Minutes of CiE 2020 General Assembly
July 2, 2020, Salerno (taking place online due to the COVID-19 emergency)

Members present:
Andreas Weiermann
Olga Petrovska
Russell Miller
Lorenzo Galeotti
Anuj Dawar
Johanna Franklin
Merlin Carl
Gianluca Della Vedova
Elvira Mayordomo
Marcella Anselmo
Klaus Meer
Florin Manea
Jarkko Kari
Mariya Soskova
Arno Pauly
Nikolay Bazhenov
Rosalba Zizza
Mathieu Hoyrup
Manuela Flores
Claudio Andres Callejas Olguin
Pavel Semukhin
Riccardo Dondi
Ulrich Berger
Vasco Brattka
Alexandra Soskova
Benedikt Loewe
Peter van Emde Boas
Martin Ziegler
Laura Crosilla
Liesbeth De mol
Lars Kristiansen
Johann Makowsky
Arnold Beckmann
David Fernandez-Duque
Olivier Bournez

Dag Normann
Giuseppe Primiero
Paola Bonizzoni
Rocco Zaccagnino
Carlo Di Giampaolo
Chiara Epifanio
Daniel Graca
David Belanger
Giovanna Guaiana
Josiah Jacobsen-Grocott
Joel Day
Giuditta Franco
Marianna Antonutti Marfori
Marina Madonia
Matthias Schroeder
Olivier Finkel
Stefan Siemer
Steffen Lempp

1. Opening meeting: The general secretary, Giuseppe Primiero (GP), opens the meeting at 17.30 and gives an overview of the agenda. Benedikt Loewe (BL) make an order of motion to sign on the Teams for attendance purposes; GP stresses that screenshots of the list of participant on the Zoom platform have been taken. The attendance list at the top of these minutes is an integration among the two.

2. The president's report.

2.a Paola Bonizzoni (PB first thanks the local organizers and PC chairs for their great organization of CiE 2020 under these especially difficult circumstances.

2.b PB gives an overview of her term as President:

- past CiEs,
- the legal registration of the Association
- the opening of the bank account
- the institution of the S. Barry Cooper Award, the Committee and the first awardee at   CiE2020
- thanks the EC, the Council and the Members of the Association for their support during her Presidency
- closes with some comments on the current situation, and the meaning of doing science and being free

BL recalls that at the time of selecting the new President for this term it was hard to find a candidate, and while PB initially accepted until her term as member of the Council in 2018, she stayed for two more years. BL thanks PB, the whole Assembly thanks PB in return for her service to the Association.

3. The secretary's report

3.a. Minutes 2019: GP mentions that the minutes of the 2019 AGM are available at:
http://www.acie.eu/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/agm2019.minutes.pdf

3.b. DLMPST GA: *ACiE* has voted at the General Assembly of DLMPST to select the organizers and location of the XVIIth Congress on Logic; Methodology and Philosophy of Science (CLMPST), which will take place in Buenos Aires, Argentina from 24 to 29 July 2023.

GP asks BL if he wishes to say few words in his role as SG of DLMPST: BL stresses that little contribution is present at CLMPST on computational aspects, and encourages members of ACiE to participate.

4. The CS SC Chair's Report

4.a. CiE 2020 Salerno FM gives some numbers of the conference.

* There were six invited talks, two tutorials, six special sessions (5 x 4 talks, 1 x 3 talks), 38 contributed talks (only 5 less than 2019) and then the Women in Computability workshop.

* The LNCS proceedings (Springer) are volume 12098. FM remarks that he would like to count the average number of LNCS pubblications between CiE volumes. The editors of this year's LNCS proceedings are: Marcella Anselmo, Gianluca Della Vedova, Florin Manea, Arno Pauly. The volume contains: 44 papers: 23 contributed papers (out of 49 submissions; last year: 20/35), 21 invited papers and abstracts; 15 informal presentations (23 in 2019). FM stresses the importance of the informal presentation as a way to present as yet not ready for publication work.

* 300 registered participants (online); mostly no more than around 80 in most sessions (in   line with usual CiE numbers).

* FM thanks the University of Salerno, the PC chairs Marcella Anselmo and Arno Pauly, the PC (2+25 members), 46 external reviewers; the organisers of the Special Sessions, and the chairs of the sessions for keeping the discussion active and interesting; the organizing committee: Marcella Anselmo (Co-chair), Gianluca Della Vedova (Co-chair), Manuela Flores, Rocco Zaccagnino, Rosalba Zizza, and all the local helpers. The sponsors: ACM's Women in Computing, ASL, HaPoC, the CS Department of the University of Salerno, GNCS--INdAM, and Springer.

4.b. The conference series

* new member added to the steering committee: Russell Miller (NYC)

* CiE 2021 will be held in Ghent, 5-9/07/21. PC-Chairs: Liesbeth De Mol (Lille), Andreas Weiermann (Ghent) – see below point 9 for details.

* FM calls for proposals for the coming years: 2022, 2023, 2024 and stresses that the SC has started a serious discussion about virtual and hybrid forms of organization and participation to the Conference.

* FM thanks all participants for their participation in the conference

5. The Treasurer's Report
The treasurer, Dag Normann (DN), gives an overview of the finances of the association.

- Balance reported to the AGM-2019: EUR 2.826,33.
- Balance as of June 22, 2020: EUR 2.880,72.
- EUR 6,84 from the Springer branch in Switzerland not yet transferred (lower limit of EUR 10.00 for a transfer)
- Only source of income royalties from Springer Verlag for issues in our book series: EUR 316,51.
- Expenses:
  EUR 67,50 membership to DLMPST
  EUR 29,28 website
  EUR 86,27 URLs
  expenses related to the bank account: third trimester-fee ca. EUR 26 expected on 03/07
- The CiE-account holds the sponsor money for WiC in addition to the figures reported here.
- The positive result of the association for 2019/20 is approximately EUR 28

PB recalls that the EC has discussed and suggested the opening of a PayPal account which could be used to facilitate donations to the association. EM stresses this is also easy to link to the conference registration; given CiE registration fees are usually low with respect to other conference, it should be feasible to make donations, with a suggested amount of 20-30EUR. Peter van Emde Boas (PvEB) recalls that now the payments for the URL are visible in the association's financial reports, and that despite the cost these should be preserved, as they allow to maintain a trace of the historical evolution of the Association.

6. The Membership Official's Report
Olivier Bournez (OB) reports on the memebrship.

- As of 26 June 2020 the association has 1263 members.
- 11 members more than at the last AGM In 2019. This mostly correspond to spontaneous queries done on the web interface of people willing to become member of the association.
- Participants to CIE 2020 that are not yet members of the association are strongly invited to apply for membership: http://www.lix.polytechnique.fr/CIE/
- Members of the association will receive by default the letter of the association, and have a free open access to the journal "Computability" of the association.
- Data update of members is possible through the link available in the newsletter, or contacting the Membership Official.

7. The Publications' Report
This report is presented by Elvira Mayordomo (EM) and Vasco Brattka (VB).

7.a. The book series EM explains that the book series has five titles published this far and one book which is about to appear, plus three more in the working. EM reviews the list of published books so far, the editorial board and advisory board. EM points out that she understands that writing a book is not an easy thing to do but the series offers careful assessment and reviewing of submitted projects and invites the members to propose their book projects for this series. EM adds that publishing a

book in this Springer series is also a service to the community because royalties are currently the only souce of income for the Association.

7.b. The Computability journal. VB shows the journal's website (http://www.computability.de/journal/). It is explained that the journal has three managing editors, one editor-in-chief, and an impressive list of editors (details available at the link). The Journal is indexed in the major databases, although it is still not in the full WoS, but an application has been made again. VB shows submission data, with number of submissions increasing and proportionally acceptance rate decreasing. High-quality submissions are welcome and authors who have a paper in the CiE LNCS proceedings are encouraged to submit extended versions of their papers to the journal. It is emphasized that members have free access to the journal.

8. Elections
GP announces there are five vacant places in the council and five nominations:

- Lorenzo Galeotti (Amsterdam)
- Janos Makowsky (Haifa)
- Florin Manea (Goettingen)
- Giuseppe Primiero (Milan)
- Martin Ziegler (Daejeon)

Each of the nominated members has accepted the nomination. GP asks if further nominations are made: none is made. The he mentions that as by article N of the Constitution, as there are as many candidates as available seats, and no objection is raised at this meeting concerning the nominees, election occurs by acclamation the nominated members are welcomed as new AciE council members.

GP announces there are three vacant places as Offices in the council and three nominations:

- President: Elvira Mayordomo (Zaragoza)
- Chair of the Conference Series Steering Committee: Florin Manea (Goettingen)
- Secretary General: Giuseppe Primiero (Milan)

Each of the nominated members has accepted the nomination. GP asks if further nominations are made: none is made. GP stresses that the current online version of the AGM requires that voting on the Offices be made online if secrecy is to be preserved. BL asks whether there is anyone in the Assembly who opposes nomination by acclamation (non-secret), as there are only as many nominees as vacant places. Arno Pauly (AP) is confident no one opposes and everyone is thankful to the people who accepted the nomination as official for the work they are willing to offer to the Association. No one opposes. The AGM approves of the nominations and congratulates the newly elected officials: EM is elected until the end of her term as Member of the Council (2022), FM and GP are elected until 2024. EM, FM and GP all thank PB and the Assembly for the trust in them, and hope to bring new energy in the future years of ACiE. DN asks to take the word: as senior member of the Association, he recalls how he met with Paola and Elvira at the AGM in Siena, and thus worked with them for 13 years; DN thanks Paola for her Presidency, and EM for her availability in the new role, knowing he will work well with her.

9. CiE 2021 in Ghent July 5-9, 2021.
Presented by Andreas Weiermann (AW). Presentation follows with an overview of

1. Location
2. Local Organizing Committee
3. PC
4. the work already done by the PC, including: 6 invited plenary speakers (1 accepted: Laura Crosilla, University of Oslo); 2 invited tutorial speakers; 4 Social Sessions Topics decided + 1 HaPoC Special Session (in discussion within the HaPoC Council) and 1 Biocomputing Session (to be defined).

PvEB asks whether the period has been checked for other concomitant conferences; FM says that the issue has been considered and Gianluca della Vedova has done a thorough search and no other relevant conferences seem to have been planned in that week.

9. Varia
GP asks if there are any other business.

EM wants again to thank PB as now former president and PB wishes to thank again the Organization of CIE2020, in particular Rosalba Zizza, Rocco Zaccagnino and Carlo di Giampaolo for their work, as well as Marcella Anselmo and Arno Pauly, chairs of the Conference. PB also wants to remember Barry Cooper.

Marcella Anselmo thanks everyone for attending and wishes we can meet soon in presence in Salerno.

GP closes the GA at 19:00.