ICAT International Steering Committee Meeting

Date:

December 11, 2025

Time:

Orlando (EST, UTC-5): 7:00am

London/Dublin (GMT, UTC+0): 12:00am(noon)

Paris/Bremen (CET, UTC+1): 1:00pm

Cyprus (EET, UTC+2): 2:00pm Shanghai (CST, UTC+8): 8:00pm

Tokyo/Seoul (JST/KST, UTC+9): 9:00pm Adelaide (ACDT; UTC+10:30): 10:30pm

Participants:

(ISC Members)

Kiyoshi Kiyokawa – NAIST, Japan [Chair]

Hideo Saito - Keio University, Japan

Sabine Coquillart – INRIA, France

Despina Michael-Grigoriou - Cyprus University of Technology, Cyprus

Masahiko Inami – The University of Tokyo, Japan

Gerd Bruder – University of Central Florida, USA

Ernst Kruijff – H-BRS, Germany

Andre Hinkenjann – H-BRS, Germany

Maki Sugimoto - Keio University, Japan

Michael Manzke - The University of Dublin, Ireland

Hiroaki Yano – University of Tsukuba, Japan

(ICAT-EGVE 2025 General Chair)

Veronica Sundstedt – Blekinge Institute of Technology, Sweden

(ICAT-EGVE 2026 General Chairs)

João Paulo Lima (UFRPE, Brazil)

Francisco Simões (UFPE, Brazil)

Agenda

- Report of ICAT-EGVE 2025 by Prof. Veronica Sundstedt and Prof. Michael Manzke, the General Co-Chairs
 - a. General Co-Chairs: Prof. Veronica Sundstedt and Prof. Michael Manzke Host: Blekynge Institute of Technology (BTH) in the southeastern corner of Sweden. Date Finished: December 5th, 2025.
 - Key Metrics: The conference had 32 external registrations and approximately 15-17 internal staff, with total attendance ranging from 47 to 49 participants.
 - c. Submissions: 17 full papers were presented across five sessions, and 10 posters/demos were showcased.

- d. Highlights: The event featured three very interesting keynote speakers. Awards were presented for Best Paper (selected from four finalists), two Honorary Papers, and one Best Poster/Demo. Social events included a Welcome Reception with a technical tour and a gingerbread house building competition at the Virtual Production Studio Lab, and the Conference Dinner at the Naval History Museum.
- e. Budget & Feedback: The Co-Chairs reported a small but highly engaging and positive conference, facilitating significant networking. Final budgeting and billing are in progress, but the financial results are expected to be satisfactory.
- f. Action: Past conference organizers were requested to upload their final budget sheets to the respective year's folder to assist the ICAT-EGVE 2026 organizers.
- 2. Invitation of Prof. Veronica Sundstedt to ICAT ISC as a new member
 - a. Proposal: The Chair formally proposed the invitation of Prof. Veronica Sundstedt to join the ICAT International Steering Committee (ISC) as a new member.
 - Justification: This invitation is based on her significant contributions to the field and her recent successful leadership as General Co-Chair of ICAT-EGVE 2025.
 - c. Decision: The proposal was unanimously approved by the current ISC members
 - d. Action: Prof. Sundstedt formally accepted the invitation. Her membership is effective immediately.
- 3. Interim Report on ICAT-EGVE 2026 by Prof. João Paulo Lima and Prof. Francisco Simoes, which will be held in Brazil
 - a. General Co-Chairs: Prof. João Paulo Lima and Prof. Francisco Simoes Location: Goiânia, Brazil Venue: UFG Campus
 - b. Progress & Dates: The Co-Chairs presented their plans for the conference to be held from September 30 to October 2, 2026.
 - c. Colocation: ICAT-EGVE 2026 will be colocated with three major Brazilian Computer Society (SBC) events: SVR (Virtual Reality), CBGRAPI (Computer Graphics/Vision), and SBGames (Games). This colocation is expected to draw a total of up to 1,000 attendees for the combined events.
 - d. Expected ICAT Attendance: The estimated attendance for ICAT-EGVE 2026 is between 100 and 150 participants. Attendees registered for any of the four conferences will have access to all four.
 - e. Budget (Tentative): A tentative budget was presented, estimating the total cost at approximately 600,000 Brazilian Reals (R\$), which is around \$32,000 USD. The organizers intend to keep the registration fee roughly the same as the 2025 conference.

- f. Financial/Process Requirements:
 - i. The organizers confirmed they will use the Eurographics payment system to manage registrations and pay invoices.
 - ii. They were requested to complete and submit the required Eurographics TMRF-5 form.
 - iii. They requested clarification on the possibility of an advance payment from the co-sponsors (which previous non-Eurographics-hosted events have not received).
- g. Program Chairs: A list of three potential international Program Chairs was proposed, but the traditional selection process (one from Asia-Pacific by ICAT, one from Europe by Eurographics, and one from the local committee) was confirmed. The local chairs will select the Program Chairs from their suggested list to be formally approved.
- 4. Proposal and/or Recommendation for ICAT-EGVE 2027 and beyond
 - a. Not discussed this time. It will be discussed online.