

Annual Chapter Report

The Chapter

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| <i>Chapter:</i> | Benelux |
| <i>Year:</i> | 2010-2011 |
| <i>Officers</i> | |
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| Chapter-society liaison: | Erik Pruyt |
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| <i>Last update:</i> | 19 July 2011 |

The past year

Chapter development

Activities

Please list all activities organized by the Chapter as such in the table below; insert rows as needed. A list of extra-chapter attendees should be given in annex.

| <i>Activity</i> | <i>Date</i> | <i># Attendees</i> |
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| Conference | 1 December 2010, Delft | About 90 [see link for program & video streaming] |
| Benelux Chapter Conference “Complexity, Uncertainty and Ethics” | 14 April 2011, Delft | About 80 [see link for overview & video streaming] |
| Special Conference Issue of Int. Journal of Models and Methods on “Complexity, Uncertainty and Ethics” | 1 July 2011 submission of abstracts and LoI, 1 November 2011 submission of full papers, February 2012 publication | Participants: 16 abstracts were submitted. Double blind review will determine the final number of papers accepted. |
| Informal chapter meeting at the International Conference of the System Dynamics Society | 25 July 2011, Washington DC | We’ll see. |

Publications

Please list relevant publications in form of books, chapters, articles and conference proceedings; add rows as needed. "Type" should be coded as follows: A=article; B=book; C=chapter; P=proceeding; S=software.

| <i>Publication</i> | <i>Type</i> |
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| Special Conference Issue of Int. Journal of Models and Methods on "Complexity, Uncertainty and Ethics" [See above: more than proceedings, really a special issue] | P |
| We do not keep track of individual contributions. Our group is too large to do so. | |

Relationships with other societies or institutions

Please indicate other institutions and professional or scientific societies your Chapter maintains a relationship with. Add rows as needed.

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| EURO Working Group on Ethics and OR |
| NOSMO (Dutch Research School on Research Methods, Utrecht) |
| Technical University Delft |
| Radboud University Nijmegen |

Institutional development

If you have made changes to your constitution or other developments the Society should know about, please mention them here.

We recently founded the Benelux Chapter, drafted a constitution, etc. Everything is new.

Finances: cash reserves

If your chapter raises a membership fee, please indicate your current financial situation here.

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| Cash reserves = NO MEMBERSHIP FEE. |
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Members:

Please list the Chapter's active members in the table below. Add rows as needed.

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Level of development of system dynamics in the Chapter's area

Description of relevant attributes

The following variables are currently used to look at the development of system dynamics in the Chapter's local area:

1. Universities. Number of universities where at least one faculty belongs to the system dynamics community: represents the coverage inside the local university system.
2. Faculty. Number of faculty members who belong to the SD field: indicates if there is quantitative growth of SD in the universities. More faculty should lead to more mouth-to-mouth inside universities.
3. Courses. Number of institutions where SD is taught as part of other courses or in its own right: university training is a main driver of diffusion of SD, and it can be used as a proxy for the number of young adults who are exposed to SD.
4. Generations. Number of faculty members who belong to the SD community and have studied under a local faculty member: expresses the solidification of the community.
5. Schools. Number of school-level initiatives: progress diffusing amongst your adults towards teenagers and children, indicates a broadening outreach which promises to accelerate diffusion in the future.
6. Materials. Number of materials (books, articles, models, software) developed by local dynamicists: indicates that the field is generating products. Also, materials are needed for diffusion (reaching local people).
7. Application field. System dynamics should become recognized as regular work method in at least one field of application; this would signalize that the local society has integrated it.

QUICK GUESTIMATES:

| <i>Variable</i> | <i>Value</i> |
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| Number of universities | 8 |
| Number of faculty | 30 |
| Number of courses | 24 |
| Number of second generation faculty | ? |
| Number of school initiatives | ? |
| Number of materials | 100+ |
| Number of application fields | 10 |

Your assessment of the closing year

Please elaborate concerning any particular development that may be relevant for the Society.

Our society is very active because of extremely active members/officers as well as the penetration of System Dynamics in the Netherlands (Belgium and Luxembourg are different stories – we would like to help them start up). Every year, hundreds of new System Dynamicists are educated in our big universities. Currently we also much extreme interest from professionals and policymakers.

The coming year

Challenges

What are the opportunities the Chapter plans to take, or challenges you plan to approach during the coming year?

Continue on the current development path: educate many new system Dynamicists, organize interesting activities, and (by doing so) expand our membership. We will also strive for more coordination and cooperation.

Planned activities

Which activities (like workshops, courses or seminars) does the Chapter plan to perform during the coming year?

At least one major Conference will be organized (80+ participants). Additionally small workshops will be organized at our universities (20+ participants).

A special issue of the Int. Journal on Models and Methods on Complexity, Uncertainty and Ethics will be published by our Chapter.

Support required

What would you ask the Society to do to help the Chapter?

We will think about it and let you know at the conference.