

Minutes of ASCASS committee meeting

Date: Aug. 10, 2017 at 12:15

Venue: VIP room, Bronx IV, Berjaya Times Square Hotel

Attendee: Limin Qi (China), To Ngai (Hong Kong), Pratap Bahadur (India), Sunil Bhagwat (India) Kabir-ud-Din (India), Amiya Kumar Panda (India), Kenji Aramaki (Japan)(Secretary), Toyoko Imae (Japan), Hideki Sakai (Japan), Osamu Shibata (Japan), Jin Woong Kim (Korea), Rauzah Hashim (Malaysia), Lok Kumar Shrestha (Nepal), Yurii Shchipunov (Russia), Chien-Hsiang Chang (Taiwan), Li-Jen Chen (Taiwan), Shi-Yow Lin (Taiwan), Pramoch Rangsunvighit (Thailand)

Agenda No 1. Confirmation of attendee, secretary and gallery (Prof. T. Imae)

- Decided as listed.

Agenda No 2. Report of ACCIS2017 (Prof. R. Hashim)

- Prof. R. Hashim reported the number of participants, speakers, sponsors etc. (220 participants from 22 countries (72 Malaysian and 148 foreigners), 2 plenary, 6 keynote, 50 invited speakers, 59 oral contributions, 90 posters, and 14 exhibitions)

Agenda No 3. Report of home page (Prof. T. Imae)

- Dr. Paola G. Pittoni takes care it. Payment (40USD) for the HP charge was covered by her courtesy.

Agenda No 4. Special Edition in journals (Prof. T. Imae)

- Special editions of three journals which were already announced on the ACCIS2017 website were confirmed.

Agenda No 5. Supports from enterprises

- ACCIS2017 was supported by many sponsors (Prof. R. Hashim)
- Three sponsor companies from ASCASS were introduced (Prof. T. Imae). Shiseido, Otsuka Electronics and Actiive (Total 5400USD)

Agenda No 6. Confirmation of Committee member and decision of new committee country and member (Prof. T. Imae)

1) Issue of membership certificate

Points raised:

- Whether the Committee should issue membership certificate (for general members that a conference participant will automatically become) upon requests.

Decision:

- "Certificate of attendance" may be issued from the next conference but not restricted.
- A two-year membership will be given for each attendance in a conference, but the committee should discuss for issuing the certificate of membership.

2) New committee country and member

Points raised:

- Minimum eligibility requirement to be a committee member.

Recommendations of new committee members:

- Two professors (Dr. Mohd Cairul Iqbal Mohd Amin, Universiti Kebangsaan and Dr. Mohd Basyaruddin Abdul Rahman, Universiti Putra Malaysia) from Malaysia were recommended by Prof. Rauzah Hashim as new committee members of Malaysia.
- Dr. Ajaya Bhattarai from Nepal (Tribhuvan University) was recommended by Dr. Lok Kumar Shrestha as a new committee member of Nepal.
- A member (Dr. Osama Kamal Abou-Zied, Sultan Qaboos University) from new country (Sultanate of Oman) was recommended by Prof. Rauzah Hashim.

Decision:

- Each country can have limited number of committee members. Minimum eligibility/requirement to be a committee member should be discussed in detail among committee members in two years till ACCIS2019.
- The recommended new committee members (Dr. Mohd Cairul Iqbal Mohd Amin, Universiti Kebangsaan, Malaysia, Dr. Mohd Basyaruddin Abdul Rahman, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia, and Dr. Ajaya Bhattarai, Tribhuvan University, Nepal) have been approved by the meeting.
- CV of the Professor from Oman should be distributed to all committee members sent to Prof. Imae (President, ASCASS) for consideration, and thus the decision was postponed.

Agenda No 7. Election of ACCIS 2019

- ACCIS 2019 will be disclosed by the end of this month.
- First candidate is Nepal (Dr. Lok Kumar Shrestha) and second candidate is India (Prof. Sunil S Bhagwat). Dr. Lok Kumar Shrestha is to confirm within two weeks (by Aug. 25).
- China, South Korea, Thailand and Hong Kong are the potential candidates for ACCIS 2021.

Agenda No 8. Election of new president up to ACCIS 2019.

- Prof. Imae was re-elected as the President of ASCASS up to ACCIS2019.