

# ETI on Internet of Sounds

## *Minutes of 2nd Board Meeting*

**Date and Time:** 14:05 - 15:00 UTC, Nov 22, 2023

**Location:** Virtual via Zoom

**Meeting Chair:** Luca Turchet

**Guests:** none

**Present ETI Board Members:** Luca Turchet, Nils Peters, Tuomas Virtanen, Jan Østergaard, Jan Dürre, Cristina Rottondi, Sacha Krstulovic, Elisabetta Lazzaro, Stefano Giordano

**Excused ETI Board Members:** Woon-Seng Gan, Marcelo M. Wanderley, Carlo Fischione

**Minutes by:** Nils Peters

1. Welcome from Chair (Luca)
2. Approval of the agenda
  - Approved by at least two members as required by IEEE (Approved by Stefano Giordano, Cristina Rottondi, Sacha Krstulovic)
3. Growth of the community (Luca Turchet) - see slides 3-4
  - IoS Research Network: steady growth of partners (+9%) and mailing list subscribers (+8%)
  - 220% more submissions to IS2 2023 compared to 2022
  - attention to products related to technology that support Network Music Performances
  - Still lots of room to grow the community
  - in addition to <https://internetofsounds.net/> there is a new IEEE-hosted website as of today: <https://ios.committees.comsoc.org>
4. Report on the 4th International Symposium on the Internet of Sounds (Stefano Giordano) - see slides 5-7
  - First time that the Symposium was a standalone event

- very successful and well-organized event
  - lots of supporting partners
  - papers, posters, demos, tutorial, panel discussion, keynote talks
  - 62 in-person attendees, 11 remote participants
  - 86 paper submissions, 54% accepted
  - Proceedings submitted to IEEEExplore
  - catering provided by socially responsible organization for people with disadvantages
5. Report on the 1st International Workshop on Networked Immersive Audio (Luca Turchet) - see slide 8
- satellite event supported by TC Innovation Support Project Fund of IEEE ComSoc
  - 5 presentations, 2 posters, 5 demos
  - 1 panel with 6 experts from academia and industry
  - Tutorial by university spin-off Atmoky
  - report submitted to ComSoc and approved by ComSoc (grant received)
6. Updates on the next IS2 (Nils Peters) - see slides 9-12
- 3-day event in Erlangen, Germany (Sep 30 - Oct 2 2024)
  - Location: Fraunhofer Institute for Integrated Circuits IIS
  - Website is live: [https://internetofsounds.net/is2\\_2024/](https://internetofsounds.net/is2_2024/)
  - Call for submissions includes Music and Sound Installations in addition to technical Papers and Demos
  - Expecting 80 - 100 attendees
7. Updates on current activities (Luca Turchet) - see slide 13 - 14
- Plan to make IS2 an IEEE conference
  - Plan to create COST action, deadline is October 2024
  - Ideas of support for study and education
  - Open Discussion:
    - i. Jan Østergaard: useful to have organization to avoid overhead in organizing events
    - ii. Sacha Krstulovic: Should we engage with other related activities and other conferences ? e.g., Microsoft PLC challenge at ICASSP
    - iii. Elisabetta L.: desire to increase the interdisciplinary component. How to publish non-technical contributions with IEEE?
  - IEEE Communication Magazine special issue on the Internet of Sounds, deadline: Feb 29 2024

8. Diversity and inclusion support initiatives (Cristina Rottondi) - see slide 15

- Will promote contributions to IS2 2024:
- Allocating a gender equality and inclusivity session in the program
- Offering travel grants to promote diversity/inclusion among attendees
- Instituting a blog-like webpage within the IoSRN website
- Outreach to the IEEE Woman in Engineering (WIE)

9. Open discussion / AOB (All)- see slide 16

- Bring IoS topics to other ComSoc SAC (selected areas of communication) ?
- Collecting MSc and PhD thesis of IoS topics on IoS website
- Are there needs for any standard efforts?
  - i. Stefano Giordano: Good support by IEEE ComSoc for standards development
  - ii. Luca Turchet: is there a standard for PLC or for communication in WASN?

**Next Meeting:** will occur in May/June 2024

Meeting was adjourned by Luca Turchet at 15:00 (UTC).