**A CALL for the NEW ASSOCIATION to all members by Deborah Johnson, 1/25/2000**

Dear Colleagues,  
  I now have a plan to get the new association for  
computer ethics started and I am writing to solicit   
your help.    
  I need four things from you.  
        First, if you want to become a founding member of the   
new association, please send me accurate information   
about you as follows: name, affiliation, hard address and  
telephone numbers you wish the association to use,   
a fax number, and your email address. [Please send this  
in a separate message, i.e., separate from any other   
information.]  
        Second, I have outlined a plan below and I would like to hear  
any suggestions you have for improving the plan.  I'm  
sure I've forgotten things that should be done and the charge of each  
subcommittee could be specified better.  
        Third, if you are willing to serve on one of the subcommittees or  
are willing to chair one of the subcommittees, please let me know.  
        Fourth, please forward this message to anyone else who  
you think might be interested in joining the effort.  
  
Here’s the plan:  
1) Our deadline will be to formally launch the new association  
at the CEPE2000 conference in July at Dartmouth this summer.  
  
2) We will work via a series of subcommittees with each subcommitee  
making the decisions it has to make by, say, June 30th -- before CEPE2000.  
  
3) I will appoint the subcommittees and subcommittee chairs within the next two  
weeks [as soon as I get all of the CEPE2000 submissions sent out for review.]  
  
3) We will have the following four subcommittees:  
        A. Subcommittee on the Name of the Association.  In addition  
        to figuring out the best name for the association, this committee  
        will have to do some research to make sure there aren't any other   
        associations with the proposed name.  
          
        B. Subcommittee on Incorporation.  Wynnship Hillier has already agreed  
        to chair this subcommittee. The charge of this committee will be to draw  
        up articles of incorporation and do anything necessary to formalize the  
        existence of the association including filing with the IRS and in a state.  
          
        C. Subcomittee on Bylaws.  This committee will write the bylaws of the  
        association.  I suspect we won't have to do this from scratch.  We can  
        look at the bylaws of other associations and adapt them for our purposes.  
          
        D. Subcommittee on Membership.  For the time being, I will collect names and  
        information but this committee will take over this task creating a master list  
        set up for mailings of various kinds.  This subcommittee will also solicit more  
        memberships, and perhaps, will decide on an appropriate membership fee (or scale  
        of fees and begin to collect dues.   
  
4) Kluwer has indicated an interest in having Ethics and Information Technology connected  
to the association and giving members a reduced subscription rate.  We shall continue to  
pursue this idea and will entertain all other ideas to make the association successful.  
  
How does this sound?  
  
Deborah

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