FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

Instructional Design for Advancing Learning in a Networked Society
EARLI SIG 7 (Learning and Instruction with Computers) and SIG 6 (Instructional Design)

September 11-13, 2012 – University of Bari, Italy

Networked technology is re-designing society and education in many ways. Most educators have access to some form of newer technology. However, the instructional opportunities and constraints of these technologies when integrating them in schools, universities, professional organizations or even informal contexts still have to be investigated. This meeting aims at sharing research and insights about how these opportunities can become more evident for instructional designers, educators, students, and policy makers. Some questions that arise are: How can instructional design be enhanced by newer technologies? How can networked technology enhance teaching and learning (rather than simply add technology)? Self-regulated learning, knowledge building, dialogical approach, adaptive learning, digital identity, are some, but not all, of the concepts that we wish to explore during the meeting to understand how to advance learning by introducing networked technology.

Next to this (broad) focus, SIG 6 & SIG 7 also invite researchers to submit papers or posters with a broader view on instructional design or computer-based learning.

Important Dates
• Deadline for proposals: March 1, 2012
• Notification of acceptance: May 15, 2012
• Conference dates: September 11 - 13

Keynotes
• Prof. dr. Jos Beishuizen (EARLI president and VU University Amsterdam): Self-regulated learning in technology enhanced learning environments
• Dr. Sanne Akkerman (Utrecht University): Technology as potential boundary object for dialogical learning across practices and perspectives
• Dr. Donatella Persico (Italian National Research Council): Designing for learning. What are the questions? Where should we look for answers?

Presentation formats (In English language)
As in 2010 (Ulm), we strive to give research students and early career researchers a platform to present their work. All submissions (except symposia) should contain:

• Title of the presentation
• Name(s), affiliation(s), address, and email address of the author(s)
• Presentation format
• Abstract of 150 words
A proposal of maximally 3 pages, including Tables, Figures and References.

1) Research students and early career presentations: Presenters opting for this format will receive feedback not only from the conference participants, but also from an appointed discussant (20 minutes presentation, 10 minutes individual discussion). Papers should either report new empirical data or consist of a major review of the literature leading towards new research directions. Submissions should summarize the aims, methods, findings and conclusions of the study.

2) Posters: This format provides presenters the opportunity for presenting and discussing their completed or ongoing research throughout a 1,5 hours session. Submissions should summarize the aims, methods, -and when available- findings and conclusions of the study.

3) Regular paper sessions: Regular paper presentations will be scheduled for 20 minutes (15 minutes presentation and 5 minutes discussion). Papers should either report new empirical data or consist of a major review of the literature leading towards new research directions. Submissions should summarize the aims, methods, findings and conclusions of the study.

4) Symposia: A limited number of 90-minute spots will be made available for symposia consisting of 3-4 closely related papers and a discussant. A maximal of 5 pages must be submitted, which summarises the aims, methods, findings, and conclusions of each paper, as well as an overall rationale for the symposium.

5) Software demonstration: During the conference it will be possible to show software, multimedia products, innovative platforms, and instructional tools supported by computers. Participants must submit a written overview and a description of the software system (up to 3 pages). Presenters should bring their own computer to run the presentations.

Submissions should be sent as attachments to the following email address:

sig2012@slo.nl

More information is available on the following website

http://earli-sig67.slo.nl/

We’re looking forward to receiving your submissions and meeting you in Bari!

The conference committee