The Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and Simulation of Behaviour (AISB) is pleased to announce its forthcoming convention and to invite proposals for the symposia which will constitute the event.

- Dates: from 29th March 2004 until 1st April 2004 inclusive
- Location: University of Leeds
- Format: at least six serial/parallel symposia on specialist AI topics

The AISB'04 Symposia

Each AISB'04 symposium will feature presentations on a well-focussed AI topic. Each symposium will have a programme chair, who will be responsible for administration of the programme, recruiting a programme committee, and refereeing extended abstracts for presentation of papers at the event. It is likely that, as with previous conventions, a special issue of the Interdisciplinary Journal of Artificial Intelligence and the Simulation of Behaviour (AISBJ) will be published containing the best papers from each symposia. All aspects of local arrangements will be taken care of by the convention organiser. Funding will be available for reasonable administrative expenses.

Convention Themes

The underlying theme for AISB'04 is “Motion, Emotion and Cognition”, reflecting the current interest in such topics as: motion tracking, gesture interface, behaviours modelling, emotion simulation and others. We intend that some of the symposium proposals will reflect this theme, as will the keynote lectures. The coverage is intended to be wide and inclusive, including interdisciplinary domains such as VR simulation, musical expression and cognition, robotics, agents, autonomous, perception and sensory systems. However, it is to be emphasised that proposals in ALL areas of Artificial Intelligence and Cognitive Science are encouraged.

Making a Proposal

Proposals should be made by writing to:

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enclosing the following information:

- **Title of Symposium** - Not more than 8 words.
- **Name & affiliation of Symposium Chair** - Include both postal and email addresses and both fax and telephone numbers.
- **Abstract for Symposium** - Not more than 200 words explaining the remit of the symposium. This should be suitable for inclusion in a call for papers.
- **Case for support** - Not more than 750 words arguing the case for supporting your symposium at the AISB'04 event.
- **Programme committee** - Names and affiliations of at least four colleagues who have agreed in principle to serve on your symposium's programme committee.

Proposals will be selected by the AISB committee.

Timetable

- Symposium Proposals: 1st November 2003
- Notification re: Symposia: 11th November 2003
- Calls for Extended Abstracts by: 18th November 2003
- Abstract Submission Deadline: 20th December 2003
- Notification re: Extended Abstracts: 20th January 2004
- Submission of full papers: 1st March 2004
- Convention: 29th March 2004 – 1st April 2004