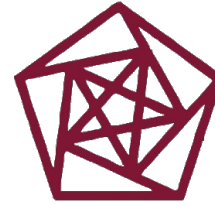




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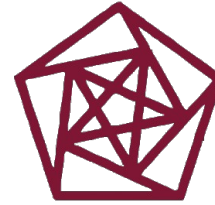
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- Venue: originally LaBRI, University of Bordeaux, France
- We decided to switch to an online format at the original dates
- platform: Zoom (pro account with up to 1000 simultaneous participants)
- total cost: about 120€ for the Zoom account (initial budget: about 15000€)
- lots of testing beforehand (speakers, session chairs, etc)



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report: registrations



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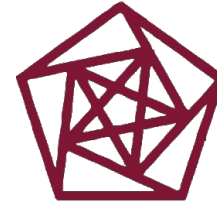
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- Around 450 people registered (physical IWOCAs: <50 participants)
- Free but mandatory registration (total cost for us: about 120€ Zoom license)
- Advertisement via mailing-lists and “local publicity” (most successful!)
- First day: 65-110 simultaneous participants



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report: statistics



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450 participants from various countries:

India: 64

USA: 45

Greece: 44

Canada: 40

France: 37

UK: 31

Japan: 30

Germany: 26

Austria, Brazil, Iran, Israel, Italy: 10-12

Others: <10

Europe: $211/450 = 47\%$

Asia: $137/450 = 30\%$

Americas: $100/450 = 22\%$

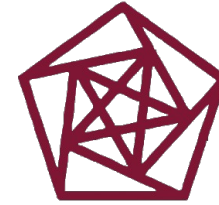
Africa: $1/450 = 0.2\%$

Oceania: $1/450 = 0.2\%$



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report: social aspect



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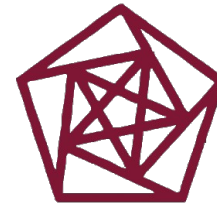
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- Zoom breakout rooms: nice feature, a handful of people used it (unfortunately: no breakout navigation possible)
- Discord: used moderately, but good to have it
- Only few questions asked after the talks
- Group screenshots
- Open problem: how to emulate social interaction?



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