

Information Systems (INS)

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Group dynamics

INS0 Merged with SEN 1(2005) + 5 (2010)

INS1 Martin Kersten Stefan Manegold (2011)

Fellowship after 17 years of management duty

INS2 Lynda Hardman Arjen P. de Vries (2011)

Transfer of skills from INS1 -> INS2

INS3 Robert van Liere moved to SEN (2011)

Subcritical mass, lack of external funding

INS4 Harry Buhrman became PNA6 (2010)

Logistic positioning closer to PNA-6 after move

Group evolution

INS1 Stefan Manegold

- Large group (15-20 fte)
- Healthy project portfolio and acquisition power
- Expanding into scientific database arena

INS2 Arjen P. de Vries

- Relatively small (6-9 fte)
- Healthy project portfolio
- Opportunity to expand using complementary expertise of Arnold Smeulders

Strengths

- INS1 very strong, internationally recognised
- INS2 broad mix of skills

Weaknesses

- Imbalance in group size
- Imbalance in acquisition power
- Missing data analytics component

Opportunities

- Grow and develop multimedia search (back & frontend)
- Flagship projects and connections with scientists

Threats

- Availability of NL research funding after COMMIT
- By focussing, forget to attract new topics

... looking back after my first 5 years of leadership of INS, I am happy to see that two sizeable groups have come about, one based on an ERC advanced grant geared at *scientific database management* and one focused on *interactive multimedia access* funded by the follow-up of COMMIT, with *two young excellent researchers* setting up their own groups ...