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ISMB 2016, Orlando, Florida (USA)

Terri Attwood represented GOBLET during ISMB 2016, contributing to two education posters and helping to 'man' the GOBLET booth. A more detailed report appears in this month's InFocus.

Combined CHARME/ELIXIR/GOBLET/EMBnet/NETTAB Workshop 2016

- Registrations are now open
- Programme and registration to the GOBLET/ELIXIR-ITA Train-the-Trainer Tutorial
- ELIXIR Hackathon and E&T Workshop session are now available

Up-coming courses

- Wellcome Genome Campus courses, Hinxton (UK):
 - Computational RNA Biology, 17-19 Oct Abstract deadline: 6 Sep. Registration deadline: 20 Sep
 - <u>Proteomics Bioinformatics</u>, 4-9 Dec

Deadline: 23 Sep

- Genomics & Clinical Microbiology,
 22-27 Jan 2017. Deadline: 14 Oct 2016
- ELIXIR-ITA Training Course: Python for Life Scientists, 26-30 Sep, Bari (IT)
- NGS Course: RNA-seq Data Analysis 6th edition: 26-28 Sep, Leiden (NL)
- GTPB Course: <u>Precision Medicine</u>, 27-30 Sep, Oeiras (PT). <u>Application</u> deadline: 12 Sep

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Events

- ELIXIR Bioinformatics Hackathon, 24
 Oct, Rome (IT). Free registration, see details and register here
- ELIXIR/GOBLET: <u>Train-the-Trainers</u> <u>Tutorial</u>, 24 Oct, Rome (IT). Programme & registration soon available
- First GALAXY Project Admin Training Workshop: 7-11 Nov 2016, Salt Lake City (USA)
- EMBL Conference: <u>Target Validation</u>
 <u>Using Genomics & Informatics</u>, 4-6 Dec,
 Heidelberg (DE). Abstract deadline: 13
 Sep, Registration deadline: 25 Oct

Jobs

- 3 Post-Doctoral vacancies in Evolution/ Bioinformatics, at McInerney lab, Univ. Manchester (UK). More info here
- Post-Doctoral/Research Engineer position, at V. D. del Angel lab, French Institute of Bioinformatics. Application: contact victoria.dominguez@francebioinformatique.fr



Best wishes, The EMBnet Operational Board

ENBICATIONS

GOBLET makes a splash at ISMB 2016

by T. K. Attwood

As you probably all know, ISMB (Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology) is the <u>ISCB</u> (International Society for Computational Biology)'s annual international conference. During its 23 years of existence, despite its name, it has become the largest computational biology and bioinformatics meeting in the world.

ISMB 2016 was held at the Swan and Dolphin Hotel complex in Orlando, Florida (USA), from 8-12 July. For some, the Disney World location provided an opportunity to explore 'Disney's Magical Kingdom'. For others, the meeting offered a chance to participate in a mystical array of Satellite and Special Interest Group Meetings, Applied Knowledge Exchange Sessions, Community of Special Interest and Committee Meetings, alongside the full conference itself, allowing participants both to learn and discover more about cutting-edge research, and the latest algorithm, tool and resource developments.

This year, **GOBLET** presented two posters in the Education Track. The Learning, Education and Training Committee reviewed its recent activities, including i) development of a set of minimal, standard descriptors for training materials to ensure FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable)compliance; ii) development of core competencies, and guidelines on their use; and iii) charting the bioinformatics elearning landscape, to discover existing resources and develop new materials. Meanwhile, the Fund-Raising Committee promoted a new initiative to develop a Train-the-Trainer programme, aiming to



GOBLET members supporting the booth at ISMB 2016

increase the provision of bioinformatics training in Next Generation Sequencing.

In addition, GOBLET had its own booth in the exhibition hall, to highlight the work of the foundation in general and raise awareness of the forthcoming AGM in Brisbane (AU), 7-9 November, and to try to stimulate further community engagement. The booth was supported by members of the Executive and Operational Boards, committee members and local organisers of the next AGM.

The next major opportunity to present GOBLET's achievements and to meet members of the community will be ECCB 2016, the 15th European Conference on Computational Biology, to be held in The Hague (NL), 3-7 September. If you have an interest in training in general, and want to learn more about GOBLET in particular, we hope to see you there!

