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**Objet :** Call for candidacies - 2014 final hosting place - Feedback ask for April 1rst

Dear all,

In order to keep Eurobot going and to prepare another great event we open the search for Eurobot Final 2014 host candidates.

As you know 2012 and 2013 Eurobot Finals will be organized in France by the French NOC, Planete Sciences and the city of la Ferte Bernard.

This situation gives us an opportunity to finally reach our goal: choosing the Final hosting candidate 2 years in advance.

Indeed, if we do have a cycle of 2 years before conducting the event itself, this will allow us to start all necessary preparations as soon as possible and avoid difficulties [...]. This will give time to the candidate to gather all needed forces (human, logistical, financial,...), and to become aware of all important details to be achieved by an active involvement in the preparation of the preceding Final event.

Below is the list of conditions for a candidate to be able to host the Final event in 2014:

- to have experience in organizing a national qualification, at least once;
- to be a NOC, for at least one year;
- to be able to pay a 40k Euro fee;

NOCs are asked to look for a possible location in their country, qualifying the conditions above, and send their search results as soon as possible to the EC.

If any candidate is showing good opportunities but is not qualifying all the above conditions (meaning: is a good option according to the NOC but with some restrictions and needs further studying) - it should also be included in the search results clearly indicating those restrictions.

A first feedback by the end of March will be very welcome.

Then the EC will work the NOCs that proposed a possible location, and help them preparing a more complete proposal by the end of April. In may, a visit on site may be needed prior to a finale decision.

Do not hesitate to ask for any precision.

With our very best regards,

Véronique Raoul for the Eurobot Association board.