Support for Lua team attending TUG 2007

This proposal is for supporting one of the core Lua team members, Roberto Ierusalimschy, to come to TUG 2007 (http://tug.org/tug2007), in July 2007 in San Diego, California, USA. Roberto can tell us all about Lua-the-language, as background for presentations by Taco and Hans about Lua $T_{\rm E}X$.

We're currently thinking that Roberto will give a workshop/demo on the workshop day, and then a presentation during the regular sessions. He is amenable to doing whatever we want.

Unfortunately, Lua's travel funds have been exhausted, so we need to support him if we want him to come. Roberto estimated a maximum of \$3000 for him to attend—about \$1800 airfare, \$1200 the rest. It could easily end up being less, and we can reimburse after the total is known. He doesn't need money up front.

TUG will certainly contribute some support, but the entire \$3000 would be difficult, what with the other funding needs for the conference. We were hoping that the cost could be split between our three groups, as the three principal LuaT_EX supporters in the first place, so it's less onerous for any one group.

I'd like to ask for 800 Euro from DANTE and 500 Euro from NTG. TUG will make up the rest.

Thank you for your consideration.

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