Minutes of the 10th Summit Meeting of

the Asian Robotics Society Union (ARSU)

Date: Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015

Time: 11:00 – 12:45

Place: Room #12, Congress Center Hamburg (CCH), Germany (IROS 2015 site)

Hosted by Robotics Society of Japan

Presided by Prof. Atsuo Takanishi (RSJ President)

Reported by Prof. Masafumi Okada

Agenda

1. Greetings from Prof. Takanishi (RSJ President) and self-introductions by all the participants. List of participants is shown in the last part of this minute.
2. Approval of the minutes of the 9th Summit Meeting of ARSU

* The minutes of last ARSU meeting was explained and approved.

3. Report of current status of each member society

* RSJ (Robotics Society of Japan, Japan), Prof. Takanishi
* ARAA (Australian Robotics and Automation Association, Australia and New Zealand), Prof. Dunbabin
* CAA (Chinese Association of Automation, China), Prof. Liu
* KROS (Korea Robotics Society, Korea), Prof. Kang
* RSOS (Robotics Society of Singapore, Singapore), Prof. Chellali
* TRS (Thai Robotics Society, Thailand), Prof. Niparnan
* RSI (Robotics Society of India, India), Prof. Krishna

4. Discussion of hosting future ARSU-SMs

* The future host of ARSU is decided as follows;
  + IROS2016 (Daejeong, Korea): KROS (fixed)
  + IROS2017 (Vancouver, Canada): fixed soon (candidate: ARAA)
  + IROS2018 (Madrid, Spain): open (candidate: RSJ)
  + IROS2019 (Macau, China): open (candidate: CAA)

[Proposal for hosting ARSU summit meeting]

Basic rule from 2016 is:

* When IROS is held in the ARSU member country, the local society hosts the ARSU summit meeting at IROS site.
* Offer of hosting summit meeting is welcome, and if there is no specific offer, then KROS and RSJ host the summit meeting in turn, basically.
* Hosting includes arranging the meeting place and lunch, announcement of the meeting, and their budget.
* The host society is decided in the ARSU summit meeting two years in advance.

[Example if the above rule is applied]

* IROS2014 (Chicago, USA): KROS
* IROS2015 (Hamburg, Germany): RSJ
* IROS2016 (Daejeong, Korea): KROS [fixed]
* IROS2017 (Vancouver, Canada): open (candidate: RSJ)
* IROS2018 (Madrid, Spain): open (candidate: KROS)
* IROS2019 (Macao, China): open (candidate: RSJ)

5. Confirmation of MOU draft

MOU draft is approved by attendees.

6. Open discussion

* Malaysia may be invited as an observer society next year.
* IRH (International Robotics Forum for High School Student) is introduced and advertised to join this event from RSJ (http://www.rsj.or.jp/en/education/irh).
* ARSU website will be updated soon.
* ARSU will try to take a workshop. (for example, review/education of robotics in each domain)

7. Next meeting

IROS 2016 Daejeong, Korea (October 9-14, 2016)

8. Closing remark by Prof. Takanishi

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