Minutes of the TC ARSS meeting, 2004-05-09, Berlin

Members present:
Richard Ranft
Harald Gericke
Stefan Shibata
Nicolas Hans
Wieslaw Woszczyk
Kimio Hamasaki
Kunimaro Tanaka
David Ackerman
Klaus Jaschke
Derk Reefman

The technical committee meeting starts at 17.03, when Derk Reefman welcomes all members. Kunimaro-san remarks that it is very advantageous that the TC meetings of TC_ARDL and our TC are not coincident, as was the case in the first 2 TC meetings. This stresses the fact that such an arrangement should be made in the upcoming AES conventions, too.

The most important agenda point is the workshop, that the TC decided to organize for the upcoming AES convention in San Francisco. The tentative title for this workshop was `Which storage medium for what purpose'.
The TC members present could agree with this title, hence this title will be proposed officially to the organizing committee. A more detailed description of the workshop will follow separately in due time.

Derk Reefman mentioned that Kunimaro-san and he had put together an almost complete list of panelists. Hamasaki-san kindly offered his help in the preparation of the workshop, which was gratefully acknowledged. The full list of panelists will be distributed together with the full description of the workshop soon.

A further idea was to organize a workshop in Barcelona along the same line as the one in SF. For this workshop, Stefan Shibata volunteered to participate as a specialist on both recording and archiving. His help was much appreciated.

A further discussion arose along the lines of a (local)networking environment, that is, the interconnect between various pieces of equipment in a studio. Stefan Shibata and Harald Gericke discussed the importance of such a system, in the light of the fact that `recording equipment' as such doesn't exist anymore, or, at least, is not a stable factor in a studio environment: recording equipment changes with the speed computer equipment changes. Problems they currently have are mostly in the interconnect, which must be of extremely high speed AND real time. This led to a debate with Nicolas Hans, who had the viewpoint that interconnects should not necessarily be a problem. Martin Woehr emphasised the problem of interconnect by remarking that the BR solved this problem with `pocket storage': engineers carrying data on hard disk physically from one place to another. The observation of this discussion led the members to the conclusion that this would present a very good subject for a next workshop, perhaps to be held in Barcelona. Derk Reefman will poll in due time the animo for such a workshop.

Due to lack of time (at 18.00 Kees Immink presented the Heyser lecture) the meeting was closed at 17.57.

Derk Reefman