

FSCD

General Meeting 2026

FLoC 2026, Lisbon, Portugal

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Agenda

- Welcome
- Test-of-time award 2026
- Report on FSCD 2026
- Some news
- Progress report on FSCD 2027, to be held in Nijmegen (Netherlands)
- Location of FSCD 2028: advisory vote
- Election of 2 new steering committee members
- Discussion on Test-of-time award
- Presentation of the journal TheoretiCS
- Other topics or questions

Test-of-time award 2026

- This year is the 10th anniversary of the 1st edition of FSCD in 2016, held in Porto !



- The SC chose to mark this anniversary with a Test-of-time award, to distinguish an article of FSCD 2016 which has had a great scientific impact
- A ToT committee was appointed, chaired by Delia Kesner and Brigitte Pientka (former PC chairs of FSCD 2016)

Report on FSCD 2026

- PC chair: Frank Pfenning
- Conference chair: Sandra Alves

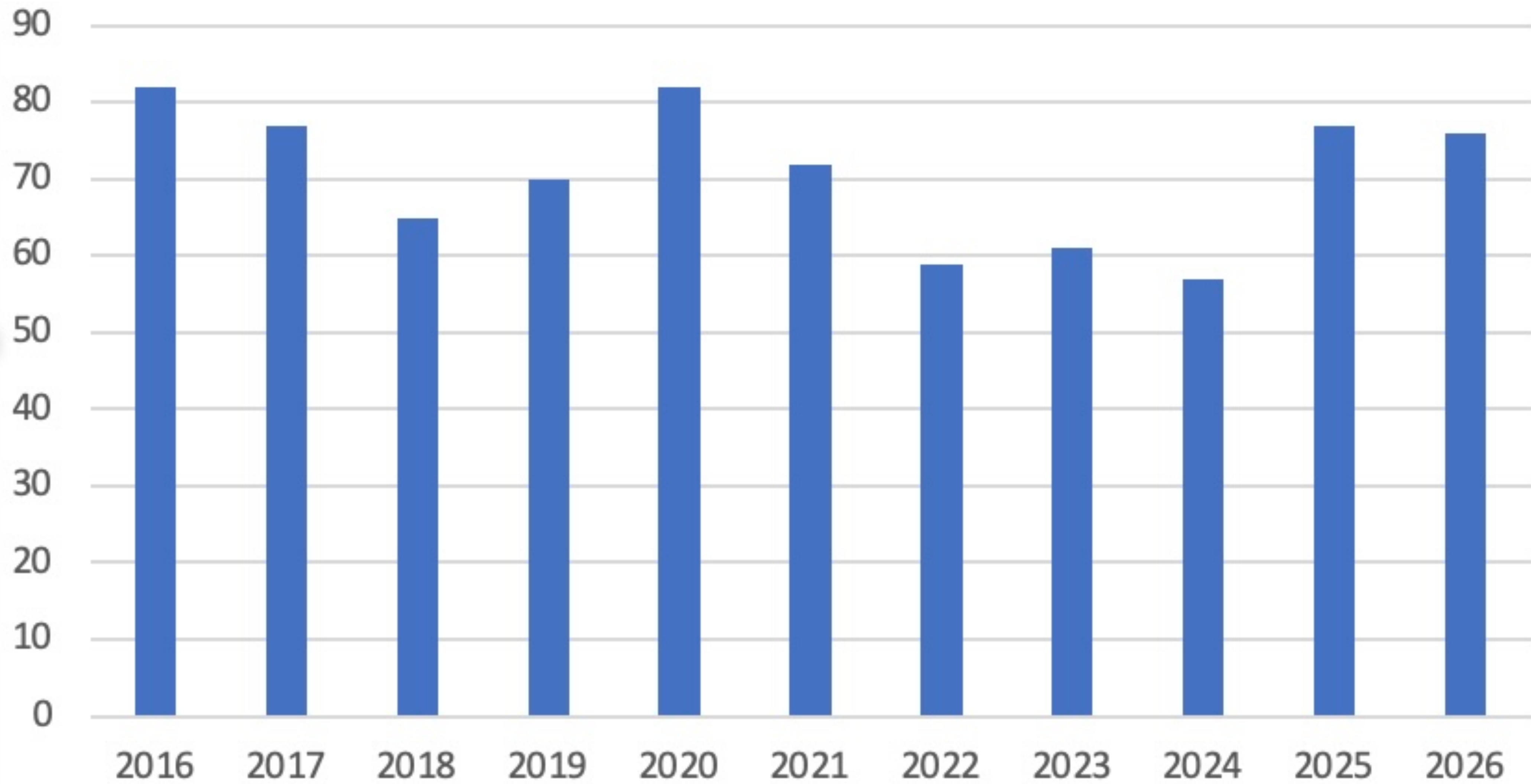
Some news (1)

Number of participants, number of submissions

year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
location	Porto	Oxford	Oxford	Dortmund	Paris	Buenos Aires	Haifa	Rome	Tallinn	Birmingham	Lisbon
FSCD number of participants	122	91	100	90	300+	203	58	107	186	92	80
number of submitted papers	82	77	65	70	82	72	59	61	57	77	76
number of accepted papers	32	29	27	30	33	28	31	30	30	31	32
acceptance rate (rounded)	39%	37%	42%	42%	40%	39%	52%	49%	52%	40%	42%
total number of participants	182	266	424	142	366	345	143	227	435	151	289

(Note that 2020 and 2021 editions were in virtual mode)

Number of submitted papers



Some news (2)

- **Change of calendar for FSCD 2027**

- Objective: fix a later deadline, in April, in order to attract more submissions
- Decided by the SC, following the discussion at the GM of 2024
- Suggestion of keeping this calendar for 2028, in order to evaluate its impact, but this has to be decided with the choice of the location for FSCD 2028.

- **Status of FSCD for ICORE ranking**

FSCD is currently ranked B (since CORE2023).

Current prospect is to resubmit at a future ICORE conference ranking round.

- **Proceedings:** LIPlcs; selected papers in LMCS special issue; possibly selected paper(s) in TheoretiCS.

FSCD 2027 : progress report

- **FSCD 2027:**
 - In Nijmegen, Netherlands
 - PC chairs: Mariangiola Dezani-Ciancaglini, Daniele Nantes-Sobrinho
 - Conference chair: Herman Geuvers

FSCD 2028

- A call for location bids for 2028 was posted on mailing lists and on the website at the end of March 2026, and stated

We invite proposals for locations to host the 13th FSCD International Conference in summer 2028, with a preference for end of August/beginning of September 2028

- **Proposals of location received for FSCD 2028:**

Location	Proposed dates for the conference
• Nantes (France).	Between June 26th and July 21st
• Paris-Créteil (France).	August 28th- Sept. 2nd
• Tbilissi (Georgia).	Between Aug. 21st and Sept. 8th, with preference for Sept.4-8

- There will be a short presentation of each proposal, after which the participants can ask questions, and an advisory vote will take place (vote for 1 or 2 ordered choices).

Election of two new SC members

Situation of the SC:

- The term of Marco Gaboardi and Femke van Raamsdonk as former PC chairs ends.
- Frank Pfenning, as PC chair of FSCD 2026, joins the SC with a term until 2029.
- The terms of Giulio Manzonetto and PB as elected members end (but PB stays as SC chair).
- The term of Cynthia Kop as workshop chair (2022-2026) ends.
- **The GM needs to elect two new SC members, with a term until 2029**
- We have two candidates (see statements of the FSCD26 web page):
 - Malgorzata Biernacka (University of Wroclaw, Poland)
 - Takeshi Tsukada (Chiba University, Japan)
- As there are 2 candidates for 2 positions there will be no vote.
- The SC will have to designate a workshop chair.

Thank you to Cynthia, Femke, Giulio and Marco for serving on the SC !

Welcome to Malgorzata and Takeshi in the SC !

Discussion on Test-of-time award

- The SC proposes to repeat the Test-of-time award annually, to distinguish one (or several) articles of **FSCD** (n-10) with a significant and lasting scientific impact.
- Moreover, as the two previous conferences **RTA (*Rewriting Techniques and Applications*)** and **TLCA (*Typed Lambda-Calculi and Applications*)** did not have any Test-of-time, we propose to also distinguish papers of these events. This will be a way to celebrate the scientific contributions on the long run of the fields now represented by FSCD.

Discussion on Test-of-time award (2)

- In practice: there have been 26 editions of RTA (1985 to 2015) and 13 editions of TLCA (1993 to 2015)
- A possibility would be to attribute each year, beside the award for FSCD (n-10)
 - One award for an edition of TLCA (in 2027: for the first edition TLCA93)
 - Two awards for two editions of RTA (in 2027: for the 1st edition RTA85 and the 14th edition RTA03; in 2028: for the 2nd and 15th edition, etc)
 - The 4 awards could be proposed by a single committee, appointed by the SC

Questions ? Comments ?

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An update

A quick reminder

- (Diamond) Open-access journal for all of TCS
- Community project involving all major TCS conferences
 - FSCD-representative at TheoretiCS:
 - Patrick Baillot
- Aims at very high quality
- Very strong Editorial Board
- Editors-in-Chief:
 - Shuchi Chawla (“Track A”)
 - Anca Muscholl (“Track B”)
- theoretics-journal.org

2-phase Editorial process

- Phase 1 considers significance and lasting value of the results (~ 3 months)
- Phase 2 focusses on validity and presentation
- Usually, articles in phase 2 are eventually accepted
- Rejections of papers are usually within 3 months

What happened recently? And what is going on?

- Suchi Shawla replaced Uri Zwick as EiC
- Antoine Amarilli replaced Meena Mahajan as secretary general
- TheoretiCS is now listed at SCOPUS
 - First cite scores are ok'ish, but are unfavourably impacted by the fact that 80% of published articles are from 2024-25 and only 20% from 2022-23
- Application for funding for 2027-2029
 - from the KOALA project by the German National Library of Science and Technology
- We are **looking for volunteers** including
 - managing editors (starting 2027)
 - layout editors (always)
 - a publicity chair (new role)
 - a treasurer (starting 2027)
 - a LaTeX wizard (starting whenever)
- contact@theoretics-journal.org

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Some statistics (as of June 30, 2026)

Status	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Published articles		2	12	26	29	10
Submissions	7	52	42	62	61	41
Accepted (by year of submission)	1	23	17	34	10	0
Awaiting decision (by year of submission)	0	0	0	2	15	20
Accepted (by year accepted)		7	9	30	28	11

QUESTIONS ?

THANK YOU !