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Upcoming events

OCTOBER IN BUDAPEST

This October, Budapest, Hungary, will welcome the 15th International Conference on Cognition and Exploratory Learning in Digital Age (CELDA 2018), the 17th International Conference WWW/Internet (ICWI 2018) and the 15th International Conference on Applied Computing (AC 2018). The conferences will take place from the 21st to the 23rd October 2018. These are blind peer reviewed conferences. Authors are invited to submit their papers in English through each conferences' submission page.

The digital age poses challenges at many levels, the 15th International Conference Cognition and Exploratory Learning in Digital Age reiterates, in every edition, its dedication to the main issues concerned with evolving learning processes and supporting pedagogies and applications.

The main issues of concern within the WWW/Internet are the focus of the 17th International Conference WWW/Internet that throughout its editions has witnessed the continuous development of innovative research regarding the context of WWW and Internet.

The 15th International Conference Applied Computing aims to address the main issues of concern within the applied computing area and related fields.

Dates to remember

Submission Deadline: 27 July 2018 Notification to Authors: 24 August 2018

Final Camera-Ready Submission and Early Registration: Until 14 September

2018

Late Registration: After 14 September 2018

Join us in Budapest!



This month's events

MCCSIS 2018 THIS JULY IN MADRID

We look forward to welcoming you to the 12th edition of the Multi Conference on Computer Science and Information Systems (MCCSIS 2018) that will be held from 17 to 20 July 2018 in Madrid, Spain. This annual event aims to address two main subjects: Computer Science and Information Systems and has different conferences according to several themes. Last year it received 652 submissions. This year, it comprises 10 different conferences. Every year we are joined by researchers, students, practitioners and other professionals from across the world, contributing to a rich exchange of knowledge and experiences. For more information visit http://mccsis.org/.



Talking With

Assoc. Professor Pedro Isaias President of the International Association for the Development of the Information Society

What motivated you to create the association?

My main motivation was that, at the time (2001), there were not many entities organising conferences, and there were not many conferences in the Information Systems area. So, we emerged as an innovative and agile platform. Nowadays everything is different. There is a plethora of conferences. Only the best will survive! And I am sure we will be part of the survival group. Despite our 17 years we are still very agile.



What is the association's mission?

Our mission is diversified. We focus in conference organisation and knowledge dissemination, but we also foster participation in research projects. Furthermore, we promote networking and interaction with key academics that want to engage in further collaborations and research.

What do you envision for the association's future?

I am an optimistic person. I am convinced that the association will have a bright future. It has a central role in key areas and events. We strive to give response to participants needs in terms of new areas of research and try to address them.

What are the key benefits of attending the association's conferences?

The benefits are to interact both with more senior academics but also with young PhD students and lecturers that are just starting their careers. Moreover, we always managed to attract people from all over the world. I still remember our first WWW/Internet conference. We had 17 academics from Australia! An amazing feat for a conference just starting in Europe, back in 2002!

What challenges pertain the organisation of the association's conferences?

Nowadays there aren't many. We are very experienced in conference organisation and we are like the Port wine; we get better over the years. Participants always praise us for the good work. And we have an amazing secretariat! So, the challenges are minimal. Many times, problems have to do more with things that we cannot control like a keynote having to cancel his or her travel because of personal reasons, or with weather conditions and political situations, in particular countries, rather than with things that depend on our actions.

Assoc. Prof. Eugenia Smyrnova-Trybulska **Head of the Department of Humanistic Education** and Auxiliary Sciences of Pedagogy, Faculty of Ethnology and Sciences of Education University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland

Which conference have you attended?

Generally, I've participated in more than 150 scientific conferences and in the second IADIS EduTech2016 and EduTech2017 conferences. The article about IADIS 2016 was printed in International Journal of Research in elearning (IJREL) Vol 2, Issue 2, 2016:

http://weinoe.us.edu.pl/sites/weinoe.us.edu.pl/files/08_eugenia_smyrnova-trybulska.pdf.

Thank you again for the invitation!

What do you think was the highest point of the conference? As for me all events and activities of the conference - formal as well as informal were very important and well prepared and organised: the plenary session and two beautiful keynote lectures, by Prof Pedro Isaias and Prof Ana Hal, the conference sessions and presentations, the excursion and the project dinner! An important contribution to the conference is the Conference Proceedings with the best articles of the participants, indexed in Scopus. Thank you very much for perfect organising!

What is the value that you perceive in these conferences?

ICEduTech (http://icedutech-conf.org/) is a scientific international conference addressing the real topics as seen by teachers, students, PhD students, researchers, experts, tutors, parents, and school leaders. Scientists, professionals, and institutional leaders are invited to be informed by experts, and to increase the understanding of what education needs and how to achieve it in conditions as the internationalisation of education and globalisation and digitalisation of the world.

What did you think of the conference tour and dinner?

The conference tour and dinner were very well prepared, organised and conducted. All participants of the conference had the possibility to view a lot of beautiful places of Sydney: Sydney's suburbs and the bustling streets; Opera House, the beautiful Sydney Harbour, the skyline and take a stroll to the Botanical Gardens; Darling Harbor. All participants of the conference went for a walk and got a chance to enjoy the sites of the yachts, restaurants and the end of the year festive decorations. Dinner took place at Olivo restaurant. All dishes were excellent and very delicious:) Have taken several nice photos in the night in Darling Harbor!

If tomorrow you launched an initiative (i.e. project, paper, collaboration, other) based on what you have learnt in this conference, what would it be?

All topics of the conference as well as lectures were important and contemporary. Among the more interesting topics I could highlight: Robotics in Education; Smart technology in contemporary university; increasing of a quality of e-learning; m-learning; networking and International Higher Education.

Would you return to this conference in the future?

Yes of course, I plan to return to IADIS conference in the future and thank you very much for organising such wonderful international scientific event on the highest world level!

Latest from the media

One fish, two fish: A.I. labels wildlife photos to boost conservation, Digital Trend

Blended Is Best, Inside Higher Ed

Encyclopædia Britannica Wants to Fix False Google Results, Wired

The most infamous data breaches, Tech World

The game-changing potential of smartphones that can smell, Computer World

Apple's new 'digital wellbeing' tools aim to help reduce screen time, The Guardian

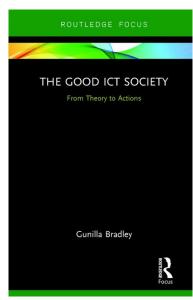
No keyboard, no problem: Welcome to the dual-screen laptop era, CNET

Mobile App for Autism Screening Yields Useful Data, e-Health News

What is Affective Computing And How Could Emotional Machines Change Our Lives?, Forbes

Data Science: Why Retail Will Reap the Biggest Rewards, Inside Big Data

Recommended Reading



THE GOOD ICT SOCIETY - From Theory to Actions,

by Prof. Gunilla Bradley

(www.routledge.com/9781138294295)

The world is ever-changing. Prof. Gunilla Bradley takes the reader through a quick analysis of the current social and psychological changes in the Information and Communication Society and describe aspects that help us having both wisdom and a good quality of life in ICT societies. Bradley challenges us to avoid becoming victims of technology - whether we are professionals, policymakers, parents or citizens. Instead, she introduces a theoretical model based on four decades' worth of research to help the reader to understand this complex, technological world. Emphasising the necessity of a co-operative parallel between the automation and humanization of society, this innovative volume will be of interest to undergraduate and postgraduate students and postdoctoral researchers interested in the subjects such as Information and Communication Technology and Social Change, Psychology and Sociology, Computer Technology and Media Technology.

Research Initiatives

E-government systems: survey response invitation

A lot of money is being spent in many countries around the world building online government systems, and to know whether this is a good use of government money it's important to know if the public would use these systems or not. Please access https://curtin.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1Gi3gVqDRsXywdv to fill out the survey until 30th July 2018. It should not take longer than 10 minutes of your time.

Learning Analytics Critical Success Factors: survey participation request

Researchers and practitioners from The University of Queensland and Griffith University are conducting research to identify the Critical Success Factors (CSFs) pertinent to Learning Analytics implementations at Australian and International universities. The study will identify those factors unique to Learning Analytics University implementations. Please take this short survey if you work with Learning Analytics in some capacity at your University, until 17th August 2018: http://ugbel.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV eUP9cnlbWzN7E2h

Special Issue on Educational Big Data and Learning Analytics

The purpose of this special issue is to place an emphasis on the design, development and evaluation of LA using EBD. As LA reaches mainstream, it is crucial to examine design guidelines and best practices and development methods that can assist educators to benefit from the potential of the data that is available and the techniques that can endow it with meaning. Also, once the design and implementation stages are completed, it is key to explore their effectiveness with methods that can provide insight into the actual value of using LA and EBD. Hence, we aim to invite researchers who are engaged in exploring design methodologies, development methods and effectiveness evaluation of LA and/or EBD applications which can provide solutions to the

abovementioned issues and challenges. All submissions will be reviewed by at least three reviewers. The final camera-ready manuscripts have to be revised by the author(s) according to the reviewers' comments.

The important dates are:

Submission deadline: October 31, 2018
1st run review notification: December. 31, 2019

Revised manuscript submission deadline: February 15, 2019

2nd run review notification: April. 15, 2019 Revised manuscript submission deadline: May 31, 2019

Acceptance notification: June 15, 2019

Final camera-ready manuscript and required documents upload deadline: July 15, 2019 Editorial Preface submitted by guest editor: July 31, 2019 Publication date: September, 2019

For more information visit: https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/10494820.2018.1472430

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