



Commission for the History and Philosophy of Computing Activity report (2016-2017)

1 Commission organization

1.1 Council

According to the Commission Bylaws, after 4 years the Council has been renewed. Six Nominations have been received, hence no elections were required. The new Council Members and their roles are as follows:

- Edgar Daylight (Siegen University)
- Liesbeth De Mol (CNRS, Université de Lille)
- Simone Martini (INRIA/University of Bologna)
- Tomas Petricek (Alan Turing Institute), Vice-President
- Giuseppe Primiero (Middlesex University), President
- Viola Schiaffonati (Politecnico di Milano)

1.2 Membership

The current number of members is 186 (corresponding to registered website users). The nationalities are roughly as follows: ~ 50% European, 25% US and Canada, 25% other. Their interests are recorded as follows: 82 'philosophy'; 67 'history', but mostly a mix of different interests.

1.3 Website

www.hapoc.org

2 Activities

2.1 Organised Events

- Third Workshop on the History and Philosophy of Programming HaPoP3 in Paris, June 25 2016, Paris, www.hapoc.org/hapop3. Organisers: Liesbeth De Mol (CNRS, UMR8163), Raphaël Fournier-S'niehotta (CNAM), Baptiste Méléès (CNRS, UMR7117), Giuseppe Primiero (Middlesex University).
- ICHSTM Symposium, *The Ubiquity of Computing: historical and philosophical issues*, <http://hapoc.org/node/176>. Organizers: Fabio Bertato (UCampinas) and Henrique Cukierman (UFRJ).
- World Humanities Conference, Symposium *Ethical, legal and political issues of computing*, <http://www.humanities2017.org/en/program/275>. Organizers: M. Bullynck (Paris8), L. De Mol (CNRS/Lille) and J. Rohrerhuber (Düsseldorf).
- Computability In Europe 2016 HaPoC Special Session, <https://lipn.univ-paris13.fr/CIE2016/program.php>. Organizers: L. De Mol (CNRS/Lille) and G. Primiero (Middlesex).
- Computability In Europe 2017 HaPoC Special Session, <http://math.utu.fi/cie2017/special-sessions/>. Organizers: L. De Mol (CNRS/Lille) and G. Primiero (Middlesex).
- Fourth International Conference on the History and Philosophy of Computing, Brno 4-7 October 2017, <https://hapoc2017.sciencesconf.org/>. Local Chairs: Helena Durnová (PdF MU), Jana Horáková (FF MU), Jirí Raclavský (FF MU). At HaPoC4 the General Assembly was held, with a large members participation.

2.2 Supported Events

- Summer School on *Computer Simulation Methods*, High Performance Computing Center Stuttgart (HLRS), <http://regi.hlrs.de/2017/summer-school/overview.jsp>. Organizers: HLRS, Middlesex University London, Politecnico di Milano.

2.3 Publications

- Post-Proceedings HaPoC3: F. Gadducci and M. Tamosanis (eds.), 2015. *History and Philosophy of Computing. Third International Conference*, HaPoC 2015, Pisa, Italy, October 8-11, 2015, Revised Selected Papers, IFIP Advances in Information and Communication Technology, Springer, <http://www.springer.com/gb/book/9783319472850>.
- L. De Mol, G. Primiero, The Work and Inspiration of the Commission on the History and Philosophy of Computing, Blog@ACM, <https://cacm.acm.org/blogs/blog-cacm/212711-the-work-and-inspiration-of-the-commission-on-the-history-and-philosophy-of-computing/fulltext>.