

# 2021- Report on the activities of the DLMPST commission on the Philosophy of Technology and Engineering Sciences (CoPhiTES)

The activities of the DLMPST commission on the Philosophy of Technology and Engineering Sciences (CoPhiTES) has been seriously hampered by the continuing worldwide Covid19 crisis.

## Report on activities realized

The commission has designed and uploaded its website, including updates in its statement, board, officers, and logo. The commission can be referred to utilizing the anagram: CoPhiTES.

The commission has created a large database of scholars potentially interested in the activities of the commission. These scholars will be contacted to be members of CoPhiTES as well as for postulating themselves for different officer roles in the commission.

The commission has set up a permanent email address for contacting: [contact@cophites.org](mailto:contact@cophites.org)

Prof. Dr. Juan M. Durán (Delft University of Technology) has replaced Prof. Dr. Sjoerd Zwart (Delft University of Technology) as the president of the commission. Prof. Dr. Zwart has taken up the role of vice-president of the commission.

There has been agreement on the future composition of the commission, to be presented in the CLMPST 2023 in Buenos Aires. The first CoPhiTES council 2023 – 2027 will consist of:

- President: Juan M. Durán
- Vice-President: To be designated
- Treasurer: To be designated
- Five Councilors: to be designated

The new bylaws that will guide the commission are currently under development and will be presented and voted in the CLMPST 2023 in Buenos Aires. The first election for the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and the five Councilors will take place during the CoPhiTES meeting in CLMPST 2027.

## Work in progress

After the Scientific Adversary Board has been installed in 2018 the commission has invited Juan M. Durán to join its organizational forces. He has taken up this job with new élan and enthusiasm. Many of the new plans to be developed next year are his.

### Statutes:

In 2021, the commission continues to write its statutes, which will be discussed with the Secretary General of the DLMPST/IUHPST and presented in the CLMPST 2023 in Buenos Aires. These statutes will determine and state the identity of the commission and the regular patterns of activities. They will also install the governance structure as specified before. Finally, the statutes should also determine the financial structure of the commission, allocating a stable stream of budget for, e.g., the website, student awards, and conferences.

Other Organizations:

The commission still wants to strengthen its relations with the fPET, the SPT, the IAS University van Amsterdam, and other bodies. In 2019, connections have been established with Diane P. Michelfelder of the first and Pieter Vermaas of the second organization. In 2020, connections have been established with Federica Russo.

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