The 8th International Conference on ICT, Society and Human Beings (ICT) 2015 was hosted in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain, 21 to 23 July, 2015. This conference was part of the Multi Conference on Computer Science and Information Systems (MCCSIS) 2015.

The 2015 event was organized by the International Association for Development of the Information Society (IADIS) and co-organized by the Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain.

The effects of ICT on human beings as well as the interaction between ICT, individuals, and society were all within the center of this conference. Both analyses of interactions and effects were important. Changes in behaviour, perspectives, values, competencies, human and psychological aspects and feelings were all of interest. Reflections on past, present, and future challenges – especially planning for handling the latter were encouraged.

In general all types of research strategies were encouraged, and especially cross-disciplinary and multi-disciplinary studies. The main topics for submissions were: Globalization and ICT; Life environment and ICT; Life role and ICT; ICT and effects on humans; Perspectives on ICT; Desirable goals and ICT and Actions for reaching the Good Information Society.

The proceedings of the ICT, Society and Human Beings 2015 Conference were jointly published with the Web Based Communities and Social Media 2015 and Connected Smart Cities 2015 Conference.

These events received 121 submissions from more than 22 countries. Each submission was anonymously reviewed by an average of five independent reviewers, to ensure that accepted submissions were of a high standard. Consequently only 20 full papers were accepted which means an acceptance rate of 17%. A few more papers were approved as short papers, reflection papers and posters.

Extended versions of the best papers were published in:

- the IADIS International Journal on WWW/Internet (ISSN: 1645-7641)
The Conference included the presentation of full papers, short papers, reflection papers and posters, and also offered two keynote presentations from internationally distinguished researchers, Steven Duggan, Director, Worldwide Education Strategy, Microsoft, USA and Dr. Jacques Bulchand-Gidumal, Professor of Digital Enterprises and Entrepreneurship, Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain.

Keynote Presentation:

FAIL FAST AND FAIL FORWARD – EMBRACING FAILURE AS A NECESSARY PRECURSOR OF SUCCESS IN THE DELIVERY OF ELEARNING SERVICES

by Steven Duggan, Director, Worldwide Education Strategy, Microsoft, USA

Keynote Presentation:

A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE ON THE SINGULARITY POINT. HOW IT IS SUBSTITUTING JOBS IN THE SERVICE SECTOR

by Dr. Jacques Bulchand-Gidumal, Professor of Digital Enterprises and Entrepreneurship, Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain

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