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MME Faculty Brownbag Seminar (feel free to bring your lunch) !

Please join us for a seminar presentation and linked Horizon 2020 bid planning meeting on the subject of Inclusive Design and Creative Technology Innovation for Real Social Change !

Tuesday 6 December

1-2pm, Room 204 Engineering Building

Dr Karolina Zawieska
Social Robotics

Karolina joined the SMARTlab PhD Programme in 2011 and successfully passed her VIVA in July 2016. She will graduate at the UCD Conferring Ceremony on 8 December 2016.
Her social sciences background and curiosity for emerging technologies led her to social robotics. Her PhD research explored the illusion of life in machines, asking: |to what extent and why do people perceive robots as 'alive'?"

Karolina holds a BA in Sociology from the Sapienza University of Rome and an MA in Applied Social Sciences from the University of Warsaw. She spent several months at HITLabNZ/University of Canterbury as well as at MIRALab/ University of Geneva where she studied people's tendency to anthropomorphise machines using a human-like robot named Eva.
Karolina is currently employed at the Industrial Research Institute for Automation and Measurements – PIAP in Warsaw, Poland.

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Dr Brian Duffy

Social Robotic

Dr Brian Duffy, Adjunct Senior Researcher, SMARTlab, UCD School of Mechanical & Materials Engineering (also Visiting Professor at OCAD University, Canada: Adjunct Faculty, Faculty of Design)

Brian Duffy pursued his PhD and PostDoc Studies at UCD under the direction of Professor Greg O'Haire, Computer Science. He was the Founder/Director of the Anthropos Robotics Research Group for Media Lab Dublin, 2000-2005. Since 2005 he has collaborated with SMARTlab on many research projects globally, including design and build of a set of Haptic Chairs for kids with complex multiple disabilities at th Stephen Hawking School in London, KK Children's Hospital Singapore, and CRC Dublin. He works in the area of human-robot interaction, social robots, humanoid robotics, and associated intelligent systems-based control and sensor mechanisms. Over the years he has worked in many academic and industrial institutions, both in researching and developing such technologies and also in their application in real-world

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