FIRST's Mid-Term Meeting

FIRST's mid-term meeting will take place in Bath, UK, 13-15 December.

EU officials will be present to monitor FIRST's work, and the meeting is a good opportunity to plan future activities.

All nodes are expected to participate and it is anticipated that each node will have one senior participant deliver a 40 minutes talk, and all the ESRs will either give a 20 minute talk or to present a poster. There will also be some lectures by external speakers.

Please let us know by 24 October the names and email addresses of the participants from your node, both senior researchers and the ESRs. Also, please indicate who should deliver a talk and who should present a poster. We will send a registration form by the end of next week for you to fill in.

Practicalities: We have reserved rooms for the nights of the 12-14 December both on campus at the University of Bath and at an inexpensive hotel in Bath. Lunch and dinner will be provided on campus. We expect to be able to cover all local expenses.

For travel information, please see http://www.bath.ac.uk/about/gettinghere/publictransport/index.html. A taxi from Bristol Airport to Bath is about GBP 40; from Heathrow, we recommend to take the coach to Reading http://www.railair.com/), and then the train to Bath www.rail.co.uk). Travel costs should be covered by the individual nodes.

All enquiries about accommodation and registration should be made to:

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