



RoboCup National Committees

Any nation, group of nations, or nation-sized region (henceforth "region") with significant past and current RoboCup participation is invited to form a "RoboCup National Committee."

The purposes of these committees are to

- 1) Promote RoboCup within your region
- 2) Organize local RoboCup events and RoboCup opens
- 3) Manage qualification for RoboCup leagues when slots are limited
- 4) Maintain RoboCup standards for scientific research and education within your region and uphold the RoboCup mission of sharing advances through friendly competition
- 5) Maintain an English website to be linked to the main RoboCup website describing the RoboCup activities in your region

These are local events smaller than regional "open" competitions, which should also be run with national committee participation, but must be approved by the trustees.

For each such local event and open, national committees are responsible for collecting the standard RoboCup Federation registration fee from participants and sending the resulting funds to the federation (details to be announced).

The national committee is also expected to send a report following each event summarizing the participation and organization of the event, including how many people and teams participated, from where, etc. If there are many local events in a given year, they can be grouped together into a single annual report.

Each national committee should have a single chair who serves as the main point of contact with the RoboCup trustees for questions that are relevant to the region. There should be representation on the committee from all of the different RoboCup leagues in which your region is active (including RoboCupJunior). If not already established, we encourage the national committees to initiate formation of all aspects of RoboCup activities, including RoboCupRescue, RoboCupJunior, and RoboCupAtHome.

To form a committee, please get together with all of the participants from your region. Once the list of committee members is prepared, please contact the RoboCup trustees to let us know:

- 1) The members and affiliations of the committee.
- 2) The names, affiliations, and email addresses of all the teams represented by the committee (hopefully all the teams from your region).
- 3) The URL of your current webpage, if it already exists
(see <http://www.robocup.org/overview/24.html> for some examples)

The Trustees will then check that all the represented teams agree to be represented in this way, and then link the committee to the RoboCup website.