

Purpose, Members, Rules, and Technical Details of the CMNS Mailing List

A. A NOTE ON PRIVACY

- (1) This is a private list intended to serve as an informal communication channel.
- (2) It is agreed upon not publishing or forwarding list messages or otherwise publicly referring to statements made on the list, except if the author gives his explicit permission.
- (3) Be advised not to post secrets as this type of electronic communication is never safe and you don't know all the others on this list. It has happened that messages got posted in the web, and it may happen again.

B. MAILING LIST MEMBERSHIP

- (4) This list originally consisted of some 130 people, all participants of ICCF11 and members of the ISCMNS. Our list currently includes 309 email addresses. A few people use two addresses.
- (5) Membership is by recommendation only. Only members can recommend new members.
- (6) To subscribe a new member, the recommender must send an email to <cmns@haikolietz.de>, saying that the new member is recommended, and giving the name and email address of the new member.

C. MAILING LIST RULES

- (7) The list is without moderation.
- (8) The language of this list is English but "broken English" is ok.
- (9) Messages should be relevant to CMNS. Besides technical, experimental, or theoretical discussion this can be links or comments on papers, news articles, other websites, etc.
- (10) Personal attacks are not allowed.
- (11) Violations of (2) or (10) will cause the offender to get warned one time. Repetition will cause the offender to get banned from the list for one month. A third violation will have the offender banned forever.

D. MAILING LIST TECHNICAL RULES

- (12) If you want to answer to a list message in private, only to the sender, make sure only the addressee's email address is in the "to" line. WARNING: Simply clicking on reply will send a message to the whole list.
- (13) You can only post messages using an email address that is subscribed. If you have not installed email forwarding, your posting address is the one you receive all the messages with.
- (14) If you want to start a new topic, compose a blank email, give it a title in the subject line that best describes your topic, and send it to <cmns@googlegroups.com>. (If you reply to any CMNS email and just change the subject, your email will be listed as a contribution to the original thread – despite changing the subject.)
- (15) If you want to reply to an existing message and continue a thread, press reply to the email you want to comment on. (Simply copying the subject title to a blank email will start a new thread.) In this case, quote the part you refer to, but delete the passages you don't refer to. List members are more likely to read your message if it is short. In short, emails are not grouped in threads by subject titles, but by hidden information in email headers.
- (16) Do not send big attachments as some subscribers still have narrow internet connections.

E. ORGANIZING MAILING LIST MESSAGES

- (17) All emails from this list will start with "CMNS:" in the subject line. In order to not lose control of your inbox, you can set up an email filter. Your email program will then copy all emails into a subfolder of your choice.
- (18) Alternatively, you can receive a bulk mail containing all postings from a day (digest mode), rather than every posting separately. To have this, you can either set this yourself using your Google account (if you have one) or send a short private message to <cmns@haikolietz.de>, asking for the

fix. If you reply to the daily archive please change the subject line to describe which post you are addressing. Be sure to erase all of the irrelevant sections in the new email.

F. ACCESSING THE MAILING LIST MESSAGE ARCHIVE

(19) If you want to access the message archive or use other features you can set up a Google account (by going to <https://groups.google.com/d/forum/cmns>, then clicking on “Sign in to Google Groups”, and then on “Sign up now”). But you don’t have to in order to just use this list. When setting up this account make sure you use the email address you use to send/receive CMNS messages.

(20) The archive is not public.

G. PAUSING OR UNSUBSCRIBING FROM THIS LIST

(21) If you want to pause subscription either drop me a note or set up a Google account and set it yourself (How to set up a Google account, see: F19).

(22) If you want to unsubscribe write to <cmns-unsubscribe@googlegroups.com> from the subscribed email address.

H. CHANGING THE SUBSCRIBED EMAIL ADDRESS

(23) Write to <cmns@haikolietz.de> and give both the new email address that should be subscribed and the old one that should be unsubscribed. Wait for a confirmation email that the new address has been subscribed. Then write to <cmns-unsubscribe@googlegroups.com> from the old address.

Before you post your first message please introduce yourself in a few words: who you are, what your connection to the field is, and maybe what your plans are.

Best regards,

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