



# Annual Report 2009

# Report of the Executive Board

## Scientific Activities in 2009

This year's activities focused on the financial conclusion of ICSOC 2009 and on the organization and holding of ICSOC-ServiceWave 2009. This year was the first time that ICSOC and its European partner ServiceWave Conference series joined forces and co-organized a joint event. The joint conference fostered the creation of cross-community scientific excellence by gathering academic and industrial experts from various disciplines such as business process management, distributed systems, computer networks, wireless & mobile communication networks, grid computing, networking, service science and software engineering.



Originally, the ICSOC Steering Committee had decided to hold the 2009 conference in Lyon. But due to urgent requests from the European Commission to move to Stockholm because Sweden held the EU presidency in the second half of 2009, the decision was revised and Stockholm was selected as event location. Two representatives from KTH (the Royal Technical University), Dr. Gunnar Landgren and Dr. Rikard Lingström, declared their willingness to take responsibility for the local organization. NESSI, the organization behind ServiceWave, and ServTech agreed that ServTech would be responsible for the financial management of the joint conference and NESSI and ServTech would cooperate to find sponsors whose contributions were necessary to keep conference fees at a bearable level because it was known that ServTech would need to deliver 25% VAT on the conference fee income. NESSI and ServTech also agreed to support the General Chairs in the preparation and holding of the conference. To achieve the goal of a successful conference, bi-monthly telephone conferences were held.

The joint conference was extremely successful with more than 250 participants.

## Finances

The ServTech balances as of January 1st, 2009, included approx. 8.000 € in expenses still due for ICSOC 2008 and a bit more that 8.000 € for expenses related to SSME 2008. That is, more than 16.000 € had to be paid early 2009 to cover expenses that had occurred in 2008.

The balances as of December 31st, 2009, included 136.000,00 € income in conference fees (incl. 25% VAT) and 33.750,00 € sponsorship money. Nearly 150.000 € of the 2009 final balance had to be spent early 2010 for

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taxes (~28.000 €), legal and financial consultancy, and expenses for rooms, catering, the gala dinner etc. (~90.000 €). A survey of the ICSOC-ServiceWave budget is included in the appendix.

The executive board suggests to the members to spend the estimated surplus of 10.000 € as sponsorship money for ICSOC 2010 for activities of public interest. A final decision will be taken during a future members meeting.

## **Members Meeting**

Both an ICSOC Steering Committee meeting and a ServTech members meeting were held in Stockholm, November 25, 2009.

## **Membership Issues**

Fabio Casati, Francisco Curbera, Schahram Dustdar, and Frank Leymann resigned towards the end of 2009. Elmar Husmann, an independent expert and consultant on strategic innovation programs and policy relations joined ServTech early 2009.