



**EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR FUZZY LOGIC AND  
TECHNOLOGY**

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**MINUTES OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE  
EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR FUZZY LOGIC AND TECHNOLOGY (EUSFLAT)**

In Málaga (Spain), the 24<sup>th</sup> of June 2008, at 19:00, the assembly of EUSFLAT, presided by the Vice-President of the Society, Professor Lluís Godo, congregates in the Málaga Hall in the hotel Amaragua, Torremolinos in order to develop the following agenda:

1. Approval, if there is agreement, of the Minutes of the Ostrava assembly (2007)
2. Report on activities of the board
3. Treasury report and approval of the financial report
4. Any other business

Dr. João P. B. Carvalho, INESC, Technical University of Lisbon, a chair of the Program Committee of IFSA 2009 attended the Assembly as a special guest.

***1. Approval, if there is agreement, of the Minutes of the Ostrava assembly***

The minutes have been made available for download on the EUSFLAT homepage:  
<http://www.eusflat.org/documents/minutes-assembly-2007.pdf>

The minutes of the Ostrava assembly are approved by assent of the Assembly.

***2. Report from the Board***

The Vice-President of the Society, Professor Lluís Godo reports on:

- Organizational matters
- Grants
- Newsletter
- Working groups
- Mathware & Soft Computing
- Conferences
- Future plans

*Organizational matters*

- This year the registration form has been re-designed
- Personalized e-mails have been sent to all current members and members of previous years so that we have the *greatest number of members in even years*

- Due to internal difficulties in IFSA, we were not able to offer journal subscriptions this year

### *Grants*

- **7 grants** have been awarded for *EUSFLAT 2007*
- **8 grants** have been awarded for *IPMU 2008*
- Applications of HIS 2008 and CSTST 2008 have been rejected, because these conferences are too far from the scope of EUSFLAT
- Find details on <http://www.eusflat.org/members/grants.htm>

### *EUSFLAT Newsletter*

- Newsletter appears regularly since December 2005.
- Freely available as PDF on <http://www.eusflat.org/publications/newsletter.htm>
- Vol. 4, No. 1 has appeared in May 2008
- Two more issues planned for this year:
- Vol. 4, Nos. 2 (August/September) & 3 (December)
- Contributions are expected to have one page at most (8pt on A4 paper with 15mm margin) and to be sent to [newsletter@eusflat.org](mailto:newsletter@eusflat.org).

### *Working Groups*

#### Working Groups

- Four new working groups have been proposed and accepted at the 2007 Assembly
- The EUSFLAT Working Group on Mathematical Fuzzy Logic has already become active:
  - Wiki-based Homepage <http://www.cs.cas.cz/mathfuzzlog/>
  - First Conference of the Working Group on Mathematical Fuzzy Logic: Logic, Algebra and Truth Degrees, Siena, Italy, September 8-11, 2008.
- **It would be great if all the other new working groups (and some of the older ones too) would follow this example!**

### *Mathware & Soft Computing —Current Status*

- **24 papers** received Sept. 2007 – June 2008 (13 accepted, 5 rejected, 2 to be revised, 4 under review)
- Three issues published:
- XIV-2 (6 papers)
- XIV-3 (6 papers)
- XV-1 (8 papers) (to be shipped this month)
- Second 2008 issue will be sent to printing office beginning of July
- Current impact factor (2005-2007): **0.23**

## Mathware & Soft Computing — Science Citation Index

- It was submitted to ISI last February
- A minimum of 3 future consecutive issues of the journal must be reviewed to perform an evaluation (we will send XV-1 in June, XV-2 in September and XV-3 in December)
- You can recommend Mathware for coverage in Web of Science at <http://scientific.thomson.com/forms/isi/journalrec/>

## Mathware & Soft Computing — Future work

- We are going to change the server (because we have no administrative permission on the current one) and we will redesign it, looking for a more modern look and functionalities. It might be finished at the end of this year (when it will be evaluated for ISI).

***Please submit papers!***

***Please organize special issues!***

## Comments to Mathware & Soft Computing Status:

- *Prof. J. Castro*: a Web page of the journal is going to be changed and a new one will appear at the end of July 2008; all proposals are highly welcome.
- *Prof. J. Kacprzyk*: a search mechanism should be modernized.

## Endorsed conferences since last assembly:

- Five passed and upcoming ten conferences have been endorsed by EUSFLAT. Visit <http://www.eusflat.org/events/> for more information.

## Next EUSFLAT Conference.

- The 13<sup>th</sup> IFSA World Congress and the 6<sup>th</sup> EUSFLAT Conference will be in *Lisbon, Portugal, July 19–23, 2009*



## Comments to the upcoming IFSA Congress and EUSFLAT Conference:

- *Prof. J. Kacprzyk*: Now all technical and organization problems are solved.
- *Prof. D. Dubois*: Program Committee is completed.

The Report of the board is approved by assent of the Assembly.

### 3. *Treasury Report*

The report has been presented by the Vice-President Lluís Godó:

The Society now has 226 members from 27 countries (registered and paid before 06.09.07):

- Australia 2
- Belgium 7
- Czech Republic 22
- Egypt 1
- France 8
- Greece 1
- Italy 11
- Latvia 3
- Malta 1
- Poland 7
- Spain 114
- Serbia 6
- Switzerland 1
- United States 2
- Vietnam 1
- Austria 6
- Brazil 1
- Finland 3
- Germany 10
- India 1
- Japan 2
- Lebanon 1
- Portugal 1
- Romania 3
- United Kingdom 3
- Slovakia 6
- South Korea 1
- Tunisia 1

By the end of the year 2007, the Society possesses a positive amount of funds (more details are in the treasurer's report). The surplus of the year 2008 is expected to be negative. However, the remainder is expected to be almost twice less than at the beginning of the year 2008.

#### **Comments** to the Treasury report:

- *Prof. J. Castro:* Negative surplus of the year 2008 is due to the larger number of published Mathware issues (five issues in the year 2008 against normally three issues per year). Moreover, due to a new format of the journal the expenses per each issue are higher. However, when Mathware enters the ISI, then the printing cost could be less due to electronic version of the journal accessible from the journal web.
- *Prof. J. Kacprzyk:* IFSA cannot promise to send EUSFLAT fees of its new members (which will attend the IFSA 2009 Congress and express their willingness to become members of EUSFLAT). A competition with FUZZ IEEE in Korea in what concerns participation is expected.
- *Free discussion among attendees with the following conclusion:* IFSA-EUSFLAT conference should follow the rules EUSFLAT society has for its conferences, i.e.

membership fees of (European) participants who will express their willingness to become new members of EUSFLAT should be sent to EUSFLAT automatically. EUSFLAT guarantees that about 100 of its members will attend the joint IFSA-EUSFLAT Congress in Lisbon independently of their participation at FUZZ IEEE Conference in Korea which moreover, is scheduled for August so that people can attend both conferences.

The Report of the board is approved by assent of the Assembly.

After its presentation, the Report of the treasurer is approved by assent of the Assembly.

#### ***4. Any other business***

- *Prof. Lluis Godo*: I think that the financial situation of EUSFLAT is very important and should be discussed and solved, since if we do nothing we will be in trouble in 3-4 years. I promise to the Assembly that the board will internally discuss the issue and propose solutions in the next Assembly next year.
- *Dr. Joao Carvalho*: I believe that we can solve all problems which have been raised during the discussion. We are looking forward to seeing all of you in Lisbon next year.
- The EUSFLAT Conference in the year 2011 is proposed to be in France.

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With no more subjects to be discussed, the Assembly terminated at 20.10 p.m.

As a Secretary, I certify all of this.

Toremolinos, June 24, 2008.

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