Call for hosting NOLCOS 2022

As it has been decided during of the last meeting of the IFAC Technical Committee 2.3 "Nonlinear Control Systems" held at the World Congress in Toulouse, the location of the 12th Symposium Nolcos planned for the year 2022 will be selected during the forthcoming 56th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC) that will be held in Melbourne, Australia, on December 12-15, 2017. Nolcos 2022 follows the 2019 edition that will be organized in Vienna, Austria.

The main criteria that are adopted for the selection of NOLCOS 2022 are summarized in the following items (without a priority):

- General activity in the field of nonlinear control systems in the proponent country.
- Availability of an appropriate infrastructure and facilities for setting up a Symposium of the size of recent Nolcos.
- Proposing team, possibly with their activity within IFAC.
- Geographical distribution of the Symposiums in earlier years.
- Moderate registration fees and availability of some inexpensive accommodation.

Timelines and guidelines for the selection procedure are presented in the following items:

- Deadline for the submission of the proposals: **October 31 2017**. The proposals must be sent by email to the chair of the TC (christophe.prieur@gipsa-lab.fr). The proposal consists of a document describing the candidature with special regards to the criteria specified above. The whole proposal must be limited to 2 pages, size A4, font Times Roman, 12 pt.

- The TC Chair will send out the received proposals to the IFAC TC 2.3 Members by November 5 2017. Members can request for clarifications and additional information about the proposals. Additional information requests must be transmitted to the Chair of the TC 2.3 who will forward them to the specific proponents. All the members will be kept informed about the requests and the relative answers. Period for requests of additional information: **November 1- December 1 2017**.

- During the CDC'17 a TC meeting will be organized. During the meeting:

- each proponent will briefly present its candidature. The presentation must not be longer than 5 min plus 2-4 min for discussion. The presence of at least one person of the proponent team is mandatory for presentation of the candidature.
- IFAC TC 2.3 members attending the meeting will vote for selecting the winner. The voting rules are described next.

Voting system.

- All TC 2.3 members attending the TC meeting have right to vote except the ones coming from the proponent countries.
- The TC 2.3 Chair is excluded from voting.
- The vote is secret.
- The voting procedure is considered valid in presence of at least 20 voters. In case the quorum is not reached, a different democratic selection procedure, to take place after the CDC'17, will be decided during the meeting.
- If more than two proposals are evaluated, two voting stages will be set up. In the first stage, the two proposals that have obtained the higher number of votes will be identified. The second stage will be a simple majority vote between these two. In the possible second stage, members of the countries excluded in the first stage have right to vote.

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