

LauzHack

Constitutive General Assembly

February 26, 2018

Members

Present

- Boubacar Camara (EPFL - IC)
- Sara Djambazovska (EPFL - IC)
- Romain Gehrig (EPFL - IC)
- Victor Herrmann (EPFL - IC)
- Blagovesta Kostova (EPFL - EDMT)
- Saphir Kwan (Uni. Genève)
- Sourabh Lal (EPFL - IC)
- Natalia Nessler (EPFL - IC)
- Tatiana Nikitina (Unil)
- Solal Pirelli (EPFL - EDIC)

Excused

- Eric Bezzam (EPFL - IC)
- Florian Depraz (alumni EPFL)
- Lionel Fleury (alumni EPFL)
- Francesca Gieruć (EPFL - MT)
- Audrey Loeffel (alumni EPFL)
- Tristan Overney (alumni EPFL)
- Axel Uran (EPFL - SV)
- Fabien Zellweger (EPFL - IC)

Introduction

Blagovesta introduces the association's goals (organize the main LauzHack event and other, smaller events on the side), the discussion that happened with EPFL's DAF (mostly positive, but not yet convinced of the need of LauzHack), and the purpose of this GA (create the association, decide on what we want to do).

Discussion

Boubacar suggests that LauzHack should organize workshops during the year for students who do not feel comfortable participating at LauzHack yet.

Tatiana agrees, and suggests as a workshop the introduction to programming APIs that Sourabh had given during the last edition of LauzHack. She argues that while the workshop had little attendance during the event because participants were busy coding, it would be a good workshop outside of the event.

Blagovesta mentions the budget required for workshops or other events. Natalia indicates that the profit from the last edition of LauzHack are all but guaranteed to be transferred to LauzHack by CLIC, which oversaw the event.

Blagovesta explains that she would like to keep some money as a buffer in case a sponsor does not pay too late in the event organization, or for other emergencies. She says there should be more than enough money for workshops, and that profits from next editions of LauzHack will go towards small events as well.

Sourabh says that there is very little budget need for a workshop as little food is needed, not more than the apero for this GA (which cost around CHF 25).

Blagovesta suggests organizing meetups, in the same vein as Swisscom's meetups at the EPFL Innovation Park. She also suggests mock "judging sessions" where participants could come present a project just like they would do during a hackathon, in front of a judging panel.

Sourabh suggests keeping the "how to do well at a hackathon" event for the run-up to LauzHack, and the other kind of events for the rest of the year.

Sourabh explains that few people at EPFL know about hackathons, or travel to other hackathons; he suggests sponsoring "EPFL teams" at other hackathons.

Solal suggests "mini-hackathons" such as the Microsoft and Facebook ones that happened (the latter being organized by the now-defunct association Hackers@EPFL). This kind of event only needs one sponsor, a few organizers.

Blagovesta asks how members see their role in the association: do they want regular meetings? Just organizing LauzHack? Something else? The general consensus is that a few boardgame nights per semester would be nice.

Tatiana suggests getting an office; Solal explains that there is a plan to request one along with the PolyProg and EPIC associations in the IC faculty.

All agree that internal rules are necessary, and will be discussed further offline.

Committee Election

Blagovesta introduces the notion of a committee: LauzHack needs at least a president, a vice-president and a treasurer. There could also be other members of the committee.

Members express their wishes:

- Sourabh is interested in being the vice-president
- Romain is interested in IT and organizing smaller events
- Saphir is interested in logistics (booking rooms, food, ...) - but wants help since she is not an EPFL student and would have a hard time physically communicating with EPFL people; she says she wishes to do a Master at Unil and would be closer in the future.
- Victor is interested in logistics as well
- Boubacar wants to help with sponsorship or IT
- Sara is interested in anything as long as it doesn't eat too much of her time; Tatiana suggests helping with social media
- Natalia wants to be a treasurer
- Tatiana wants to manage social media
- Solal wants to help with IT
- Blagovesta would enjoy doing administrative work
- Florian will continue handling food
- Francesca is interested in logistics
- Audrey will continue being the graphics designer
- Tristan will continue being the "odd-job" man
- Axel may help, but is interning in the Netherlands for the time being

President

Blagovesta is the only candidate.

Blagovesta Kostova is elected president unanimously.

Vice-President

Sourabh is the only candidate.

Sourabh Lal is elected vice-president unanimously.

Treasurer

Natalia is the only candidate.

Natalia Nessler is elected treasurer unanimously.

Other committee positions

Boubacar Camara, Sara Djambazovska, Romain Gehrig, Victor Herrmann, Saphir Kwan, Tatiana Nikitina, Solal Pirelli, Francesca Gieruć and Axel Uran are elected committee members unanimously.

Honorary Members

For their help in the past two editions of LauzHack: **Eric Bezzam, Florian Depraz, Lionel Fleury, Audrey Loeffel, Tristan Overney and Fabien Zellweger are elected honorary members unanimously.**

Auditors

Lionel and Fabien volunteer to be auditors.

Lionel Fleury and Fabien Zellweger are elected auditors unanimously.

Budget

	Income	Expenses
Main LauzHack Event	60 000	55 000
Mini-Events	0	2 500
Unexpected Expenses	0	2 500
Total	60 000	60 000

The budget is accepted unanimously.

Conclusion

The Constitutive General Assembly comes to an end.



Sourabh Lal



Blagovesta Kostova