

# **Memorandum of Understanding of Partnership between the University of Toronto Computer Science Department Computer Science Student Union (CSSU) and Toronto Perl Mongers (TPM), on behalf of The Perl Foundation (TPF)**

This understanding confirms the terms and conditions of the partnership between CSSU and TPM regarding the YAPC::NA 2005 conference.

## ***Background***

### **YAPC::NA 2005**

YAPC::NA 2005 is “Yet Another Perl Conference, North America”, to be held in June of 2005. It is a 3 day long conference with approximately 200-500 attendees. The attendees will come mainly from North America (approx. 90%).

The Perl Foundation is itself a collection of volunteers operating a not-for-profit American corporation (registered with its headquarters in Holland, Michigan) owns the trademark to YAPC. In July of 2004 it put forward a call for venue proposals. Local Perl Monger groups bid for the right to hold the conference.

### **TPM**

TPM is the Toronto Perl Mongers. “Perl Mongers” is the umbrella organization for Perl users groups worldwide, and TPM is the local chapter of this. The purpose of TPM is to promote the Perl programming language to the community, and to increase the skills of our members in the Perl programming art. Membership is open, free and informal: anyone can 'join' the Toronto Perl Mongers simply by subscribing to the mailing list and/or attending the monthly meetings. For more information about the Toronto Perl Mongers visit <http://to.pm.org/>

### **CSSU**

The Computer Science Student Union is a student organization of the Department of Computer Science at the University of Toronto. Among the responsibilities of the CSSU are organizing academic and social events for the students of the department. The members of the CSSU are all undergraduate students enrolled in any Computer Science course, or enrolled in a minor, major or specialist program in Computer Science at the St. George Campus of the University of Toronto. More information about CSSU can be found at <http://www.cdf.toronto.edu/~cssu/cssu2004/index.html>

## ***Obligations***

CSSU agrees to provide TPM with the following benefits:

1. Zero-cost facilities for the 3 days of the conference, including one large (approx. 500 seats) main hall, two medium-sized (approx. 150 seats each) seminar rooms, and two small (approx. 20-30 seats each) rooms, to be used as conference organizers' space and as a "terminal room" where computers provided by TPM can be attached to the Internet for the use of conference attendees. CSSU has the ability to provide these facilities to TPM free of charge as it can get them free of charge from the Office of Space Management (OSM) of the University of Toronto as a registered student group in good standing.
2. CSSU warrants that the large main hall can be reserved and otherwise booked for the use of YAPC::NA 2005 immediately or in the very near term future.
3. CSSU warrants that the other rooms (2 medium and 2 small) cannot be identified and booked until perhaps as late as February 2005, but that it believes that there should not be a difficulty finding appropriate rooms in or near the same building as what contains the large hall.
4. It is preferable that the large hall and the 2 medium-sized seminar rooms are outfitted with data projectors, a public address system, and ethernet-based Internet connections which conference speakers can access for the sake of their presentations to conference attendees. Should any or all of these technical facilities not be present in any or all of the rooms then TPM must have permission to be able to install them for the duration of the conference. TPM understand that it could have to do this through a central A/V reservation system approved by the Office of Space Management, and that it would likely have to pay rental and technical support fees. If CSSU through its best reasonable efforts can decrease or these costs through its abilities as a registered student organization at the University of Toronto then it will do so.
5. CSSU offers all its assistance in obtaining permission for YAPC attendees to access the campus wireless Internet services available at whatever facilities are provided for YAPC with the assistance of CSSU. Failing the obtaining of permission to use existing wireless Internet services, CSSU offers its assistance in obtaining permission for YAPC to install its own temporary wireless network for the duration of the conference.

TPM agrees to provide CSSU with the following benefits:

1. The conference fee for the first 30 CSSU members who register for the conference will be reduced to the per person variable cost of the conference. TPM will provide CSSU with this cost figure once the finances of the conferences are determined.

2. CSSU may promote YAPC::NA 2005 as a joint production of CSSU and TPM/TPF to its members and to other parties at the University of Toronto.
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