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**From:** [REDACTED] on behalf of Ben Goertzel [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thur 4/30/2009 11:51:03 AM  
**Subject:** Re: brief update, and question: Interested to fund the video recording and editing of the AGI Summer School lectures, for \$2K?

Great, thanks!

On Wed, Apr 29, 2009 at 7:48 AM, Jeevacation <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

> Yes  
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> Sent from my iPhone  
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> On Apr 29, 2009, at 6:57 PM, Ben Goertzel [REDACTED] wrote:  
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>> Hi Jeffrey,  
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>> Quick financial update: I've sorted out how to cover my own expenses  
>> thru mid-July, via the investment Novamente received.  
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>> I've been carrying on with the mathematical formalization stuff I've  
>> been doing for the last couple months.  
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>> But the main topic of this email is: For 3 weeks in June/July I'll be  
>> leading the world's first AGI Summer School, which will be in Xiamen,  
>> China  
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>> [http://www.goertzel.org/AGI\\_Summer\\_School\\_2009.htm](http://www.goertzel.org/AGI_Summer_School_2009.htm)  
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>> As with pretty much every such endeavor in the current economy,  
>> funding is rather tight. We're right at the point where tuition from  
>> students will match stipends to faculty (and note that my own stipend  
>> will be covering my expenses for a couple weeks).  
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>> Some of the lectures are quite general in scope, and about 1/3 of them  
>> are fairly specific to my OpenCog project. There will be 7  
>> international faculty giving the lectures, including me.  
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>> I'd like to have the lectures effectively recorded and edited and  
>> placed online, so as to educate folks who can't make it to China this  
>> summer.  
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>> I don't trust the Chinese university to do this ... to make a long  
>> story short, they have a special Chinese way of screwing things up. I  
>> found someone (Raj Dye) who is enthused to record and edit the  
>> lectures for free, but I need \$2000 to cover his airfare and room and  
>> board. Question is whether you're interested to donate \$2K to the  
>> summer school for this purpose.  
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>> -- Ben  
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