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**EURON Board / advisory meeting**  
**17-18 March 2006**  
**Palermo, Italy**

**Participants:**

Henrik Christensen (coord), KTH, SE	Philippe Reynaert, European Commission, BE
Hirochika Inoue (advisor) JSPS/AIST, JP	Lynne Parker (advisor) UTK, USA
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Raja Chatila, CNRS-LAAS, FR	Paolo Dario, SSSA, IT
Heinz Woern, UKA, DE	Milena Zeithamlova, ActionM Agency
Herman Bruyninckx, KUL, BE	Guido Bugmann, UPLYM, UK
Alicia Casals, UPC, ES	Jorge Dias, ISR, PT
Rüdiger Dillmann, UKA, DE	Frans Groen, UVA, NL
John Hallam, SDU, DK	Martin Hägele, FhG IPA, DE
Kostas Kyriakopoulos, NTUA, GR	Erwin Prassler, GPS, DE
Libor Preucil, CTU, CZ	Juha Röning, UOULU, SF
Miguel Salichs, UC3M, ES	Roland Siegwart, EPFL, CH
Bruno Siciliano, UNINA, IT	Markus Vincze, ACIN, AT

The following questions raised by the Coordinator were discussed during the meeting:

## **1 EURON Annual Meeting 2007**

Suggested venue: Greece (Crete as the first preference). Kostas Kyriakopoulos will investigate the different possibilities and present more details on the next board meeting.

Date: end of February 2007. The exact date will be decided later.

## **2 EUROS 2008**

Suggested venue: Prague, CZ.

Libor Preucil together with a representative from Action M Agency gave a short presentation of possible venues in Prague such as hotels, university, conference centers. An approximate budget was presented, too. A more detailed discussion will be taken during the next board meetings.

Suggested date: 12-15 of March 2008, but this issue will be discussed and decided later.

## **3 New Scientific Coordinator for EURON**

As Henrik Christensen is moving to Georgia Tech, USA, a new scientific coordinator for EURON must be chosen. The new coordinator must take over the work in January 2007. KTH remains in the contract as the legal administrative coordinator and Jeanna Ayoubi will continue work with the administrative support of the project.

Five people representing the different KA within EURON have been assigned to build a committee in order to search for a new coordinator: Rüdiger Dillmann, Alicia Casals, Bruno Siciliano, Martin Hägele, Roland Siegwart. An e-mail should be sent to all EURON contracting members asking them to suggest candidates. The transmission process will be discussed in a more detail during the next board meeting.

## **4 Next EURON Board Meeting**

The next board meeting should be held in August or September 2006 at the latest. The exact date and venue will be discussed by e-mail.

## **5 Year 2 Reporting Process**

A timetable and a list of deliverables were distributed to the Board. Detailed instructions will be sent to KA coordinators by the end of April.

The preliminary date for the review meeting is 22 June 2006 in Brussels. New reviewers are needed and suggestions on candidates are welcome to be sent to Pekka Karp.

## **6 Research Projects - Call 3**

Deadline for proposals is 15 of April 2006.

The evaluation board will have its meeting on 10 of May 2006 in Brussels. Persons involved are: Amiram Moshaiov, Jorge Dias, Herman Bruyninckx, Guido Bugmann. The final decision for the approved proposals should be taken by the Board no later than 21 of May.

## **7 European Robotic Society**

This question was included into the questionnaire that was sent to all members of EURON. Most of the members are willing to be a part of such a society in the future when the EURON project funded by the EC ends. This issue was presented to all participants at the annual meeting. Roland Siegart suggested to start a more detailed group discussion of this question and the following members showed interest to participate in this group: Bruno Siciliano, Raja Chatila, Jorge Dias, Rüdiger Dillmann, Guido Bugmann, Erwin Prassler, Marcus Vincze, Paolo Dario, Alberto Sanfeliu

## **8 Other Issues**

- it was suggested to start the "EURON Magazine" Possible budget would be 75 K EUR. The issues was not decided on as the cost is high.
- Erwin Prassler suggested to include a new WP into the workplan in order to organize activities for SMEs within EURON. The activity was not detailed.
- KA coordinators should find and involve PhD students in the process of gathering different material from EURON members.