting all into the hands of a PCO, IFIP will loose easily control of WCCs. He also mentioned that it will be necessary to put together scientific and industrial conferences.

**Mr Johnson** agreed with the position of Mr Casaca about a PCO. He had doubts that a PCO could be found at a price IFIP is thinking of.

**Mr Brunstein** had concerns about loosing the brand of the WCC. He said that the relationship between MS and TCs should be maintained and this synergy could be of better use for WCCs.

**Mr Bramer** said that IFIP needs a WCC, but the attraction to go there has to increase. He likes the idea of using a PCO.

**Ms Avgerou** said that the current form of the WCC needs to be changed. She said that there is a lot of knowledge within TCs and WGs; so maybe IFIP will find out that it is not necessary to outsource the congress.

**Mr Rolstadas** said that IFIP WCC is a good brand name and IFIP should look for market niches. He was always against the change from a 3-years period to a 2-years-period. IFIP should include specialist topics into WCC to make it more attractive. Member Societies needs to have ownership in order to avoid being in competition with WCC.

**Mr von Solms** said that he will collect all ideas and come back with a draft before next Board meeting.

## **4.7 Standing Committee Reports**

### **4.7.1 Technical Assembly**

**Mr Bramer** reported as Acting Chair of Technical Assembly in absence of Mr Hinchey. He informed General Assembly that most of the TC Chairs were present. Mike Hinchey (TC1), Ron Waxman (TC5), Guy Leduc (TC6), Jacques Henry (TC7), Annelise Pejtersen (TC13) have sent their apologies. He said that all TCs but TC1 and TC7 had sent their reports before TA meeting.

Mr Sawhney (for Marketing issues) and Mr Casaca (for WCC2010 issues) attended partly TA meeting.

**Mr Bramer** presented items of TCs which needed the attention of General Assembly:

TC1: No report was available and the Chair was not present at the meeting because of illness.

TC2: Some concerns had been expressed amongst TC2 members about IFIP and these were discussed within Technical Assembly.

TC3: TC3 is launching a project on the History of Computing in Education. It was suggested that they should seek to involve TC9 and TC12 in this.

The TC has available information on IT education around the world in IFIP member states. It was suggested that this was a valuable resource, which should be made more widely available.

The TC has introduced the concept of 'junior members' of a WG as a way of encouraging new (and generally younger) members to participate.

WCCE 2009 had been held in Brazil with 400 delegates.

It was also reported that UNESCO increasingly uses members of TC3 as expert advisers.

TC5: A proposal for the reconstitution of WG 5.1 with a new name and new aims and scope was approved.

It was agreed that TC5 would work with existing WGs (of other TCs) to look at the future role of e-governance in IFIP.

It was agreed that TC5 and TC12 would be invited to submit a joint proposal for the formation of a WG in Bioinformatics, with an appropriate aims and scope statement and a statement of which of the TCs would act as 'lead TC' for administrative purposes. It was hoped that this proposal would be provided in no more than one month from the date of the TA. It would then be circulated by the TA chair with all other TCs invited to indicate if they wished to become 'full partners' in the 'ownership' of the joint WG. In view of the need to avoid any further delay, following this the creation of the new WG would be put to an electronic vote, without waiting for the next face-to-face meeting of the TA. It was hoped this entire process would be completed within 2 months of the date of the TA.

TC6: Changes were agreed to the aims and scope of WG 6.2.

Changes were agreed to the aims and scope of WG 6.7.

Proposed changes to the name, aims and scope of WG6.11 were not approved. It was thought that the proposed new scope was much too wide for a WG and this was reflected in the excessively long proposed new name. The changes were referred back to TC6 for reconsideration.

The issue was raised of multiple submissions of papers to conferences, based on a recent incident. This led to a discussion of other possible and actual transgressions, such as plagiarism of the whole of another author's paper. It was agreed that a policy on publication should be formed and placed on the IFIP website (e.g. we accept only unpublished papers, if a paper is published elsewhere while it is being reviewed by

IFIP it must immediately be withdrawn). Linked with this is the need for a disciplinary panel and possibly an IFIP blacklist of authors. It was agreed that Bertrand Meyer would write to the Publications Committee on this topic on behalf of the TA.

TC7: No report was available and the Chair was not present the meeting. It was pointed out that the same seemed to have happened a year ago at the Milan TA/GA. The Acting Chair agreed to establish when TC7 last made a report and to act appropriately.

TC8: The TC Chair expressed the view that WG 8.8 was in danger of becoming disconnected from the IFIP community. She would keep its position under review.

TC9: It was agreed to support a change in the name of TC9 to 'ICT and Society', subject to ratification by the GA.

General Assembly **APPROVED** the change of the name.

A change of name for WG 9.8 to 'Gender Diversity and ICT' was approved.

TC10: It was reported that WG10.4 has two new SIGs: 'Education in Resilient Computing' and 'Concepts and Ontology'.

TC11: It was agreed to support a change in the aims and scope of TC11, subject to ratification by the GA.

General Assembly **APPROVED** the change in the aims and scope.

Changes were agreed to the name, aims and scope of WG 11.2, which is now entitled 'Pervasive Systems Security'.

TC12: The Chair stated that this was his last meeting of the TA as he was about to step down as TC Chair at the end of his second three-year term of office. He had enjoyed his period as Chair and had found the TC Chairs to be a stimulating and interesting group of colleagues to work with. He wished them all well for the future.

TC13: The Chair was not present but a report had been provided.

TC14: There were no items requiring formal approval by the TA.

**Mr Bramer** reported that TA has agreed that the Chair of TA should write to TC chairs making it clear that their reports are expected to be sent to the Secretariat at least three weeks in advance of each TA meeting. The need to improve the presentation of TC reports was discussed and it was suggested that the TA should look at the template for reports previously circulated by Leon Strous (now Vice-President).

**Mr Bramer** informed General Assembly that Augusto Casaca joined the TA for a wide-ranging discussion about WCC 2010. Technical Assembly received the same information as written in the report to General Assembly (see item 4.6.3 of these minutes).

**Mr von Solms** gave the strong advice to GA to check the position of TC7, because it has not shown up for a long time.

#### 4.7.2 Activity Management Board

In absence of the Chair of AMB **Mr von Solms** presented the AMB report. AMB was charged by the Board to deal with three items: definition of a procedure to allow Secretariat and Event Organizers to handle events via web; proposal of a conference management system to be used by TCs and WGs; proposal of a reference structure for a MOU to be used in connection with the approved events.

##### *Event Web Procedure*

A first version of the procedure has been presented to the Board in Delhi and was further refined in the following months. The Secretariat has started asking for bids on the implementation and AMB will probably be able to make a selection end of 2009.

##### *Conference Management System*

Information collected from the TCs who already use an own system has been distributed to TCs. AMB is not taking a position with respect to the various tools. TCs or WGs may choose the tool they believe to be most appropriate to satisfy their needs.

##### *MOU*

AMB presented the MOU statement that has been developed by IEEE to cover the financial aspects of the events organized by its societies and committees. AMB believed it is a good starting point to arrive at a specific IFIP document that should be developed with input from the Board, the Finance Committee and Technical Assembly.

**The President** thanked Mr Frisiani in absence for serving as Chair of the Activity Management Board and his work as IFIP Councillor and was looking forward to seeing him as an active GA representative of Italy at coming General Assembly meetings.

#### 4.7.3 Developing Countries Support Committee

**Ms Avgerou** reported that following the GA discussion on the DCSC plan in August 2008, DCSC action in the past year focused on three areas: supporting DC participation in TC events; collecting information from TCs on IFIP activities in DCs; organizing events for strengthening ICT research capabilities in DCs; organizing an event aiming at knowledge transfer from stronger member societies to DC societies.

**Ms Avgerou** presented the use of available funding to support DC participation in the events of TCs. After GA meeting in Milan 2008 the DCSC Chair asked the TCs to submit requests for up to 2000 Euros per TC for 2009. The following requests were received:

- TC2: 2000 to assist speakers for the 5th IFIP Summer School, taking place in Cape Town in March 2009;
- TC3: 2000 Euros, to assist participants at the WCCE 2009, Brazil end of July 2009;
- TC7: 2000 Euros to assist students from Latin American countries participate in an event organized by Hugo Scolnik in Brazil;
- TC8: has asked to transfer its 2009 quota of 2000 Euros to 2010 to assist participants in the PhD consortium organized in conjunction with ECIS, June 2010 in Pretoria;

- TC9: 2000 Euros for the WG9.4 conference on IT and Development in Dubai, May 2009;
- TC11: 2000 Euros to assist delegates from developing countries to the Sec 2009 in Cyprus;
- TC12: 2000 Euros for the TC12/WG12.5 conference AIAI-2009, in Thessaloniki, Greece, April 2009.

**Ms Avgerou** informed General Assembly that DCSC has compiled a report on the TCs' activities in developing countries – see ANNEX 3.

**Ms Avgerou** reported that in addition to assisting research students, academics and practitioners from developing countries to participate in IFIP conferences, the DCSC in its plan of action identified the need to assist in the development of research capabilities in DCs. The rationale for such action is based on the observation that research by DC scholars is rarely published in highly ranked international journals. Even in special issues on developing countries only a small fraction of published papers have authors from DCs.

On Dec 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008, Chrisanthi Avgerou and Leon Straus met in Paris with Ted Stohr, chair of the AIS SIG on Global Development and Gianluca Miscione from the International Institute for Geo-Information Science and Earth Observation (ITC) and discussed possibilities for joint efforts to raise funding for organizing research capabilities development in developing countries. As a result of this meeting IFIP is partner in a research network building proposal to the EuropeanAid EU programme. IFIP will also organize a workshop in Uganda, on 22-23 March 2010, to explore arguments of African intellectuals and research centres on the role of ICT for Africa's development. Some of the DCSC existing funds may be used to support this event.

**Ms Avgerou** reported that another area of action in the 2008 DCSC plan was strengthening the development of institutions regarding the diffusion of ICT and their social consequences. Specifically, DCSC had identified the need to provide assistance for the effective operations of computer societies, other professional ICT organizations, data protection agencies, etc. Subsequently DCSC explored the possibilities of organizing a meeting with SEARC member societies in New Delhi, and a meeting with DC member societies representatives in Hanoi, prior to the GA, but neither of these materialized.

**Ms Avgerou** requested to increase the number of members of DCSC.

**Mr Brunnstein** congratulated Ms Avgerou for the broadening of the scope of Developing Countries Support Committee.

#### 4.7.4 Marketing Committee

**Mr Sawhney** presented the report of the Marketing Committee and showed a few important roles that the Marketing Committee is expected to play.

##### *Promoting IFIP's major conferences*

This is a major expectation from some of the major conferences which go beyond TC boundaries, and do not have a committed client base within IFIP, e.g. the World Computer Congresses, WITFOR, etc.. IFIP needs to deliberate how the IFIP secretariat, the Marketing Committee, the Executive Board or any of the other standing committees like the Developing Countries Support Committee / Member

Society Relations Committee can help the conference organizers in marketing such major events, and the preparatory effort required for the same.

*Marketing IFIP Internationally in new geographies and new constituencies*

While some of the largest computer societies are IFIP members, there are many countries of the world which are not IFIP members. Similarly, while IFIP has a good representation amongst the Academia and the Research communities in ICT around the world, some constituencies are not very actively involved, e.g. the CIOs, or the ICT industry. IFIP needs to work with the Member Society Relations Committee and the Developing Countries Support Committee to reach out to prospective members and geographical groupings, to promote IFIP membership. More countries may join IFIP if our products / value proposition are properly presented. However this will need aggressive marketing by experienced, senior IFIP volunteers traveling to these countries with credible and attractive sales collaterals.

The issue of reaching out to CIOs was explored by a Task Force (please see item 4.5.6 of these minutes.

*Communication with its Members and Member Societies*

**Mr Sawhney** said that the MC is responsible for communications with IFIP members, members of Member Societies, Affiliate Members like IMIA and VLDB and sister Federations like CEPIS and SEARCC. The MC has to see how it can provide a regular flow of information between IFIP Member Societies and IFIP, and also reach out to the larger academic, research and professional community outside the MS membership, e.g. the highlights of our WGs / TCs' events, and major congresses, WITFOR, etc. need to be publicized in the printed publications of our member societies.

*Using our Web presence more effectively*

**Mr Sawhney** said that as part of the efforts to market IFIP more effectively amongst the IFIP constituency and beyond, IFIP needs to have the IFIP Web-site lead to all our constituents' digital presence – TCs, WGs, Digital Library, IFIP conferences, Affiliated Organizations and Member Societies' web-sites, and the other way round - from all these sites to lead to the IFIP web-site. In addition, IFIP needs to ensure that all these web-sites are up and running 24x7 and easily accessible from all over the world, e.g. some of these web-sites are hosted by volunteers on their respective organizations' servers and some times their locations are moved and / or their URLs are temporarily inaccessible.

In order to achieve this IFIP will need the co-operation of all the senior professionals who manage our web presence in their respective areas, as TCs, WGs, IFIP secretariat, MS, UNESCO, ITU etc..

Of course, there is the bigger issue of making our IFIP web-site more effective and the need to drive traffic to our web-site. This requires our web-site to be more useful and attractive, have dynamic content, interactivity which facilitates collaboration between all our members – Member societies, TCs, WGs, affiliates and partners - so that we all 'need' to use the IFIP site whenever we think of IFIP, or perform any IFIP-related activity. This will need a major effort to develop a new, contemporary web-site using the latest technology, and a committed resource to gather content from the greater IFIP world and keep it fresh and relevant. IFIP could consider getting a commercial sponsor to fund this development effort.

*The new IFIP Brochure*

**Mr Sawhney** reported that one of the Marketing activities MC had initiated, was to print a new brochure to introduce IFIP around the world, to prospective members, to



National Societies and at various IFIP events. The intention is to make it the most highly circulated printed leaflet in IFIP in the next one year.

After a lot of effort at getting the content from various sources and reconciling the different ideas, the brochure is finally ready for launch at this General Assembly in Hanoi. Once this is circulated all over IFIP, the TCs, WGs and the Member Societies, MC expects to get feedback from around the world in the next 3 months. It also lists down all the key people who can be approached by potential members and participants in our activities. Marketing Committee would welcome all views on how well this brochure fulfills its need.

#### *Members' Expectations from IFIP*

**Mr Sawhney** said that before IFIP can launch a 'relevant' marketing effort, all of members of IFIP need to be clear about what our members want from IFIP, and re-check how our current offerings align with our members' expectations. To elicit the requirements of our stake-holders, MC has prepared two questionnaires (one for Member Societies and one for TCs / WGs). These questionnaires will be sent out soon, and hopefully all these useful inputs will help the Board Members and Chairs of the various Standing Committees and Task Forces, and the Technical Committees to calibrate the future plans for their respective areas, in line with the members' requirements.

**Mr von Solms** thanked Mr Sawhney for the report and also for the effort he had personally invested in the creation of the new IFIP brochure.

#### **4.7.5 Publications Committee**

**Mr Turner** drew attention to his report and said that important work has been accomplished during the past year, mainly:

##### *Implementation of the IFIP Digital Library*

**Mr Turner** reported that all IFIP publications published by Springer in 2007 and 2008, plus three 2008 proceedings not published by Springer, are in IFIP's Digital Library. All available remaining publications from prior years were supposed to be in the DL by 31 March 2009, but they have not yet been added. It was agreed that new publications are to be added within eight weeks of receipt of the electronic files by the DL managers, but the operations in 2009 have been hindered by the change in Springer publications management.

A new agreement with the ACS for operation and maintenance of the Digital Library was completed in December 2008 and became effective January 1, 2009. The agreement approved at the 2008 GA meeting was accepted by the ACS without modification. The agreement is effective until modified by mutual agreement or terminated by either party with at least six months advance notice.

##### *Current publications operations*

In early February Springer informed IFIP that a management decision had been made to close the Springer Norwell/Boston office (the office managing IFIP publications) effective April 30, 2009, and to transfer the work on the IFIP Main series from Norwell to Heidelberg. It appears that the transition has been smooth for editors of IFIP proceedings.

The Heidelberg group that will manage the Main Series for the remainder of the current contract (and likely under the new contract as well) is the same group that

manages the Springer LNCS Series. Thus there will now be a single point of contact for all IFIP publications published by Springer, and the templates and submission procedures for the IFIP Main and IFIP LNCS series will be the same. Some additional advantages of the new management are that the books will be typeset, and such things as tables of contents, running heads, and page numbers will be generated by the Springer editorial staff. There no longer will be a need to submit camera-ready copy, nor a pdf file of the entire volume.

The new management group in Heidelberg suggested some immediate changes in the IFIP Main Series, which have now been implemented:

- A name change to something that is more descriptive of the series content and more attractive from a professional and marketing perspective was requested. Issue/volume numbers and the series name will be prominently displayed on the cover, title page, and spine, and the name of the conference (for a proceedings) also will be prominently displayed on the cover.
- The Publications Committee discussed a series name and recommended the name “Advances in Information and Communication Technology” (AICT) to the IFIP Board at its meeting in Delhi. The Board approved this name, and books published in the “Main” series since May have the designation “IFIP AICT” with an issue number prominently printed on the book cover.
- Create an editorial board for the series, even if the board functions in name only. The Publications Committee recommended a procedure for appointing the AICT Editorial Board to the IFIP Board during its meeting in Delhi. This procedure was approved by the IFIP Board, and the AICT Editorial Board has been formed through an appointment from each TC, with the Editor-in-Chief appointed by the IFIP President.  
The listing of the AICT Editorial Board will be included in the front material of each AICT book published beginning in late September. A meeting of the Editorial Board jointly with the Publications Committee has been scheduled prior to the GA meeting in Hanoi.
- Include information about the AICT Series on the back cover of each issue/volume. This was implemented in May.

#### *Renewal of the publications contract*

**Mr Turner** reported that a group representing IFIP met with a group of Springer representatives on 9 February 2009 in Heidelberg. President von Solms was unable to attend, and appointed Leon Strous to lead the IFIP delegation, which also included Eduard Dundler and Joe Turner. The lead for Springer was Alfred Hofmann, and also included Erika Siebert-Cole, the primary contact for IFIP publications and technical editor, and Ursula Barth. The meeting was held in Heidelberg because IFIP had requested that moving its publications management to a location in Europe should provide many advantages for IFIP because of the location of IFIP’s Secretariat and many IFIP conferences in Europe.

Although a substantial part of the meeting was devoted to discussion of issues and procedures relative to the transfer of IFIP publications management from Springer Norwell/Boston to Springer-Verlag in Heidelberg, substantial discussions relative to the new contract were conducted and were cordial and professional. Each point in the goals and terms for the new contract that IFIP submitted in advance was discussed. Springer was requested to provide terms for a new contract in writing before the time of the Board meeting.

An outline of some terms was received shortly before the IFIP Board meeting in March, and an additional meeting was held in Heidelberg on May 5. Again, substantial agreement was reached on the terms of a new contract, and a proposed contract was to be provided by Springer by July 1. Because of the press of a very busy summer, Springer has not been able to provide a proposal before this General Assembly meeting. At this time there is no reason to doubt that agreement will not be reached on the new contract within the next month or two.

**Mr Turner** informed General Assembly that a separate agreement was negotiated for the WCC 2010 proceedings. The parameters on possible options were given to the TCs and to the WCC 2010 management for a decision regarding distribution of the proceedings.

#### *Plans and ongoing work*

- Continued development of the DL.

Work to establish normal operating procedures for the IFIP Digital Library will continue, with modifications as needed for the transition to the Springer Heidelberg office. These efforts include providing more direct linkage from the DL to full text in SpringerLink. It is likely that the ACS DL management will have to make significant modifications to the procedures for adding entries to the DL, because the nature of the electronic files that will be available from Springer Heidelberg is different from what has been provided by Springer Norwell. The templates for use by e-only publications also will be reviewed.

**Mr Turner** said that it is essential that a financial model be developed for sustaining the operation of the DL. A decision is requested as to responsibility for developing a DL financial model.

- Establishment of a new publications contract.

Negotiations will continue to work out the details of a new publications contract with Springer.

- Updating the IFIP web site.

Revised documents to reflect the change to Springer Heidelberg will be placed on the IFIP web site as soon as the procedures have been established.

**Mr Puigjaner** suggested that the IFIP Publisher should resume attending General Assembly.

**Mr von Solms** thanked Mr Turner for the report and for all the effort he and his team had put into the elaboration of a new publications contract with Springer.

#### **4.7.6 International Liaison Committee**

**Mr Morel** presented his report on the activities of the International Liaison Committee (ILC):

##### *UNESCO*

The work with UNESCO is split with Bernard Cornu, Eduard Dundler and Raymond Morel. Mr Cornu gave a report of his actions at the last TC3 annual meeting (July 2009 in Bento Gonçalves). The report is included in the TC3 report. Mr Dundler takes care of the representation of IFIP inside UNESCO and reported that IFIP has formal consultative status within UNESCO.

Raymond Morel had some contacts in Geneva during “WSIS-Forum” last May 2009 with UNESCO decision-makers. At this occasion UNESCO opened the new collaborative platform <http://wsis-community.org>. This social networking platform has been designed to enhance the information flow and encourage collaboration between its community members by enabling them to connect with other members of compatible interests and skills, so as to communicate, share information and develop common ideas in a managed, protected environment.

**Mr Morel** reported that UNESCO is interested to know more on IP3. This request will be followed up by ILC together with the IP3 group.

**Mr Morel** reported that other contacts for WITFOR ‘09 were established by Leon Strous.

#### *The Digital Solidarity Lyon Conference*

**Mr Morel** reported that he has visited the World Conference for Digital Solidarity held in Lyon on 24 November 2008. This was the first international event organized by the World Digital Solidarity with the support of institutional partners such as the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, the Grand Lyon, the Rhone Alps region and the Digital Solidarity Fund, the President of the Senegal Republic and many politics and media representatives.

#### *EU Paradise FP7*

**Mr Morel** reported that he also visited in January at Brussels the Paradiso Conference of the European Union, where the links with the EU projects were discussed.

**Mr Morel** informed General Assembly that among such so many meetings (sometimes with conflicts) it’s impossible to cover alone the whole spectrum (time, competencies, interests, etc.) and it’s necessary to select. As usual the individual contacts have very usfull and in that sense, IFIP had connections with :

- IGF (Internet Governance Forum): Jacques Berleur represented IFIP in the 3.Forum in India.
- ITU : always interested by IP3; we should ask for a status of Associated member
- UNESCO: some action lines like Access for all, Ethics, Lifelong learning, etc.
- Infodev / Worldbank in partnership with UNESCO and attracting some industry key players like Intel, Microsoft, TCS (Tata Consultancy Services), Cisco, etc.
- GAID (Global Alliance for ICT and Development) : IFIP should be working closer with them. A proposal of a MoU is under development.
- CSTD (UN Commission on Science and Technology for Development) : same remark + link with ICSU

#### *The IFIP AGORA initiative on LifeLong Learning in 2009*

Relating to AGORA activities this year (see AGORA report in these minutes), there are always good opportunities to link IFIP with International bodies and to create new occasions of promoting IFIP missions.

#### *Next steps*

**Mr Morel** said that according that not only two or three persons can reach the objectives of ILC and considering the fact that plenty of IFIP collaborators (TCs chairs or members, WGs chairs or members, DCSC, Marketing Committee, etc) should contribute without strong difficulties to improve the network, he revived a proposal done by Leon Strous before the last Amsterdam Board in the section IFIP

Strategy on the topic International Reputation. The two key issues to discuss were and still are :

- 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.

**Mr Brunstein** said that the WISI participation of IFIP is a significant improvement in international connections of IFIP.

**Mr Johnson** reminded TC Chairs to come up with proposals for projects with UNESCO.

#### **4.7.7 Membership Society Relations Committee**

**Mr Schlamberger** reported that the Admissions Committee and the Membership Society Relations Committee have been merged. His report on behalf the Committee can be found at item 4.4.4. in these minutes.

**Mr Holan** made a presentation of the Computer Engineering Chapter of the Saudi Council of Engineers, Saudi Arabia.

### **4.8 Affiliate Members**

#### **4.8.1 CEPIS**

**Mr Brady** presented the CEPIS report to General Assembly and said that CEPIS has a membership of currently 36 member societies representing ICT professionals in 33 countries and represents about 300.000 informatics professionals.

CEPIS is celebrating 2009 as the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding. To highlight the contributions of CEPIS over the past 20 years, a number of activities are planned. Among the events planned, CEPIS will support a high-level conference held by the European Commission and European Economic and Social Committee on Professionalism and eSkills. CEPIS will also organize a special strategy meeting for the Presidents of CEPIS member societies and Past Presidents.

As part of the anniversary event, CEPIS will produce a special issue of its bi-monthly e-journal "UPGRADE". This will reflect on the core achievements of CEPIS provided through the perspectives of CEPIS Past Presidents.

**Mr Brady** said that CEPIS continues to promote EUCIP as a European Standard for Informatics Professionals.

CEPIS has become a member of European Centre for Women in Technology and supports the various EC initiatives designed to increase the participation of women in ICT careers.

**Mr Brady** reported that ECDL had the privilege of presenting the 9 millionth Skills Card to the President of the European Commission, Jose Manuel Baroso. The purpose of the meeting and presentation was the highlight the success of ECDL and stress the importance of digital literacy for employability and sustainable growth.

**Mr Brady** reported that was a key partner in the now completed Euro-Inf project (EQANIE). The project investigated the different approaches to the accreditation of

informatics higher education courses in European Member states. EQANIE is a non-profit organisation founded in January 2009, whose mission is to promote the implementation of quality assessment practice for informatics education systems in Europe.

**Mr Brady** said that CEPIS is a member of the Advisory Committee of the eSkills Industry Leadership Board and in this capacity shapes the development and implementation of a long term e-skills and digital literacy agenda in Europe.

**Mr Brady** reported that the Professionalism Taskforce is a key element of CEPIS strategy.

**Mr Brady** again offered to the IFIP Board to use CEPIS premises in Brussels for meetings.

#### 4.8.2 SEARCC

**Mr Karunaratne** briefed General Assembly about some recent developments in the South East Asian Pacific Region.

He reported that SEARCC has currently 8 Members; six of them are in addition IFIP members. The current President of SEARCC is Prof. Krishan Aggarwal from India.

SEARCC 2010 will be in Brisbane hosted by the Australian Computer Society (ACS), jointly with WCC 2010.

SEARCC introduces the IP3 accreditation program led by the Australian Computer Society (ACS).

#### 4.8.3 IMIA

**Mr Takeda**, Vice President of IMIA (International Medical Informatics Association) reported about developments and plans within IMIA.

The current President of IMIA is Reinhold Haux from the Director Peter L. Reichertz Institute for Medical Informatics Technical University of Braunschweig & Hannover Medical School. The President Elect is Mr Antoine Geissbuhler, Professor of Medical Informatics, Chairman of the Department of Radiology and Medical Informatics at Geneva University, Director of the Division of Medical Informatics at Geneva University Hospitals, President of the Health-On-the-Net Foundation.

The next IMIA General Assembly will take place at Hiroshima, Japan, International Conference Center.

**Mr Takeda** informed General Assembly that Cape Town, South Africa will host the 13th International Congress on Medical Informatics from the 12 - 15 of September 2010. This will be the first time MEDINFO is held in Africa.

**Mr Takeda** was proud to report that the 1<sup>st</sup> IFIP – IMIA International eHealth Joint Conference will be held in connection with WCC 2010 in Brisbane, Australia in 2010. Program Committee Chairs are Mr Takeda (IMIA) and Mr Avram (IFIP).

## 4.9 Projects

### 4.9.1 International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3)

**Mr Johnson** presented the report on IP3 on behalf of Greg Lane (Chair of IP3). **Mr Johnson** reminded General Assembly of the vision of IP3, which is to create an international IT profession equivalent in prestige and structure to other established professions. IP3's mission is a global partnership that will strengthen the global IT profession and contribute to the development of strong international economies. To carry out this mission, IP3 works closely with its member bodies and partners who share IP3's commitment to creating a sound global IT profession.

**Mr Johnson** explained the IP3 Business Plan and Strategic Themes to General Assembly, which were to:

- Ensure long-term organizational stability (incl. governance, finance, membership, product/services)
- Achieve recognition as THE international professional standards setting (and accrediting) body
- Establish business driven market pull for professional certification from the broader IT community.
- Be recognized (and influential) voice for the global IT profession
- Create a global infrastructure to:
  - encourage and support the development of both practitioners and employer organizations and
  - give recognition to individuals who meet and maintain the required standards for knowledge, experience, competence and integrity

**Mr Johnson** was glad to inform General Assembly that 3 new members joined IP3 in July 2009: CSSA (South Africa), IPSJ (Japan) and NZCS (New Zealand). The founding members are IFIP, ACS (Australia), BCS (UK), CIPS (Canada) and IEEE-CS (USA).

**Mr Johnson** reported about the problems in getting international sponsorship. It is difficult to get cash sponsorship in this economic recession. IP3 is considering supporting activities in Developing Countries. IP3 is a member of the Culminis alliance which is a not-for-profit Global Federation of Groups of IT Professionals.

**Mr Johnson** reported on the marketing and communications issues of IP3: IP3 was and is presented in IFIP Newsletters and Press Releases. There were two Presentations (and delegate flyer) at WITFOR 2009. IP3 runs a Website hosted by IFIP with regular new content. IP3 has developed a Partner Development Programme to support new and prospective members. An European Update meeting hosted by CEPIS is planned in late autumn and a meeting on Professional Regulation Worldwide is planned in Spring 2010 in Europe.

**Mr Johnson** explained to General Assembly the need to install an IP3 governance structure for greater clarity in decision making. IP3 proposed the following structure of its Board and requested formal approval by General Assembly:

- Permanent IFIP seat
- Representatives from 4 "founding societies"
- Up to three members elected by other IP3 member societies
- Up to 3 co-opted members

**Mr Johnson** presented the next immediate steps and activities over next 6 months:

- Implement Board structure
- Obtain trademark protection
- Implement Business Plan actions according to priority and resources available
  
- Work with CEPIS to promote IP3 in Europe
- Plan Launch of Developing Countries programme with possible participation by TC9
- Create IP3 Distinguished Fellow award

After discussion General Assembly **AGREED**

1. to approve the 'IP3 Board' proposal as an interim management structure for the IP3 project
2. to ask IFIP Executive Committee to work with IFIP member societies represented in IP3 to prepare a set of Terms of Reference to regulate the longer term operation of the IP3 project and its relationship to other IFIP bodies.

The Terms of Reference are to be presented to, and if thought appropriate approved by, the IFIP 2010 Board meeting in Sofia.

#### 4.9.2 AGORA

**Mr Morel** drew attention to his report about AGORA InitiativeS and gave an overview about the initiative on Lifelong Learning. He showed the history of AGORA events starting with October 2006 in France to the forthcoming 11<sup>th</sup> AGORA event in 2010 in Brisbane.

**Mr Morel** reported that at WCCE 2009 in Bento Gonzalves, Brasil AGORA played an important role, as there were 1 paper session on Lifelong Learning, 5 workshops and 1 panel. These activities resulted in 2009 AGORA "STUDIOS - ATELIER" for

- Community Learning Centres in Australia
- Community Multimedia Centre Facilitating Learning (Radio, Computer, Meeting Centre) in Uruguay
- Town WIKIS in Germany
- Create a new school library and establish a new role for the school librarians
- MELKORKA – Merging learning activities and ICT in a situated subject teaching – developing schools to be learning organisations
- DigilessionsVO ( secondary education) 30 teachers are in professional development aiming at arranging digital learning materials for their students
- "Open classrooms" in English around the world improving teaching – making different people live together and to include all in discussions.

**Mr Morel** reported that AGORA has been presented in the Education Commission of WITFOR 2009 in the session "Education for all" with a presentation of Jan Wibe and Raymond Morel. In the session "Open Educational Resources" Bernard Cornu and Raymond Morel presented an AGORA contribution.

**Mr Morel** informed General Assembly about the next steps of AGORA:

- run AGORA Krakow Seminar in October 2009
- elaborate the final UNESCO ANDIL report 08-09

**Mr Morel** requested to consider opening now Ateliers and Studios on

- KCKS (key competencies for the Knowledge Society)



- e-inclusion / e-participation
- How to promote LLL in a non LLL education system ?
- Criteria for a sustainable education
- The «cyber-facilitator» for sustainable education
- .... etc....

The AGORA plans for 2010 include

- Event 1 Spring 2010 Sofia connected to the Board meeting following the New Delhi model
- Event 2 In combinations with the WG 3.1, WG 3.3, WG 3.5, WG 3.8 and SIG 3.9 during Amiens conference in June-July 2010
- Event 3 Brisbane in connection with WCC 2010 as part of WCC'2010 with KCKS

**Mr Morel** presented his observations :

- IFIP is able to collaborate with a great number and a diversity of bodies ==> activities (in their field) of TCs and WGs increasing external bodies
- After more than 2 years, it appears that the IFIP AGORA initiative on Lifelong Learning is quite successful, leading to several fruitful meetings and enabling transverse cooperation between Working Groups and Technical Committees in IFIP, and with other external partners and organizations. Having transverse activities, leading to co-operation between several TCs, is a good way for reinforcing the reflection and activities of IFIP, and for addressing the new questions of the Information society.
- According to the new IFIP strategy, the AGORA team (after a deep reflexion during the last TC3 executive meeting in Poitiers, December 2008) suggest that the name IFIP AGORA Initiative is kept as a generic term for transverse IFIP reflections and actions.
- For instance, there could be new transverse activities such as:
  - The IFIP AGORA Initiative on Security
  - The IFIP AGORA Initiative on Digital Solidarity / Developing Countries
  - The IFIP AGORA Initiative on Governance / Ethics / Code of Conduct
  - The IFIP AGORA Initiative on Sustainable Development
- On each domain above we could suggest for example to have at least 3 to 4 TC/WG different with 1-2 external bodies preparing an activity (panels, workshops, etc.) to be included inside WCC'2010.
- After WITFOR 2009 it is more and more evident that ICT in the real World is NOT organised in technical committees working vertically as a serie of silos
- IFIP should become gradually a LEARNING ORGANISATION able to collaborate not only with Some External Bodies (NGO, MS, Private sector, Agencies, etc) but also in between the different parts of its structure i.e. at least TCs and WGs
- There is a great opportunity to use WCC'2010 to promote strongly this spirit (need of empowerment from EC).

#### **4.10 Other Business**

##### **4.10.1 SEOUL ACCORD**

**Mr Turner** reported that the Seoul Accord, established on 6 December 2008, is an accord for the mutual recognition of accreditation for computing programmes. It is similar to the International Engineering Alliance (IEA) accords (Washington Accord, Sydney Accord, Dublin Accord) for engineering programmes in structure and purpose, and its foundation documents are similar to those of the IEA accords.

The six founding signatories (members) of the accord are:

- ABET, Inc. (USA)
- Accreditation Board for Engineering Education Korea (ABEEK)
- Australian Computer Society (ACS)
- British Computer Society (BCS)
- Canadian Information Processing Society (CIPS)
- Japan Accreditation Board for Engineering Education (JABEE)

The following two additional members were admitted at the June 2009 General Meeting of the accord:

- Hong Kong Institute of Engineers (HKIE)
- Institute for Engineering Education of Taiwan (IEET)

Membership in the accord is available to non-governmental accreditation agencies for undergraduate computing programmes. Acceptance to accord membership requires that an accreditation agency demonstrate accreditation processes that ensure preparation for professional computing practice meeting the standards established for accord members.

#### **4.11 Future Meetings**

The next meetings are:

2010

Board March 4 - 6<sup>th</sup>, Sofia, Bulgaria

GA September 24 - 26<sup>th</sup>, Brisbane, Australia (following WCC 2010)

2011

Board March, Dublin, Ireland

GA September invitations are invited

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

#### **4.12 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.

## 4.13 ANNEX 1: Profit/Loss Statement

Aug 11th, 2009

**IFIP Profit / Loss Statement**

	2007	2008	Budget '09	Act.2009 (01 -06)	Est. 2009	Prop 2010
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>355.921</b>	<b>312.824</b>	<b>297.725</b>	<b>246.604</b>	<b>326.318</b>	<b>308.550</b>
<b>Dues from Members</b>	<b>156.400</b>	<b>162.800</b>	<b>165.600</b>	<b>170.800</b>	<b>170.800</b>	<b>172.000</b>
<b>Royalties from Publications</b>	<b>94.440</b>	<b>85.594</b>	<b>64.900</b>	<b>32.166</b>	<b>74.275</b>	<b>76.750</b>
<b>Proceeds from Activities</b>	<b>105.081</b>	<b>64.430</b>	<b>67.225</b>	<b>43.639</b>	<b>81.243</b>	<b>59.800</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>484.300</b>	<b>354.134</b>	<b>389.280</b>	<b>131.457</b>	<b>367.170</b>	<b>451.615</b>
<b>Admin.Secretariat</b>	<b>192.833</b>	<b>209.530</b>	<b>249.000</b>	<b>101.052</b>	<b>224.525</b>	<b>242.000</b>
<b>Government Supp.</b>	<b>-25.435</b>	<b>-25.435</b>	<b>-25.500</b>	<b>-12.718</b>	<b>-25.435</b>	<b>-25.435</b>
<b>Admin.Support</b>	<b>30.081</b>	<b>72.029</b>	<b>40.000</b>	<b>25.879</b>	<b>82.800</b>	<b>69.000</b>
<b>Technical Committees</b>	<b>49.896</b>	<b>52.794</b>	<b>89.200</b>	<b>23.079</b>	<b>44.700</b>	<b>88.050</b>
<b>DCSC Supp to TC Events</b>	<b>1.500</b>	<b>2.600</b>	<b>20.000</b>	<b>3.000</b>	<b>10.000</b>	<b>15.000</b>
<b>Projects</b>	<b>234.625</b>	<b>36.616</b>	<b>16.580</b>	<b>-8.835</b>	<b>18.580</b>	<b>58.000</b>
<b>Loss of Receivables</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>6.000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12.000</b>	<b>5.000</b>
<b>PROFIT / LOSS (excl. Portfolio)</b>	<b>-128.379</b>	<b>-41.310</b>	<b>-91.555</b>	<b>115.147</b>	<b>-40.852</b>	<b>-143.065</b>
<b>Return On Assets</b>	<b>-20.440</b>	<b>-487.069</b>	<b>97.000</b>	<b>-17.836</b>	<b>-17.000</b>	<b>4.000</b>
<b>PROFIT / LOSS (incl. Portfolio)</b>	<b>-148.819</b>	<b>-528.379</b>	<b>5.445</b>	<b>97.312</b>	<b>-57.852</b>	<b>-139.065</b>

**4.14 ANNEX 2: The Pioneer Experience (Ashley Goldsworthy)****THE PIONEER EXPERIENCE**  
**PIONEERS AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS**

An IFIP Computer Pioneer is one who, through active participation in IFIP Technical Committees or related IFIP groups, has made outstanding contributions to the theoretical, technical, commercial or professional aspects of computing.

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The Pioneer Experience during the 21<sup>st</sup> World Computer Congress in Brisbane, Monday 20- Thursday 23 September 2010 will comprise:

- 1 The Pioneer Gunyah (a traditional Australian Aboriginal dwelling) - a room which will include static displays of artefacts, photographs and text documents of computer and communications equipment of novel historical interest and importance. The artefacts will be gathered from various museums and other sources in Australia.
- 2 Profiles of IFIP Computer Pioneers and their pioneering contributions. These profiles will be featured in the Gunyah and also presented throughout the venue. It is proposed to print one high quality bound volume of the Pioneers List to be presented to the President of IFIP at the Congress dinner. Lists of pioneers on large paper printouts will be displayed on the walls of the Gunyah and perhaps throughout the Congress (on various media). It is proposed that 100 less expensive copies of the list in bound form be produced for distribution and also that copies be given to delegates.

With respect to the original definition of "Pioneers", following further deliberations within IFIP it was decided to concentrate on "IFIP Pioneers" to focus attention on the contributions made by people working in and through IFIP and to restrict the number of names. To this end the definition of those to be included in the list was amended to the following-

"An IFIP Computer Pioneer is one who, through active participation in IFIP Technical Committees or related IFIP groups, has made outstanding contributions to the theoretical, technical, commercial or professional aspects of computing."

It should be noted that that including "professional" as an aspect of computing meets a requirement of IFIP that admits those who have promoted computing as a profession with implications of professionalism, professional societies, etc. (e.g. IFIP Presidents).

We have now sought from TC Chairmen the names of 3-5 people whom they believe should be included in such a list. We have sought in conjunction a description for each person in approx. 20 words of the nature of their contribution. TC Chairmen have been asked to provide their list by 30th November 2009.

- 3 The presentation in the Gunyah of perhaps one or two papers highlighting the significant contributions made by individual pioneers.

- 4 "Pioneer Conversations"- IFIP Pioneers who attend Congress make themselves available for up to one hour in Gunyah to "converse" with delegates (and others, e.g. school children).
- 5 IFIP Pioneer Award for distinguished service in the development of IT, to be chosen by IFIP.
- 6 A significant feature of the Congress dinner would be the presentation by the President of the inaugural IFIP Pioneer Award.
- 7 It is proposed that as part of the Opening Ceremony that a brief (10 mins) presentation be made by Professor Heinz Zemanek, IFIP Honorary Member and past IFIP President. We are taking the precaution of assuming that Heinz will not be able to travel to the Congress and are proposing that we record his presentation (asap) on a DVD. The DVD would also be displayed in the Gunyah throughout the Congress. (He was appointed an IBM Fellow in 1973 and is a computer pioneer, known primarily for building the first computer working entirely on transistors, called Mailüfterl, in 1955. The name (Austrian German for 'May Breeze') is a word play on Whirlwind, a famous computer developed by the MIT between 1945 and 1951. In 1954, he supervised a thesis, in the course of which the LRR1 was developed, probably the only logical machine ever built in Austria. He will celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in 2010.)
- 8 Discussions are being held with the University of Queensland as to the possibility of establishing a continuing IFIP scholarship in IT for an indigenous student. This would obviously require a funding commitment from IFIP and perhaps the Australian Computer Society. Another option is to establish a fund the income from which would support an annual IFIP Award to an indigenous student in IT.
- 9 It was decided we needed two budgets- a Basic Budget and a Supplementary Budget.

The Basic Budget is A\$8K and is to cover fit-out of Gunyah; (\$5K); production of a high quality bound volume of the Pioneers List (\$1K) (to be presented to the President of IFIP at the Congress dinner); production of the pioneer list on large paper printouts to be displayed on walls of Gunyah (\$500) and elsewhere throughout the Congress, and contingencies (\$1500). It was proposed that 100 less expensive copies of the list in bound form be produced for distribution and also that copies be given to delegates.

The Supplementary Budget comprises-

	A\$
Transport of artefacts to Congress	5,000
Produce DVD	2,000
Signage, mounting of photos, etc.	1,000
Contingencies	<u>2,000</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$10,000</u>

**Unless we get a clear indication of adequate funds being available the Committee will have no option but to withdraw from the Pioneer Experience.**

10	Timetable	
	Confirmation of availability of room for Gunyah	Aug 2009
	Identification of artefacts, photographs etc	Oct 2009
	Design of Gunyah	Nov 2009
	Production of Zemanek DVD	Nov 2009
	Finalisation of list of pioneers	Dec 2009
	Production of list of pioneers	Dec 2009
	Selection of 1 or 2 papers to be given as part of event	April 2010

Ashley Goldsworthy 16 7 09

#### 4.15 ANNEX 3: IFIP Activities in Developing Countries

##### IFIP ACTIVITIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

IFIP is committed to assisting developing countries participate in international efforts for the advancement and effective utilization of ICT. About half of IFIP's member societies are either in developing regions (Asia, Africa, Latin America) or the emerging economies of Central and Eastern Europe. Major IFIP conferences, such as the World Computer Congress (WCC) and the World Congress on Computers in Education (WCCE), are often hosted by member societies in developing countries: WCC2000 in China, WCC2006 in Chile, WCCE2006 in South Africa, WCCE2009 in Brazil.

In 2003 IFIP launched WITFOR, a biannual conference on ICT policy for development organized in collaboration with national governments of developing countries. So far WITFOR was hosted by the governments of Lithuania in 2003; Botswana in 2005; Ethiopia in 2007; Vietnam in 2009.

Three Technical Committees have working groups and specialist interest groups dedicated to the study of issues concerning ICT and development:

- WG 6.9 on *Communications Systems for Developing Countries* was launched in 2003 (previously task force since 2001) and has held conferences in LaPaz (Bolivia), Cali (Colombia), San José (Costa Rica) and Pelotas (Brazil).
- WG 9.4 on *Social implications of ICT in developing countries* was launched in 1987 and since then has held conferences in India (twice), Kenya, Egypt, Cuba, Thailand, Malaysia, South Africa (twice), Nigeria, Brazil, and Dubai.
- SIG 13.1 on *Interaction Design and International Development* was launched in 2008.

Most Technical Committees hold regularly activities oriented to the concerns of developing countries:

- The TC2 Academy (awkwardly named TC2 "Summer" School) targets developing countries and so far was successfully held in Brazil (2004), South Africa (2006), and Thailand (2008).
- TC6 organizes teaching activities in DC, such as: Tutorials in Maputo, Mozambique (2007) and a Summer School in Pretoria (2008); it also organizes tutorials jointly with the Computer Latin American Societies CLEI and LANC
- TC6 also organizes two series of conferences: the biannual (odd years) Latin American Networking Conference (LANC), which aims to encouraging Network Research in Latin America, and the biannual (even years) Wireless Communications and IT in DC (WCITD), which is a forum for technical and scientific interaction between people of the developing and the developed world in a process of bridging both scientific and cultural differences and thereby promotes mutual understanding.
- In TC10, WG 10.4 runs a bi-annual conference series called LADC (Latin American Dependable Computing Conference), the last of which took place in September 2007 in Mexico; and WG 10.5 in cooperation with the Brazilian Computer Society runs an annual conference series called SBCCI (Symposium on Integrated Circuits and System Design (<http://www.sbc.org.br/sbccci>)). The last SBCCI took place in September 2008 in Gramado, Brazil, the next will be in September 2008 in Natal, Brazil.

Almost all technical committees organize sporadic events in developing countries. Indicatively:

- TC6 organized a conference on Women and IT in the WCC 2006, Santiago de Chile, and has sponsored various other events held in developing countries, like

LANOMS and E-LEARNING AFRICA. TC6 plans to organize its flagship conference, NETWORKING 2010 in Chennai (India).

- TC8 plans a doctoral consortium jointly with European Conference in Information Society (ECIS) in Pretoria.
- WG9.3 on Home Informatics held a very successful conference in Chennai, India in 2007. In 2008 the flagship conference of TC9, the *Human Choice and Computers* on the theme of ICT policy was held in Pretoria, South Africa.
- WG 10.4's 2 annual meetings were held in Natal, Brazil, in February 2008. The technical program included a two day Workshop on Dependability in Large-Scale and Dynamic Systems organized together with the Federal University of Bahia, Brazil.
- TC11 is involved in setting up a school of information science in Hi Chi Minh City, Vietnam.
- TC-11's flagship conference was already twice in South Africa, 1995 and 2007.

Most Technical Committees offer modest travel grants to developing countries' participants in their events. Some use such funding for students from developing countries, others consider requests from paper authors.

### **The Developing Countries Support Committee**

IFIP has established the Developing Countries Support Committee (DCSC) to oversee its activities concerning developing countries. Currently the members of the DCSC are: Chrisanthi Avgerou (chair) Leon Strous, Raymond Morel, Abiodun Bada, Bogale Demissie, Dinesh Satrukalsighe. The Committee identified four areas of action:

- a. **Strengthening institutions of ICT.** To provide assistance for the effective operations of computer societies, other professional ICT organizations, data protection agencies, etc. Such action may take the form of organizing regional meetings for member societies with invited speakers/advisors from more established societies with advanced ICT sectors and uses. IFIP may also continue to assist the establishment of professional ICT societies in countries where such institutions do not exist.
- b. **Education.** To develop a programme of 'training of trainers' on a range of ICT related topics. This can take the form of intensive short programmes (two to three weeks) for the dissemination of state-of-the art knowledge to educators of tertiary level colleges.
- c. **Research.** To leverage existing TC research of relevance to developing countries by organizing conferences that draw from multiple WGs across the spectrum of technology and social themes. A series of high profile conferences of mixed technology and social issues content may be organized on areas such as ICT services offshoring, ICT and poverty alleviation, ICT and public sector reform, etc.
- d. **Practice.** To promote effective practices of ICT enabled innovation. We can see this in conjunction to the IT professionalism initiative, addressing more precisely specific developing countries and regional needs.
- e. **Policy.** To raise awareness about government action regarding ICT. IFIP's efforts in the area of ICT policy should concentrate on WITFOR and the projects stemming from it.