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RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE "SPECKLE'06" COMPETITION

Article 1 – Aim

The "Speckle06" competition, hereafter called the competition, is to be organised by the Ecole des Mines d'Alès. Its aim is to reward the best oral presentation (competition category "Oral Session") and best poster (competition category "Poster Session") at the International Congress "Speckle06, from Grains to Flowers" to be held in Nîmes, France from 13 to 15 September 2006.

Article 2 – Participants

Any individual may participate in the competition:

- who has submitted an abstract to the Speckle06 Organisational Committee, **as principal author**
- who has been selected by the Scientific Committee to compete in one of the categories "oral session" or "poster session"
- who has paid the registration fees for the international congress "Speckle06, from Grains to Flowers"

Members of the Speckle06 Organisational Committee may not compete.

Article 3 – 2 Categories

"Oral Session" Category – in which will compete all the authors whose abstract has been selected by the Scientific Committee to give an oral presentation at the Speckle06 Congress.

"Poster Session" Category – in which will compete all the authors who have been selected by the Scientific Committee to present their work in the form of a poster.

Article 4 – Selection Steps

Step 1: the abstracts of the research work are to be sent to the Speckle06 Organisational Committee. The authors of these abstracts are to express their desire to present their work either in an oral session or a poster session.

Step 2: all abstracts received are submitted to the Speckle06 Scientific Committee. The Scientific Committee, the composition of which is given on the Speckle06 website, <http://www.ema.fr/CMGD/speckle06/>, will select the authors who can compete in the "Oral





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Session" or "Poster Session" categories. The Organisational Committee of "Speckle06, from Grains to Flowers" will notify authors that their candidature has been accepted and will remind them on that occasion of the rules and regulations for taking part in the competition.

Step 3: Pierre JACQUOT, Kay GASTINGER and Pierre SLANGEN, as organisers of the last three congresses (Lausanne 2000, Trondheim 2003 and Nîmes 2006) will nominate the winners in the "oral session" and "poster session" categories. Their decisions are final and do not need to be justified.

Article 5 – Organisation of the Competition

After authors have been notified of selection by the Scientific Committee, the competition will proceed in the following order of steps:

"Oral Session" Category

- the authors selected to compete in this category will be informed by email at the end of January 2006;
- they must send in their definitive paper and pay their congress registration fees by 30 April 2006 at the latest;
- the prizes will be presented during the Speckle06 Gala Evening

"Poster Session" Category

- the authors selected to compete in this category will be informed by email at the end of January 2006;
- they must confirm their participation in the competition in the "Poster Session" Category to the Speckle06 Organisational Committee and pay their Speckle06 Congress registration fees by April 30 at the latest;
- the prizes will be presented during the Speckle06 Gala Evening

As of 30 April 2006, the submission of candidatures to participate in the "Speckle06" competition will be closed. Any confirmation of participation in the competition sent without payment of the registration fees will not be taken into account after 30 April 2006.

Article 6 – Selection Criteria

"Oral Session" Category: scientific content, presentation of research results, compliance with the writing and layout criteria for papers (defined on the Speckle06 website <http://www.ema.fr/CMGD/speckle06/>);

"Poster Session" Category: attractiveness of the poster, scientific content.

Article 7 – Role and Responsibilities of the Speckle06 Organisational Committee

The Organisational Committee is responsible for the following activities:





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- receipt and management of definitive papers
- receipt of registration fees for the Speckle06 congress
- sending an acknowledgement of receipt for the definitive paper and payment of the registration fees
- general administration of the competition
- awarding of the prizes at the Speckle06 Gala

Article 8 – Documentation and Information

These rules and regulations are available on the Speckle06 website <http://www.ema.fr/CMGD/speckle06/>

These rules and regulations have been filed at the offices of the professional civil company of bailiffs Chazel Hubert et Quenin Michel, 18 bd Victor Hugo, 30 000 Nîmes, France.

It can be consulted on request at the above-mentioned offices

Article 9 – Nature and Conditions of the Awarding of Prizes

The competition is enabled to award a prize of four hundred euros (400 euros) for the "oral session" category and a prize of two hundred euros (200 euros) for the "poster session" category. The prizes will be presented during the Speckle06 Gala Evening

Article 10 – Commitments of Prize Winners

The prize winners commit to participate in the Speckle06 Gala evening. They authorise the Speckle06 organisers to publish their first name and surname, their origins (research centre / industry and country) in all media (including Internet) with no entitlement to any rights whatever.

