Master OAC Meeting: 22/05/2014

27 mei 2014

Present: Roland Geraerts, Jurriaan Hage, Fabiano Dalpiaz, Merle Spekhorst, Floor Aarnoutse, Judith Stoef, Iris Renckens. 
Absent: Gerard Vreeswijk, Geertien de Vries

1 Opening

Judith will write the notes. The meeting starts at 11:00.

2 Announcements

There is a new Master OAC for the new Artificial Intelligence master. However, we will cover the AI courses for now.

During the last OC meeting our criticism on the new Master Project is heard and at the moment there is a letter being written to communicate our concerns. Addition: Iris tells us that the Board of Studies has accepted the new Master Project and that it will start for all master’s programs in September.

The Commissioner of Education of A-Eskwadraat, currently Geertien de Vries, would like to be added to the mailing list so that he can attend all the meetings.

Actionpoint: Roland will add onderwijs@a-eskwadraat.nl to the mailinglist.

3 Previous Notes

All the headers of the notes should be English as well. It should be Round of Questions for the 'rondvraag'. On page two there should be changes from 'to' to 'too'. A sentence is not finished: "too many ects for the....". And a space should be removed before the ':'. On page four and onward the action points always state Arjan Egges to talk to. This should be changed into Remco Helms for MBI courses, Hans Bodlaender for COSC courses, John-Jules Meyer for AI courses and Arjan Egges for GMT courses.

4 Course Evaluation

It is mentioned that it is not really clear form the evaluation how many students passed the course. You can get a grade above six but still fail the course because you do not meet all the requirements. How is this being filled in by the teachers? And do teachers fill in the grades of student who failed the course.

Actionpoint: Roland will talk to the OC about the grades in Osiris. There should be better rules and they may be explained in the 'docentenhandleiding'.

- **Multimodel Interaction** - A good course, no comments.
- **Simulation** - Not really great responses. It is stated as too easy. Actionpoint: Roland will talk to Hans Bodlaender about Simulation.
- **Commonsense Reasoning and Argumentation** - ‘Pluimwaardig’. A good course, no comments.
• **Method Engineering** - The teacher responded to all the comments.

• **Enterprise Architecture** - The review is pretty bad. The teacher knew really late he had to give this course. The content of the course has not changed much over the years, but the students might feel the teacher is not really strong with the subject. There is also an overlap with Software Architecture. It is suggested that these courses might be merged, but it is also stated that the overlap is not strange since it is both on Architecture so the same systems will be used. There should be an alignment meeting for these two courses. **Actionpoint**: Roland will talk to Remco Helms about Enterprise Architecture.

• **Seminar Software Ecosystems** - Everybody liked it.

• **Introduction to MBI** - No comments.

• **Geometric Algorithms** - ‘Pluimwaardig’. Very positive responses. The teacher does has a lot of time left during his lectures. We suggest he spends this time on discussing the homework assignments.

• **Theory of Programming & Types** - ‘Pluimwaardig’. This is actually a combination of two old courses. Done very well, high grades.

• **Program Verification** - Short teacher response, but there were not many comments to responds on. No grades yet. **Actionpoint**: Roland will check why the grades of Program Verification where not known yet.

• **Multi-Agent Systems** - The grades for the course are low, but it is not really clear why. **Actionpoint**: Roland will talk to John-Jules Meyer about Multi-agent systems. More exercises were promised last year, it is not clear this has changed.

• **Advanced Graphics** - The teacher made it quite difficult, but this was not a problem for the students. But the mathematical background obtained in the bachelor might not be enough. **Actionpoint**: Roland will talk to Jeroen Fokker about the mathematical background students obtain in the bachelor.

• **Game production** - ‘Pluimwaardig’. Good responses. Good job for a new course. **Actionpoint**: Roland will talk to Jeroen Fokker about scheduling Game Production next to ‘Introductie project’ or ‘Game ontwerp’.

• **Linguistic Modeling and Experimental Research** - No comments.

## 5 Pluimen

The following ‘Pluimen’ will be awarded over the courses of period 3:

• Johan Jeuring & Wouter Swierstra - Theory of Programming & Types

• Fabiano Dalpiaz & Sjaak Brinkkemper - Game production

**Actionpoint**: Jurriaan will fill in all the ‘pluimen’ on the website and update the meeting notes.

## 6 Members next year

Iris will not be a member next year due to her graduation. Merle, Floor and Judith will all be working on their thesises next year. So we will replace some of them when new members are found. We will ask at A-Eskwadraat and Sticky to find students who are interested.
7 Issues this period

Business Intelligence is not really structured. It is not clear what is expected of the students. **Actionpoint**: Fabiano will talk to Remco Helms about Business Intelligence.

Because of the illness of Gerard Vreeswijk, Multi Agent Learning is now covered by two master students. We need to check how this is supervised such that the quality of the course is ensured. **Actionpoint**: Roland will talk to Jeroen Fokker about Multi Agent Learning.

There are currently four GMT courses in this period. This gives low student number in all courses. **Actionpoint**: Roland will talk to Arjan Egges about the course division of GMT.

Next year in period one the course ICT Advisory is given. Everybody wants to follow it, but they have limited the course to 24 students. This could cause a problem for second year MBI students because other than Game production they have no courses to follow in period one when they are excluded from ICT Advisory. **Actionpoint**: Fabiano will talk to Remco Helms about the courses of MBI in period one next year.

8 Questions

The next meeting will be around the end of August, beginning of September.

9 Closing

The meeting was done at 12:45.

10 Action points

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- Jurriaan will fill in all the pluimen on the website and update the meeting notes.
- Fabiano will talk to Remco Helms about Business Intelligence.
- Roland will talk to Jeroen Fokker about Multi Agent Learning.
- Roland will talk to Arjan Egges about the course division of GMT.
- Fabiano will talk to Remco Helms about the courses of MBI in period one next year.
- Everybody looks out for new student members.