



4606 Committee

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Conflict of Interest

David Eyers has been on the PC most years from 2012. He did not participate in evaluation or write the summary report.

Xiao Liu has a strong CoI as the proposal submitter. He was excluded from the evaluation and discussion.

Conference to be ranked as A

Justification

This conference was on the review list to assess whether it should retain its rank of A. Citations are between the level of A and B conferences and its Google h5 is 26, which could indicate either A or B.

Number of submissions and publications seem to be declining which is a concern. Number of publications has gone from 58 to 21 over 3 years. Program and General Chairs have limited international coverage.

The PC is strong with a median h-index of 14, and 2/3 of the committee classified as established researchers. Engagement with the conference in terms of publishing is at a medium level with 1/3 of the established researchers publishing there at least once in the past 5 years. However the repeat publishing is not strong with only 8 of 69 individuals publishing there in 3 or more years.

10 strong people were identified who are regularly involved and most of them attend 50% or more of the time. Also some of the area leaders selected publish in the conference. However author strength is at the level of B conferences.

Indicators seem to put this conference between A and B, but a majority felt it should stay at A for now due to the strong PC and involvement of some strong researchers and area leaders. It should be reviewed again next round.