PANEL DISCUSSION

Past, present, and future of ICKEPS

Topics

What to do with ICKEPS?

- **Past**
  - look and analyze ICKEPS-1 and 2

- **Present**
  - this workshop
  - we should act now to prepare ICKEPS for 2009

- **Future**
  - content and scope (what belongs to ICKEPS?, for example in relation to IPC and its new learning track, what should be the output?,...)
  - form (competition vs. exhibition/workshop,...)
  - organization (more tracks vs. single one, qualitative vs quantitative measures,...)

Panelists

- **Roman Barták** (Charles University)
  organizer of ICKEPS-1 (2005)

- **Stefan Edelkamp** (TU Dortmund)
  organizer of ICKEPS-2 (2007)

- **Tiago Stegun Vaquero** (University of São Paulo)
  participant of ICKEPS-1/2

- **Derek Long** (University of Strathclyde)
  organizer IPC-3 (2002)

ICKEPS-1 (2005)

- **Simple structure**
  - any tool from the areas of knowledge formulation, planner configuration, validation of the domain model or validation of the P&S system as a whole, and knowledge refinement and maintenance was eligible
  - workshop presentation + demo for judges
  - general (qualitative) criteria

- **Outputs**
  - special issue of KER
  - a collection of available tools and techniques
  - visibility to planning community

- **Major complaint**
  - unclear criteria (don't mix up with qualitative)

Next?

- Keep the **structure simple** and **scope wide**
  - complex structure means less participants
  - at most two tracks
- **Connection to IPC**
  - learning track IPC cannibalized part of ICKEPS topics
- **Evaluation**
  - qualitative does not mean bad
  - clear criteria perhaps with points
- **Marketing**
  - make the competition visible again