



# **EUSFLAT General Assembly**

Milan, July 12, 2022

#### Agenda:

- 1.- EUSFLAT Board Report (Susana Montes and Sebastià Massanet)
- 2.- Treasury Report and decision about bank account administration \* (Javier Fernández)
- 3.- Working Groups (Guy De Tré)
- 4.- EUSFLAT Awards \* (Eulalia Szmidt)
- **5.- EUSFLAT Grants (Christophe Marsala)**
- 6.- Mathware and Soft Computing Magazine (Humberto Bustince)
- 7.- IJCIS (Rosa Rodríguez)
- 8.- EUSFLAT Summer School on Fuzzy Logic and Applications (Susana Montes)
- 9.- EUSFLAT Conferences (Sebastià Massanet)
- 10.- Other issues

<sup>\*</sup> Requires a decision





# 1.- Board Report (Susana Montes and Sebastià Massanet)





# 1.- Board Report: members

**President: Susana Montes (Spain)** 

Vice-president: Vladik Kreinovich (USA)

Secretary: Zdenko Takac (Slovakia)
Treasurer: Javier Fernández (Spain)

Atlantis Press: Rosa M. Rodríguez (Spain)

Awards: Eulalia Szmidt (Poland)

**Grants: Christophe Marsala (France)** 

Link to IFSA and Other Societies & Magazine: Humberto

**Bustince (Spain)** 

**Promotion in Asia: Nikhil R. Pal (India)** 

Publications: Gabriella Pasi (Italy)
Strategy: Luis Magdalena (Spain)

Web and Social Networks: Sebastià Massanet (Spain)

Working Groups: Guy De Tré (Belgium)





### 1.- Board Report: News

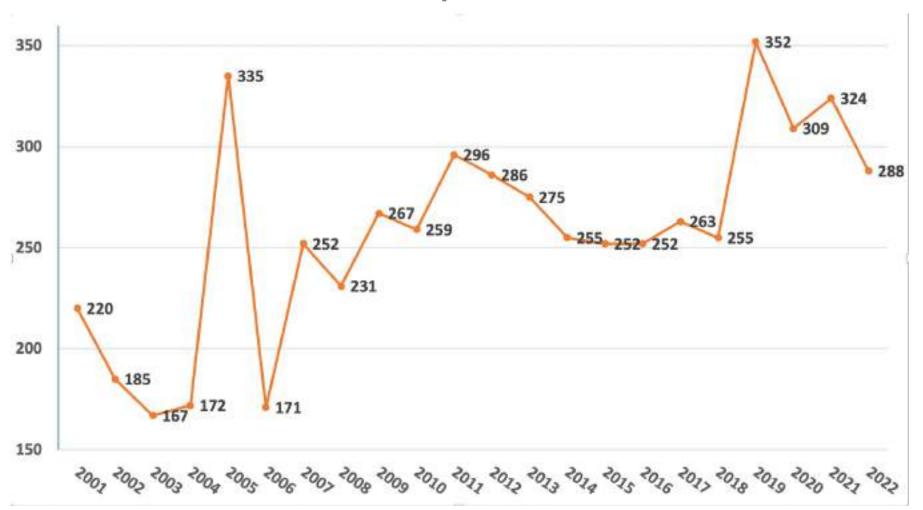
- 2020 online assembly
- 2021 hybrid assembly
- 2022 hybrid assembly, offering on-site as well as online participation

Thanks to Sebastià Massanet for his help and also IPMU organizers





# Membership evolution

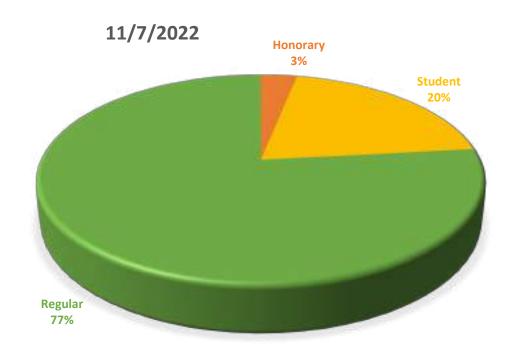






# Membership distribution AND TECHNOLOGY

MEMBERS	31/12/21	11/7/22
Total:	324	288
Honorary	7	9
Student	70	58
Regular	247	221

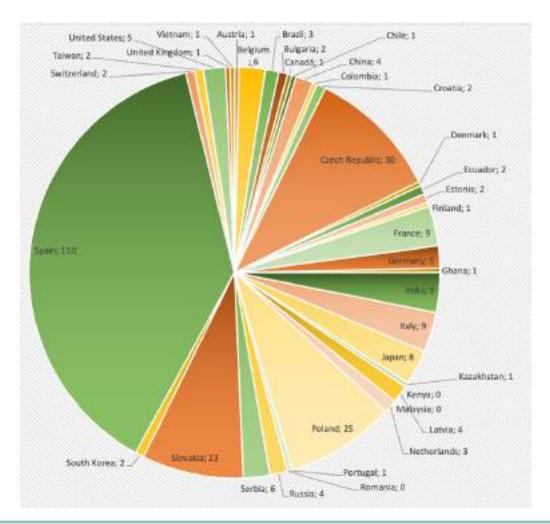






# 288 members over 35 countries

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COUNTRIES (>1)	11/7/22
Spain	110
Czech Republic	30
Poland	25
Slovakia	23
France	9
India	9
Italy	9
Japan	8
Belgium	6
Serbia	6
Germany	5
United States	5
China	4
Latvia	4
Russia	4
Brazil	3
Netherlands	3
Bulgaria	2
Croatia	2
Ecuador	2
Estonia	2
South Korea	2
Switzerland	2
Taiwan	2







### Other News

- Other news (bank account, new agreement for IJCIS, etc.) in the next points
- In study: some administrative fees for legal advices (from 2020)
- New distribution list available soon (Javier Fernández and Marek Vajgl are working on it)
- Webpage: Sebastià Massanet is in charge





# **EUSFLAT** webpage



https://eusflat.org/





# **EUSFLAT** webpage

- General information about EUSFLAT
- Next EUSFLAT (or sponsored by) events and conferences
- Membership information
- Students grants programme
- Awards
- Honorary members





# **EUSFLAT** webpage

 Please send comments for improvement or any information to include in the webpage to:

Sebastia Massanet s.massanet@uib.es





# 2.- Treasury Report (Javier Fernández)





# 2.- Treasury Report:2021

INCOMES	<b>;</b>
Fees (Paypal)	3750,02
Fees (Bank)	4873,00
Total	8623.02

PayPal charges	152,23
Bank charges	314,84
IFSA duties 2021	200.00
IPMU grants 2020	880.00
EUSFLAT grants	1800.00
Technical support M&SC	649.78
Server payment	50,82
Total	4047,67

**EXPENSES** 

BANK REMAINDER		
January 1, 2021	43093.03	
Dec, 31, 2021	47668,38	
Balance	+4575,35	



FOR FUZZY LOGIC
AND TECHNOLOGY

# 2.- Treasury Report: 2022 AND TECHNOLOGY

### **Expected Budget 2022 (July 10, 2022)**

INCOMES	i
Fees (Paypal)	2100,00
Fees (Bank)	6942,00
Total	9042,00

BANK REMAINDER		
January 1, 2022	47668,38	
Dec, 31, 2022	45864,56	
Balance	-1803,82	

EXPENSES	
PayPal charges	100,00
Bank charges	320,00
WILF grants 2021	600,00
IFSA duties 2022	200,00
Server payment	50,82
IJCIS 2022	2500,00
IPMU grants	1750,00
ESTYLF grants*	675.00
Technical support M&SC	650,00
SFLA support	3000,00
Administrative fees	1000.00
Total	10845,82

**DEFICIT: -1803,82** 





# 2.- Treasury Report: Proposed Budget 2023

	INCOMES	
Fees		10250.00

Approval of all three budgets, treasury reports, and balances ... is anyone against or abstained?

BANK REMAINDER		
January 1, 2023	45864.56	
December 31, 2023	44514.56	
Balance	-1350.00	

EXPENSES	
PayPal charges	200.00
Bank charges	350.00
IJCIS 2023	2500.00
Technical support M&SC	650.00
IFSA duties for 2023	200.00
EUSFLAT support and grants	2000.00
Grants for other events	3000,00
Grants for strategic tools	1500.00
Administrative fees	1200.00
Total	11600.00

DEFICIT -13

-1350.00





# 2.- Treasury Report: AND TECHNOLOGY Authorization on the bank account

The Caixabank in Spain has modified the rules to operate the bank account. Now it is necessary an authorization of all the people which appear in the account for every operation.

This makes the procedure slow, since all of them must sign.

We propose to allow the treasurer to make every operation in the bank account, without further approval in the bank system by the other people.

This must be approved by the assembly to be implemented.

Approval?





# 3.- Working Groups (Guy De Tré)





- 1. Working Group on Aggregation Operators
- 2. Working Group on Fuzzy Control
- 3. Working Group on Fuzzy Logic-Based Decision Modeling in Economics and Social Sciences
- 4. Working Group on Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets: Theory, Applications and Related Topics
- 5. Working Group on Learning and Data Mining
- 6. Working Group on Mathematical Fuzzy Logic
- 7. Working Group on Philosophical Foundations
- 8. Working Group on Soft Computing in Database Management and Information Retrieval
- 9. Working Group on Soft Computing in Image Processing





#### **Activities**

Special session organization
Special issues
Conference / seminar / workshop organization

#### **Facilities**

Forum at conferences
Tutorials at conferences
Panels at conferences

#### **Encourage (international) collaboration**

Collaboration between EUSFLAT working groups and IEEE CIS Task Forces Submit (position) papers/special issue proposals to IJCIS journal





#### **Support**

Donation for establishing and organizing "gate opening" activities that should bring our community closer to other societies, especially the bigger ones like CI and AI

- Activities/sessions on wide scope (e.g. AI) events, or on prestigious problemoriented (not topic-oriented) events focused on problems potentially solved by fuzzy methods, in order to demonstrate the abilities of fuzzy methods to other areas.
- The donation will preferably be used for paying the registration fee of the organizer of the fuzzy session/track/workshop or a person determined by him (invited speaker).
- Sufficient visibility of EUSFLAT should be provided, for instance already by including EUSFLAT in the title of the session.





# 4.- EUSFLAT Awards (Eulalia Szmidt)





### 4.- EUSFLAT Conference Awards

#### **Honorary Members of the EUSFLAT Society**

According to Article 22 of its bylaws, the society can award honorary members who, due to their prestige or by having significantly contributed towards dignifying and developing the Association, become worthy of such a distinction. Honorary members must be proposed by the board and approved by the general assembly.

details: https://eusflat.org/members-honorary-members.html





### **Honorary Members of the EUSFLAT Society**

So far we have the following Honorary Members:

**Francesc Esteva** 

**Enric Trillas** 

Ulrich Bodenhofer

Irina Perfilieva

Janusz Kacprzyk

**Bernadette Bouchon-Meunier** 

Luis Magdalena

Radko Mesiar

**Bernard de Baets** 





This year Javier Montero

is proposed by the Board to become a Honorary Member.

**Javier Montero** has been working for EUSFLAT:

- for 13 years, he was a member of EUSFLAT boards with different responsibilities, 2009-2011 and 2011-2013 he was a President,
- he is still active collaborating with EUSFLAT, participating in EUSFLAT Conferences as an author, special sessions organizer, co-chair, and IPC member.





**Javier Montero** is a Full Professor at the Department of Statistics and Operational Research, Faculty of Mathematics, Complutense University of Madrid (Spain).

He has held a **Ph.D. in Mathematics** from Complutense University since 1982 and has been leading research projects since 1987.

He is the author of more than **150 research papers** in refereed journals such as Approximate Reasoning, Computational Intelligent Systems, Computer and Operational Research, European Journal of Operational Research, Fuzzy Sets and Systems, General Systems,





Human and Ecological Risk Assessment, IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks, IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems, IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man and Cybernetics, IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics, Information Fusion, Information Sciences, Intelligent Systems, Journal of Algorithms, Journal of Intelligent and Fuzzy Systems, Knowledge Based Systems, Kybernetes, Kybernetika, Mathware, Multiple Valued Logic, New Mathematics and Natural Computation, Non Linear Analysis, Omega, OR Spectrum, Pure and Applied Geophysics, Remote Sensing, Soft Computing, Top, and Uncertainty, Fuzziness and Knowledge-Based Systems.





- He has published a similar number of refereed papers as book chapters.
- His research interests are in Aggregation Operators, Preference Representation, Multicriteria Decision Aid, Group Decision Making, System Reliability Theory, and Classification problems, mainly viewed as the application of Fuzzy Sets Theory.
- He has been a scientific visitor in more than ten Universities, has served the scientific community as area editor of several international journals, and has been a member of more than 100 conference program committees.





**Javier Montero's** candidature is fully in consonance with the following criteria:

- strong contributions to EUSFLAT's scientific field,
- long-time loyalty and strong contributions to the Society and
- prestige, authority, and experience.

Approval of the Honorary membership by voting ... is anyone against or abstained?





# 5.- EUSFLAT Grants (Christophe Marsala)





- Reminder: in 2021, 25 grants have been offered
  - FUZZ IEEE 2021 (virtual attendance): 2 grants (5 proposed)
  - IFSA EUSFLAT 2021: 19 grants (special process)
  - WILF 2021 (Vietri sul Mare, Italy): 4 grants
    - 8 applications
    - grantees:
       Ferrero-Jaurrieta Mikel, Fumanal Idocin Javier, López Oriona Ángel, Perinot Elisa

#### In 2022 (up to today): 8 grants

- IPMU 2022 (Milan, Italy): 5 grants
  - 19 applications
  - grantees:
     Chacón Gómez Fernando, Grina Fares, Gupta Megha, Minarikova Erika, Ojeda-Hernández Manuel
- ESTYLF 2022 (Toledo, Spain): 3 grants
  - under process (conference September)





# 6.- Mathware and Soft Computing (Humberto Bustince)





# 6.- Mathware and Soft Computing

Bernadette Bouchon-Meunier

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# 6.- Mathware and Soft Computing

# NEXT ISSUE DECEMBER 2022





# 6.- Mathware and Soft Computing WE NEED YOUR HELP

- Scientific reports (recent papers, state of art, historical views ...)
- Summaries of forum, panels, workshops, events
- New calls (events, competitions, edited books, special issues)
- Events from other areas that might be of interest
- ... and whatever you find interesting ;-)

If you have any doubt, question, comment... bustince@unavarra.es

We rely on your collaboration

Thanks!!!!





# 6.- Mathware and Soft Computing

You can find the magazine at:

http://www.eusflat.org/msc





# 7.- International Journal of Computational Intelligence Systems (Rosa Rodríguez)







Report for EUSFLAT Assembly July, 2022

Editors in Chief: Jie Lu and Luis Martínez

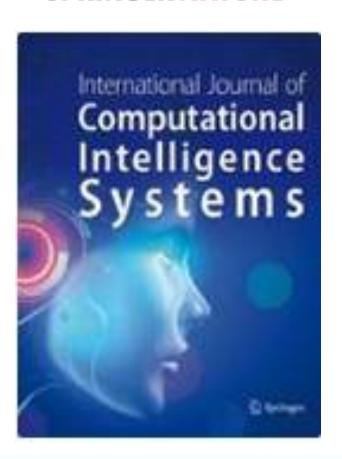




## 7.- IJCIS: Report 2022

#### SPRINGER NATURE

**May 2021** 







### 7.- IJCIS: Report 2022

#### **EUSFLAT ATLANTIS-PRESS AGREEMENT**

From Jan 1st 2020 to 31st December 2022

Kept by Springer

New agreement should be negotiated

#### **EUSFLAT Members' papers**

Published in 2021 -- 20

Published in 2022 – 1 accepted +7 under review

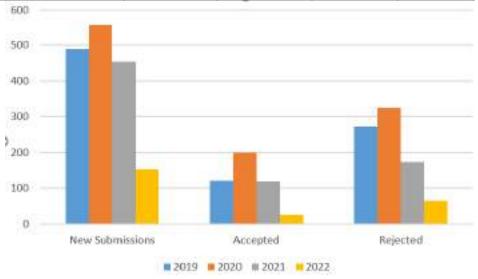
(20 free APC per year)





# 7.- IJCIS: Submissions

	2019	2020	2021	2022
New Submissions	490	558	453	153
Accepted	121	200	120	27
Rejected	272	325	174	64
Rejection. Rate	56%	58%	38%	42%







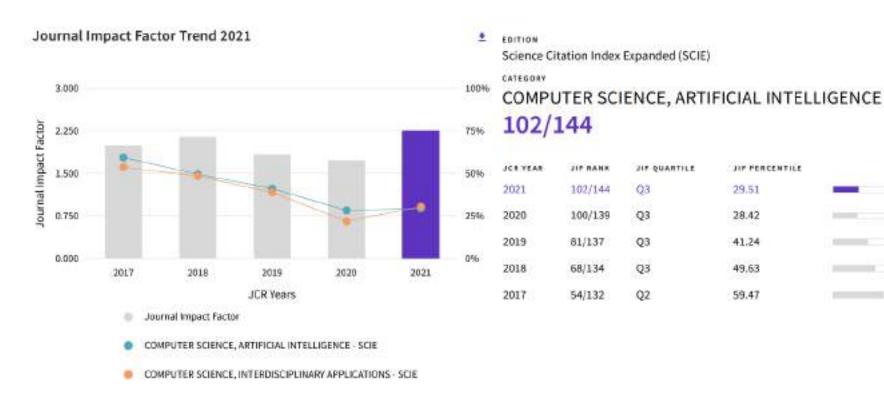
## 7.- IJCIS: Indexes and Impact Factor

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View calculation





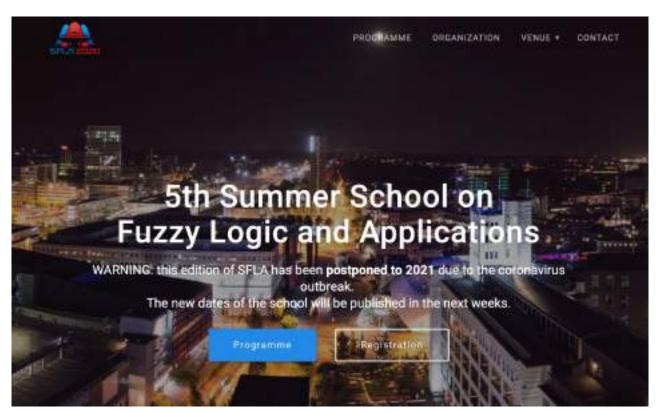


# 8.- SFLA Summer School on Fuzzy Logic and Applications (Susana Montes)





#### 8.- SFLA



The planning was indeed that SFLA 2020 was organized in Eindhoven, which we had to postpone first to 2021, and then to 2022 due to the pandemic.





#### 8.- SFLA

#### Proposal given by Uzay Kaymak:

- To hold SFLA as a virtual event (by exception) this year in the fall period
- The board agree that, under the current circumstances, this could be a good option
- We propose to go ahead with this proposal
- As soon as we have some definitive news about it, we will share them with all the members
- Tentative dates: October 31 November 5
- The involving from the community is welcome!





# 9.- EUSFLAT conferences (Sebastià Massanet)





#### EUSFLAT 2023

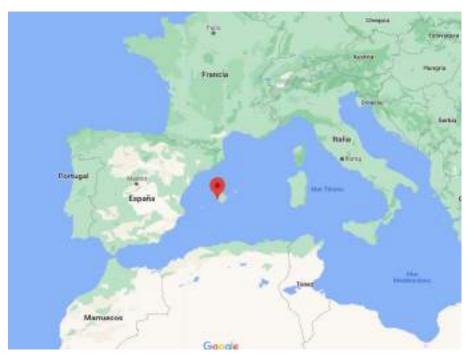


Conference Dates: 4-8 September, 2023





#### **City Venue: Palma**



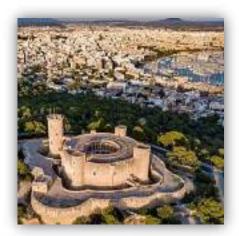
- Located in Mallorca, largest island of the Balearic Islands, in Spain
- 422.000 inhabitants
- Excellently connected to all major
   European cities
- Large number of hotels





#### **City Venue: Palma**















#### **University of the Balearic Islands**



- Located at 6 km from the city
- Well connected by bus and metro
- Founded 40 years ago
- Campus located at the foot of the Tramuntana mountains, an area declared a World Heritage Site by the UNESCO





#### **University of the Balearic Islands**













#### **Local Team**



Soft Computing, Image Processing and Aggregation research group

- Founded in 80s as LOBFI (Fuzzy Logic and Information Fusion)
- 12 members







#### **Experience with previous organizations**





- 22nd International Conference of the Catalan Association for Artificial Intelligence
- October 23-25, 2019





- The 15th International Conference on Modeling Decisions for Artificial Intelligence
- October 15-18, 2018
- Fifth International Summer School on Agreggation Operators
- July 6-10, 2009





#### **Experience with previous organizations**



- 1st International Conference in Fuzzy Logic and Technology (ESTYLF-EUSFLAT 1999)
- September 22-25, 1999



First EUSFLAT conference 24 years ago! EUSFLAT returns home!





Joint conferences: AGOP 2023 and FQAS 2023



Flexible Query Answering Systems





Webpage

# http://www.eusflat2023.eu/







- Important dates (preliminary)
  - October 31, 2022: Special Session proposals
  - January 20, 2023: Paper&Abstract submission
  - February 28, 2023: Notification of acceptance
  - March 17, 2023: Camera-ready paper submission
  - March 31, 2023: Early registration
  - 4-8 September, 2023: Conference





- Do not wait till last minute!
  - Book your hotel as soon as possible!
  - Register as soon as possible. There will be plenty of options for social activities but each of them with a limited capacity assigned by strict order of registration.







#### **Supporting Institutions**













#### **EUSFLAT 2025?**

Any proposal is welcome!





# 10.- Other Issues

Any question or suggestion to the Board?