



DOCTORAL CONSORTIUM:

Call for Doctoral Consortium papers

The ACII 2007 Doctoral Consortium (DC) serves as forum for PhD students to share ideas about the theories behind affective computing; its development; and its application. The goal of this Special Session of the Conference is to compare approaches, discuss future research problems and receive feedback from the international community.

The aims of the Doctoral Consortium:

- to provide PhD students with a friendly and lively atmosphere for presenting their research ideas, exchanging experiences with peers, and receiving constructive feedback on their work from the international research community;
- to help students and doctoral candidates to formulate research questions and organise their research;
- to help to forge new relationships and collaborations within the International ACII community, promoting collaborative research;
- to support a new generation of researchers with information and advice on academic, research, industrial, and non-traditional career paths.

Proceedings of the Doctoral Consortium will be published in a self-contained volume (separate from the Conference Proceedings), with an ISBN.

Some funds will be available for supporting students with particular needs. Inquiries should be made to the Conference Chairs (see below).

Submissions should describe PhD research that is at a stage where feedback from the international community might be of value. Thus, it is expected that students who will submit papers should be closing to make a PhD research proposal, or have made it already but have at least a year of work remaining to complete their PhD thesis. Submissions must not exceed eight pages (including references). They should be well organised and structured in a way that demonstrates the links between the concepts presented, and they should clearly specify:

- the problem(s) that the proposed research is addressing and how this fits into the bigger picture
- the aims and objectives of the research
- the methodology to achieve the objectives and the proposed solution(s), including a brief description of work done so far and a tentative plan for future work
- the main contribution(s) of the research to the development of Affective Computing

Paper topics should be related to the conference topics, which are given in the general call for papers (see list of important sites below).

Format of DC papers and submission instructions:

Papers should be **a maximum of 8 pages**, including references

Papers must be formatted according to Springer's LNCS guidelines (the same format that is used for the main conference): see list of important sites below.

Submissions should be made in electronic format as PDF files.

If your paper includes images or screenshots please ensure that you set image compression at 600dpi when you produce your PDF file.

Submit on or preferably before **June 15, 2007** by sending your paper as an attachment to an email message to both ACII'07 Doctoral Consortium Co-chairs:

- Fiorella de Rosis (derosis_at_di.uniba.it)
- Roddy Cowie (r.cowie_at_qub.ac.uk)

If you have any questions regarding submissions, please email one of the Co-Chairs.

Important dates:

- Doctoral Consortium Proposal Submission: June 15, 2007
- Doctoral Consortium Notification: July 15, 2007
- Camera-Ready Version Submissions: July 30, 2007

Important sites:

- ACII 07 website: <http://gaips.inesc-id.pt/acii2007/>
- General call for papers <http://gaips.inesc-id.pt/acii2007/call.html>
- To see the relevant instructions for authors, [please download typeinst.pdf.](#)
- To see full Springer instructions for authors (including templates, etc) go to http://www.springer.com/east/home/computer/lncs?SGWID=5-164-7-72376-0&teaserId=45515&CENTER_ID=99829

Programme Committee

Tanja Banziger, University of Geneva
Marco Guerini, ITC-IRST, Trento
Kostas Karpousis, Technical University of Athens
Jarmo Laaksolathi, SICS, Stockholm
Margaret McRorie, Queen's University of Belfast
Maria Miceli, ISTC, CNR Rome
Ian O'Neill, Queen's University of Belfast
Pierre-Yves Oudeyer, Sony
Catherine Pelachaud, IUT, Montreuil
Ian Sneddon, Queen's University of Belfast
Asimina Vasalou, Imperial College, London
Ioana Vasilescu, Telecom Paris
Gualtiero Volpe, DIST, Genova