

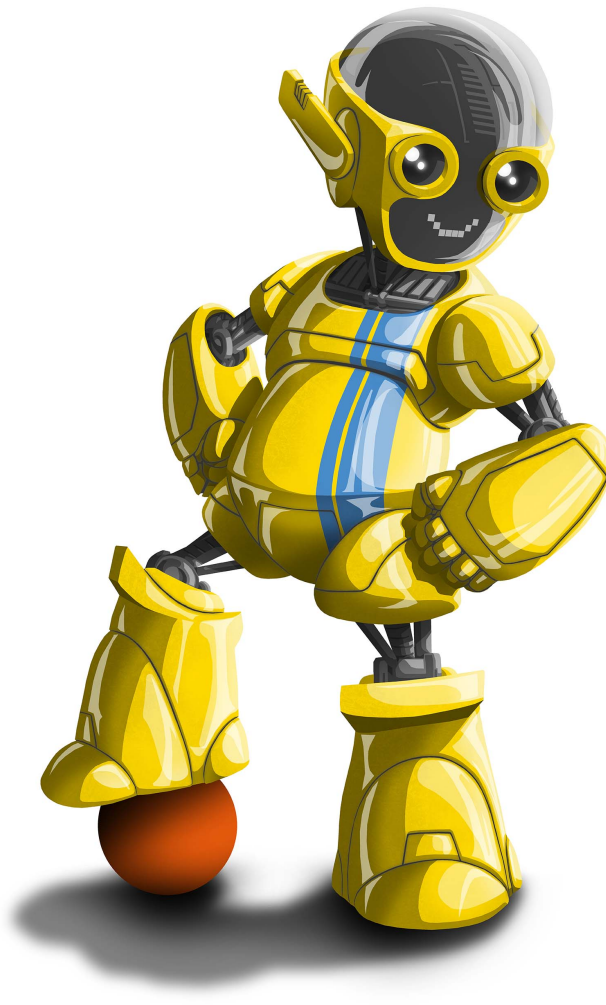
## RoboCup 2016 mascot is searching for a name!

Ideas can be submitted at the family gaming festival “Leipzig spielt“ on February 6.

RoboCup 2016 is coming to Leipzig in less than six months. Already for some time, our yellow and blue mascot is advertising for the world championship of robots – without a proper name. We want this to change soon and invite you to submit proposals for a name of the robot mascot until February 19.

Team spirit, fairness, scientific progress, and a bold vision for the future are the basic ideas and values of RoboCup. The 20<sup>th</sup> RoboCup will be held at the Leipzig fair ground from June 30 to July 4, 2016,. Over four days robots compete in different competitions. Besides many robots playing soccer, there will be robots running through a rescue parcours, performin household tasks or logistical processes. 3,500 participants from 40 countries are expected to attend. As a host of this unique event the yellow and blue mascot of RoboCup 2016 welcomes participants and visitors.

The organizing team of the RoboCup is searching for a name for this pleasant companion. Whether German or international, male or female, a real name or a fantasy word: There are no limits to your creativity. The name should reflect the basic values of RoboCup (see above). Ideas can be sent until February 19<sup>th</sup> to [info@robocup2016.org](mailto:info@robocup2016.org). A jury consisting of five members - Gerhard Kraetzschmar (General Chair of RoboCup 2016), Oskar von Stryk (Associate Chair of RoboCup 2016), Luis Almeida (Trustee of the RoboCup Federation), Kati Fritzsche (Project Director of RoboCup 2016) and Klaus Staeubert (Editor of the daily newspaper “Leipziger Volkszeitung”) - will choose the winner who gets a VIP ticket for the world championship of robots: 2 season tickets including free parking, a catering coupon valued at 30€ as well as a meeting and a photo with the mascot.



### First ideas at the family gaming festival “Leipzig spielt”

Proposals for a name can be submitted during the up-coming weekend at the family gaming festival “Leipzig spielt” (February 6). Visitors can take a souvenir picture in front of a photo wall and give their suggestions for a name. The HTWK Leipzig RoboCup team sets up a small soccer pitch and allows visitors to navigate a soccer playing robot towards the goal via a remote control device. There is also a drawing corner for little robot fans: Children can “clothe” the mascot of the RoboCup – thereby they surely will have a creative idea for a name. Further information about “Leipzig spielt” here: [www.leipzig-spielt.de](http://www.leipzig-spielt.de)