SCSC Workshop Constitution

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1 Aim

The aim of the Symbolic Computation and Satisfiability Checking ($\text{SC}^2$) workshops is to provide a venue for workers in Symbolic Computation, in Satisfiability Checking and in both fields to exchange their research results, problems, methods and tools.

2 Methodology

1. SC$^2$ workshops should normally be held at least annually. If there is more than one workshop in a calendar year, one shall be designated in advance as the Annual Workshop. Should there (not a normal occurrence) not be a workshop in any calendar year, there is therefore no Annual Workshop.

2. They should normally be held in conjunction with significant other events, usually conferences, at which either the Symbolic Computation, or Satisfiability Checking, communities, can be expected to be in strong attendance.

3. Such conjunction should normally alternate between Symbolic Computation and Satisfiability Checking.

4. Each SC$^2$ Annual Workshop is normally organised by two co-chairs: one primarily in Symbolic Computation and one primarily in Satisfiability Checking. For other workshops the chairing arrangements may depend on the rôle of the workshop.

In these clauses, normally expresses the wish of the SC$^2$ community, and the Steering Committee should either comply, or provide an explanation to the SC$^2$ community why it has not been practicable to comply.

3 Governance

There shall be an SC$^2$ General Meeting at each Annual Workshop, open to all those attending at the workshop.
4 Steering Committee

There shall be an SC\(^2\) Steering Committee, which shall hold office from the end of one SC\(^2\) Annual Workshop to the end of the next. The duties of the SC\(^2\) Steering Committee are at least these.

1. To provide at least one option for forthcoming workshops to the General Meeting. At a minimum, each General Meeting must either already know the location of the next Annual Workshop, or be presented with the option(s) for it.

2. To provide to the General Meeting co-chairs for the next Annual Workshop, and chairing arrangements for any other workshop.

3. To ensure the health and communications of the SC\(^2\) community, by such means as maintaining a website and promoting the publication of SC\(^2\) workshops and special issues of journals, as appropriate.

4. To maintain, as part of the Steering Committee’s legitimate interest in a healthy community, a mailing list of those who have attended at least one SC\(^2\) workshop in the last three years and have not asked to be removed from that mailing list.

4.1 SC\(^2\) Secretary

To assist the Committee, especially in tasks 3 and 4, the Committee may designate a SC\(^2\) Secretary. The secretary shall hold office for as long as the Committee designate it again, on a yearly basis.

4.2 Membership

Between the Annual Workshops in years \(N\) and \(N+1\), the Steering Committee shall comprise:

1. The co-chairs of the Annual Workshop in year \(N-3\) to \(N+1\);

2. The chair/co-chairs of any other workshops planned to take place between the Annual Workshops in years \(N\) and \(N+1\);

3. The SC\(^2\) Secretary (if there is one, and not already a member).

5 Amendments

The Steering Committee may propose amendments to these byelaws. Equally, any two members of the General Meeting may propose amendments from the floor of that General Meeting. The Steering Committee shall consider the amendments and report on the taken decisions to the next General Meeting.
1. Each such amendment must first be approved by a simple majority of those voing by secret written ballot at that General Meeting.

2. Each approved amendment must then be ratified by an electronic poll, to be launched within two calendar months of the General Meeting and with one calendar month voting period, of all those who have attended at least one SC$^2$ workshop in the three years up to and including that General Meeting and consented to be on the mailing list.

3. Should the Steering Committee fail to organise such a poll, any amendment proposed by the Steering Committee shall fail, and any amendment proposed from the floor shall be ratified.

6 Finance

The SC$^2$ community is not a legal organisation and holds no funds. Should a workshop generate a surplus, the organisers are morally responsible for forwarding that to the co-chairs of the next Annual Workshop to help with that workshop, and so on.