HATS Management Report

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http://www.hats-project.eu
Project Management: Overview

Kick-Off Activities
What has been done to ensure a quick and efficient start

Follow-Up Activities
Management measures and activities during the first year

Unforeseen Problems
... and how we dealt with them

Financial Report
Usage of resources
Kick-Off Activities: Website & Repository

**www.hats-project.eu**
- Domain bought until end of project
- Website launched 4 March 2009
- Open-source collaborative CMS Drupal
- Public/restricted areas, light password protection (see PR)
- Hosted and backed up at CTH

**Data Repository, https://repos.hats-project.eu:444/svn/hats/**
- svn version control system
- Established April 2009, ca. 3000 commits since then
- Used for all software development, deliverables, papers
- Hosted and backed up at CTH
Kick-Off Activities: Kick-Off Meeting

University of Bologna (BOL) 9–11 March 2009

- Attended by ca. 35 people
- Introduction of those not involved in proposal writing
- Tutorial introductions to HATS background technologies
- Management, financial, and reporting principles
- Discussion of case studies
- Technical infrastructure and implementation technologies
- Planning dissemination and training events
- 1st general assembly and steering committee meeting
- Planning tasks starting in PM1 (1.1, 2.2, 3.1, 4.2, and 5.1)
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Scientific Advisory Board (SAB)
- External members from the international research community
- Participate in annual meetings, give advice and feedback
- SAB (since March 2009):
  - Dr Sophia Drossopoulou, Imperial College London, UK
  - Prof Ugo Montanari, University of Pisa, Italy
  - Dr Frank van der Linden, Philips Electronics N.V., The Netherlands
Follow-Up Activities: First Annual Meeting

Chalmers University of Technology (CTH), 21–23 September 2009

- Attended by ca. 40 people, including 2 SAB members
- Discussion of core ABS
- Tutorial introductions:
  symbolic execution, software product families, traits, histories
- Tool chain and methodology
- Detailed planning for active and upcoming work tasks
- Planned dissemination and training events
- 2nd general assembly and steering committee meeting
Follow-Up Activities: Work Task Meetings

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Follow-Up Activities: Quality

Project Quality Plan

- Guidelines to ensure high scientific/organizational quality
- Updated regularly based on experiences and feedback
- Published as (new) deliverable D7.3 in February 2010
- Collection of “best practices” — useful for other projects?

Financial Reporting Exercise

- Collection of same financial data as needed in annual reporting
- For first 7 PM, done in Oct 2009
- Main goals:
  1. Snapshot for scientific and financial coordinator
  2. Familiarize partners with the reporting procedures
## Follow-Up Activities: External Relations

### Coordination Action EternalS

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Extension of HATS Consortium

“Supplements to Strengthen Cooperation in ICT R&D in an Enlarged EU”

- Extend with Institute of Cybernetics, Tallinn, Estonia (IoC)
- Type systems, program logic, code generation, security
- Contribute to Tasks 1.3, 1.4, 2.4, 2.5, 4.1, 4.3, 5.3, 5.4, 6.1–6.4
- Lead Task 1.4, no new tasks envisaged
- 75 person months from 2010 to 28 Feb 2013 (PM48)
Unforeseen Problems

On the whole, the first year of HATS was smooth.

The following unexpected issues arose:

1. Annex I envisaged Univ Genova as 3rd party to BOL
   - Departments could not reach formal agreement
   - BOL found suitable local expertise
   - Project objectives & budget unchanged
   - Formal amendment was necessary (accepted by EC 14 Dec 2009)

2. Site leader of UPM and WP4 leader affected by longer illness
   - Designated deputy is Dr Samir Genaim from UPM

3. Beneficiary FRH being bought by another company
   - Process to confirm SME status has been initiated