

APPENDIX n9: Reports of the Chairs of Technical Committees

Report of TC Computational Kinematics

A meeting of the TC was held at the World Congress in Besancon on June 18th 2007. This are the issues discussed at the meeting:

Member issues

- Three members were proposed by national committees: They were not present. To accept them as members the following are required:
 - i) They must be active in the field of CK.
 - ii) Must submit a CV.

Rem : The CV was submitted in the meantime by Jaroslav Svigler from the Czech Republic.

- Two members were proposed by the chairmen : Doina Pisla (Technical University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania) and Jon Selig (University South Banks, London). They were present and approved by the TC.

Appointment of a “Secretary” to the TC: Patrizia Ben-Horin has been appointed.

Future of EJCK (Electronic Journal on Computational Kinematics): Jorge Angeles proposes to stop the discussion about EJCK and stop the journal. Vote: 4 with Jorge, 2 against, rest abstain.

Propositions instead the EJCK:

- To upload minute or movies to the Homepage of the CK TC.
- To have one special issue a year in the Mechanism and Machine Theory-Andres Kecskemethy is asked has to check it.
- A later relaunch might be possible.

Activities of the TC

- Next Workshop Computational Kinematics K will be held in Duisburg in 2009,
- Manfred Husty proposes to organize a Summer school (TC Education and WC) for PhD students and young researchers. The proposed topics are: mathematical methods (numerical analysis, solving systems, symbolic methods, etc ...). The summer school is intended to be held in Austria in summer 2009, or might be combined with CK. It will require support of the TC to send students.
- Andres Kecskemethy has organized a 3-day workshop on applications of kinematics (IAK) in engineering in Lima, Peru in January 2008.
- ARK'2008 in Batz-sur-Mer (near Nantes, France) on 22-26 June 2008 (organized by Philippe Wenger).
- Next meeting of the TC at ARK'2008 in Batz-sur-Mer

Further issues:

Manfred Husty has sent a message to the president Marco Ceccarelli, that he will step down as chairmen of the TC in the next meeting. A new chairmen will (hopefully) be proposed during the meeting.