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Robotics Reading Group

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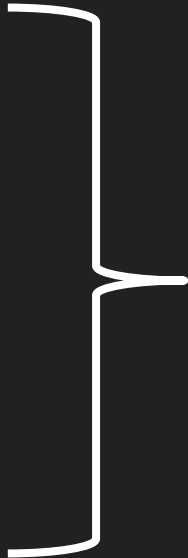- Interdisciplinarity is cool (specially in robotics)

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Wait - wasn't it called HRI Reading Group?

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It's not just changing the name! We are opening the discussion to themes like:

- Machine Learning
- Cognitive Computational Models
- Autonomy
- Multi-agent
- User Studies
- Simulation Environments
- Explainable
- Ethics
- General Research Topics

Applied to Robotics

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- Propose papers (or other formats)

- Present and discuss them

- Coordinate with us

TOP 4 Arguments **NOT** To Attend the Reading Group

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Me too! We are all busy. If you cannot come one week, that's fine. Come when you can!

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That's fine. You do not need to come to all of the sessions. However, you can propose a topic you like!

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You can still come, it's not mandatory to read all papers. The paper will be presented and you can engage in the discussion part. It will be fun!

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So is Instagram, and we still go there. Waste your time better and come to the Reading Group ;)

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When?

- Every **two weeks**, starting on the 18th of October!
- Intercalated with Gaips Lounge.
- On the first session there will be a surprise, so bring your best clothes!

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Sounds wonderful, how can I engage and get to know more about it ?

- Visit the website: https://gaips.inesc-id.pt/hri-reading-group/
- Discuss on the Slack Channel: **#robotics_reading_group**
- Subscribe to the GAIPS-XP Mailing List (ask Ricardo)

(Don't worry about rushing to copy all this, we will be sending an email soon with all the contact information)

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