

**Meeting**  
IPAB Staff Meeting

**Date**  
Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2018

**Attendees**

Barbara Webb  
Kartic Subr  
John McAleese  
Vladimir Ivan  
John Pisokas  
Hakan Bilan  
Ram Ramamoorthy  
Alex Li  
Timothy Hospedales  
Taku Komura  
Sethu Vijayakumar  
Bob Fisher  
Allison Taylor  
Carol Marini  
Heather Low

**Apologies**

Ruta Bader  
Michael Mistry

**Place**  
1.15, IF

**Time**  
2pm

**1. IPAB space within the new build**

- Personal offices 1<sup>st</sup> floor: 5 Academic offices available.
- Definite moves will be Alex Li, Michael Mistry and other new RA's
- Staying in Informatics: Barbara Webb, Sethu Vijayakumar, Kartic Subr, Hakan Bilan, Ram Ramamoorthy
- Neutral to move: Bob Fisher, Taku Komura, Tim Hospedales, Michael Herrmann
- All new RAs (11+) to be in the new building.
- CDT students to move to the space
- Carol has the list of rooms for each group.
- Post Docs who's supervisor is moving may also move to Bayes Centre.
- Where visitors can be? – Carol will investigate.
- Robots and layout of ground floor - before ordering furniture to have this discussion for layout
- Robot Museum – John Ashes is working on a glass display. Bob has an inventory for display. Bob to email John McAleese the inventory.

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## 2. Minutes of last meeting

No issues raised.

## 3. Matters arising

No issues raised.

## 4. Arrivals and departures

- Quentin Rouxel Post Doc - Alex.
- Dr Roman Goulard Post Doc - Barbara
- Interviewing candidates for Lecturer/Senior Lecturer/Reader in Robotics taking place in March 2018

## 5. New Grants and Proposals

- ESC proposal.
- CDT bioinformatics and AI
- CDT RAS
- Royal Society Secondment

## 6. Budget and Resources

Inviting speaker recommendations to be passed to Barbara Webb.

- Barry Trimmer – SICSA Distinguished Visitor
- Marc Raibert – share costs for Showcase October. Sethu to get in contact
- Henry Christian – Trimbot
- Rodney Brooks
- Marta Kwaitkowska - Machines and morals workshop

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## 7. Business Development

This Special Project has grown with the need to co-ordinate no less than 6 Sol CDT Bids. John McAleese remain single point of contact for IPAB BD but work may be allocated to other staff within commercialisation team.

Special Notice to IPAB Staff - please contact JMCA if he can value for you at the Artificial intelligence and robotics: innovation, funding and policy priorities: JMCA attending Westminster eForum Keynote Seminar - 27 February 2018 (representing ECR)

## 8. IPAB webpage

Informatics Communications Team to help with News Articles being published

### News Items

- Undergrad dung beetle project in South Africa - Barbara
- FCL18: AI in the Cinema – Dystopia Now? - Bob
- Forbidden planet item in London - Bob

Details for these new items to be sent to Level1Admin to put on

website.

People Page

Post Doc details on website is not up to date. Allison to email Academics to get updated details

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**9. Teaching**

- IAR teaching project cluster. Students training together however developing own projects. For more information see Barbara.
- Graphics not to be examination – Kartic contact Sharon Goldberg.
- MLP – Hakan teaching next year in deep learning.
- The informatics Communication Advisory Forum is organising a series of outreach talks for children from disadvantaged families in Edinburgh. They asked for Phd student volunteers to give the talks. Vlad to email students
- The Embedded and Robotics Society (a UoE student society) asking for volunteers to talk to undergraduate students

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**10. IPAB workshops and seminars**

No issues raised.

**11. Student Issues**

No issues raise.

**12. Computing Issues**

Remove topic from future meetings, unless requested.

Tim questioned if a Physic simulation could be purchased and which funding this would come out of. Barbara and Sethu agreed on getting an Institute account and money can come out of the ORCA grant for the duration of the grant.

**13. Admin issues**

Student business cards orders to go through Level1 Admin office and approved by Barbara.

Admin office based in the Bayes Centre for IPAB - Heather to look into.

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**14. Socials**

Firbush trip booked for April.

**15. Directors Business**

No Issues raised

**16. AOB**

Nothing raised

**17. Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018.