

CALL FOR PAPERS

PRESENCE 2002: The 5th Annual International Workshop on Presence

Porto, October 9-10-11, 2002
<http://www.ufp.pt/presence2002>

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Important dates

Submission Deadline: June, 1.

Notification of acceptance: August, 1

Registration start: September, 1

Workshop: October, 9, 10, 11

Overview

Academics and practitioners with an interest in research, theory, and applications related to the concept of presence are invited to submit their work for presentation at PRESENCE 2002, at Fernando Pessoa University, October 9-10-11, 2002.

PRESENCE 2002 is the fifth in a series of highly successful International Workshops on Presence. PRESENCE 2002 will provide an open discussion forum to share ideas regarding concepts and theories, measurement techniques, and applications regarding presence, the psychological state or subjective perception in which a person fails to accurately and completely acknowledge the role of technology in an experience, including the sense of 'being there' experienced by users of advanced media such as virtual reality.

Appropriate Topics

Submissions of papers, videos, and demonstrations regarding completed or ongoing work are encouraged in areas including (but not limited to):

- Explications of the presence concept
- Presence evaluation/measurement methodologies
- Causes and consequences (effects) of presence
- Presence in shared virtual environments and online communities
- Social/affective interfaces, virtual agents, parasocial interactions
- Presence-associated technologies:
 - Immersive, interactive, multimodal displays
 - Advanced broadcast/cinematic displays (stereoscopic TV, HDTV, IMAX, OMNIMAX)
 - Virtual environments/simulators
- Presence applications:

- Education and training
 - Medicine and therapy
 - Entertainment
 - Communication
 - Teleoperation
- Presence and design
 - Presence in art
 - Presence and philosophical issues (e.g., the nature of 'reality')
 - The ethics of presence Presence in the future: Media experiences in the 21st century and beyond

How To Submit Work To Be Presented

Potential contributors are invited to submit an extended abstract (no more than 4 pages when printed) until June 1. The abstracts should be in HTML format and submitted online at the PRESENCE 2002 web site.

The abstracts will be blind-reviewed. At least two selected reviewers will read each submission and contributors will be notified regarding acceptance on or before August, 1.

For further information, contact: Feliz Ribeiro Gouveia, fribeiro@ufp.pt.

Conference location

The Workshop will be hosted by M.I.N.D. Lab (<http://www.mindlab.org>) at University Fernando Pessoa, a private university located in Porto, Portugal.

Registration

Registration costs are 180 EUR for individuals with an academic, governmental, or non-profit affiliation; 270 EUR for individuals with a corporate affiliation; and 110 EUR for graduate students presenting a paper at the workshop. This fee includes admission to all Workshop sessions, dinner on the first evening, the closing luncheon, and two buffet lunches.

Registration begins September 1, 2002. Please visit the PRESENCE 2002 web site for the registration and payment forms and procedures.

Contact

Please email any further queries about the Workshop to: Feliz Ribeiro Gouveia, fribeiro@ufp.pt.