Welcome to Ubiquitous Robots 2020 in Kyoto!

The 17th International Conference on Ubiquitous Robots (UR 2020) will be held in the Ritsumeikan University - Suzaku Campus, Kyoto, Japan, from June 22-26, 2020. Since its inception in 2004, Ubiquitous Robots has now established itself as a leading mid-size robotics conference, bringing together robotics researchers from around the world who share the vision that robots, like mobile phones, will become ubiquitous in our daily lives, and help connect and empower humans.

Robotics is the ultimate interdisciplinary field, and Ubiquitous Robots invites contributions from the entire foundational spectrum—design, perception, manipulation, interfaces, mobility, intelligence—and application domains—industrial, social and cultural interaction, transportation, medical, rehabilitation, healthcare, agriculture, construction, security, disaster, and many others.

Ubiquitous Robots 2020 promises to be an exciting and innovative event, with plenary and invited talks, oral presentation, posters, and workshops. We invite you to submit your latest work to Ubiquitous Robots 2020, and to come experience the myriad attractions of Kyoto.

Important Dates

- Jan. 31: Submission Deadline
- Jan. 15: OS/Workshop/Tutorial Proposal Deadline
- Feb. 15: OS Paper Submission Deadline
- Mar. 30: Acceptance Notification
- May. 15: Final Manuscript Submission Deadline

Keynote Speeches

- Young Jae Jang (KAIST, Korea)
- Erhan Öztop (Ozyegin University, Turkey)
- Antonio Sgorbissa (University of Genoa, Italy)
- Jeff S. Shamma (KAUST, Saudi Arabia)
- Tadahiro Taniguchi (Ritsumeikan University, Japan)
- Weiwei Wan (Osaka University, Japan)

Plenary Talks

- Kevin M. Lynch (Northwestern University, USA)
- Antonio Bicchi (University of Pisa, Italy)
- Ken Goldberg (University of California, Berkeley, USA)
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**Paper Submission**

- **Regular Papers** (4-8 pages): Prospective authors are invited to submit high-quality papers for oral presentation, and the accepted papers will be included in Ubiquitous Robots IEEE Xplore Conference Proceedings.
- **Work-in-Progress Papers** (2-6 pages): The conference seeks contributions from a broad set of on-going works for poster presentation with possible active interaction in the conference. The accepted papers will be included in the conference proceedings for distribution to the conference participants. However, work-in-progress papers will not be uploaded to the IEEE Xplore Digital Library.
- **Call for Organized Sessions**
  - The goal of organized sessions is to provide focused discussions on a new topic or innovative applications of a new approach related to the various aspects of all kinds of robots.
  - At least 4 papers are required for each organized session. It is highly recommended that each session should consist of a mix of first authors from at least two different countries. Note that papers submitted to organized sessions are reviewed by the Conference Editorial Board (CEB). The CEB makes a decision on the acceptance and the type of presentation. If a session has less than 4 papers, accepted papers will be allocated to regular sessions wherever possible, or will be completed with regular papers of similar topic.
  - If you intend to propose an organized session, please submit a proposal no later than Jan. 15, 2020.

**Call for Workshops & Tutorials**

- As with previous UR conferences, the organizers intend to arrange an extensive program of workshops and tutorials to be held prior to the conference. Proposals that address topics related to the conference theme are welcome.
- Workshops should focus on presenting results and promoting discussion about a well-defined active research area of interest for the robotics community. Tutorials should aim at presenting principles/tools of established fields of research for dissemination purposes to general audiences.
- Proposals must be submitted via kros@kros.org by January 15, 2020.

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