YI Committee Meeting

3rd meeting, held at YIC2013, on Wednesday 04 September 2013

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Attending members of EYIC : C. Dobrzynski, L. Chamoin, A. Andrade-Campos Other attendees : V. Perrier, M. Jabareen, U. Albocher, J. Weickenmeier

The goal of the meeting was to get feedbacks and opinions on several points. You will find below the main ideas that came out of the discussion.

Organization of future YI Conferences

- 1) Carry on including members of the Young Investigators Committee in the scientific advisory board of next YIC conferences, in particular those who attended YIC2012 and YIC2013. Indeed, these members have an overview of the organization of such conferences, and of points to improve
- 2) New formats introduced during YIC2013, as well of low conference fees, were very much appreciated and looked attractive for young researchers
- 3) A format with two parallel sessions only looks fine, but maybe the length of presentations could be increased (20min+5min)
- 4) Maybe think about activities (sport,...) which may be adapted to optimize social relations among young people
- 5) A *lemon prize* for the worst presentation (slides full of equations...) has been proposed
- 6) Ask people to send presentations before the conference, so that it would be easier to understand and ask questions
- 7) A good format for software of poster session could be a short (10 min) presentation followed by discussions on site.
- 8) It would be nice to see members of the ECCOMAS board during YIC...
- 9) It may be good to ask some members of the YI Committee to give plenary lectures
- 10) Beginning of September is a good period for PhD students and young researchers to attend the conference
- 11) It could be nice to know the location of the next YIC very early, so that an announcement can be made during the current YIC.

PhD Olympiads

- 1) The financial aid should be increased and harmonized among local associations which may also offer financial supports
- 2) Set up a link to manuscripts of PhD theses
- 3) ECCOMAS local associations should advertise more about PhD Olympiads

Activities of the YI Committee

- 1) It appears that the committee is not very active, and several reasons have been given: no clear structure with a president, nobody involved in administrative activities of ECCOMAS (PhD prize committee for instance)
- 2) The committee is not referenced on the ECCOMAS website. What about CVs which were sent after the meeting in Vienna?