

Report to Region 3 Executive Committee

IEEE SoutheastCon 2023 – Orlando, Florida

17 October 2022

Agenda



- Key Items since August EXCOM
- Hotel and Treasury Items
- Local Organizing Committee Student Competition Updates
- Technical Program Updates
 - Paper Submission
 - Tutorial Submission
- Hotel and Registration Logistics
- Next Steps

Key Items



- 13 September – Received seed funding from R3
- 21 September – Received seed funding from Orlando
- 25 September – Open of technical paper submissions
- 11 October – Notification of initial deposit (\$50,000) required by hotel
- 13 October – Hardware rules version 2.0 posted

Hotel and Treasury Items



- Informed by Hilton that an advance deposit of \$50,000 was required for SoutheastCon 2023, due on 15 October
- Contract states credit approval (IEEE application on file with Hilton), else advance payments (up to \$200,000)
- Escalated this with IEEE MCE and Hilton Sales Director for IEEE – have not heard back from either

Hotel and Treasury Items



- IEEE SoutheastCon 2023 CB account is short \$5,000
- Appears that CB account was opened with a -\$5,000 balance
- Escalated with IEEE NextGen banking analyst on 16 October to investigate

LOC Student Competitions



- **Hardware competition**

- Version 2.0 rules have been published which has one minor clarification and spelling/grammatical corrections
- No changes will be made that affect competition operations
- Final opportunity for clarifications

- **Software competition**

- Setting up a follow-up meeting with UCF and our LOC software competition lead to discuss automated scoring and problem fine tuning

Technical Program Update



- Paper and extended abstract submissions started on 25 September
 - 20 papers submitted to date: 6 accepted, 1 rejected
 - 2-week turnaround for submitted papers
 - Need to align HKN and technical student paper competitions
- Tutorial, Workshops, and Demonstrations proposals due 31 October
 - 2-hour, 4-hour, or full day format
 - Contact Maneck Master <maneck.master@gmail.com> and Mike Orlovsky <mcorlovsky@gmail.com> if interested in presenting at SoutheastCon 2023

Hotel and Registration Logistics



- Plan on working with Charles Lord this week on room assignments and a punch list of hotel logistic items
- Conference registration is not yet opened, but all necessary pre-requisites have been checked
- Reminder to R3 ExCom members and designated representatives, please do NOT sign up for hotel rooms via the website
 - We will collect your information during conference registration so that R3 ExCom and designated representatives will be on a master billing account

Next Steps

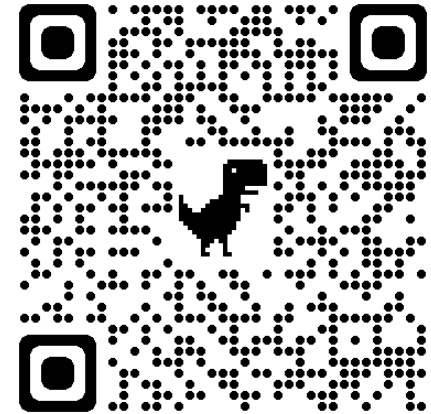


- Attending Synapse Orlando (<https://synapsefl.com/orl2022/>) on 21 October to network and hunt for sponsors
- Attending IEEE Convene on 27-28 October in Boston, MA for ideas on better conference planning
- Follow-ups with Rocco LaForgia (Hilton), Vita Feuerstein (IEEE MCE), and Melly Lantigua (IEEE NextGen Banking)

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