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PROVE'09 Special Session

ICT & Ageing: Collaborative Networks for Active Ageing

Scope

The collaborative networks paradigm, supported by advanced community building and collaboration ICT platforms, can provide a new approach to active ageing. With the increase in both the percentage of senior citizens and expectation of life, it is timely to reassess the understanding of ageing and retirement, and questioning elderly's work, happiness, leisure, community involvement etc. and their inter-relationships with respect to old age. Many elderly citizens, following retirement, quickly become marginalized and considered as a cost burden rather than a resource that is capable of "value creation" in the society.

The critical challenge for the society in respect to the "active ageing / ageing well" process is to identify new organizational structures, approaches, and mechanisms so that elderly citizens do not feel excluded, and have the chance to use their knowledge and expertise in making valued contributions to the communities where they live. In addition to the traditional initiatives focused mostly on socialization and entertainment activities for elderly, a number of other organizational forms and mechanisms are emerging, focused on providing ways to help seniors in remaining professionally active, after retirement. ICT and particularly collaborative technologies can play an important facilitating role in this area.

The objective of the session is to contribute to defining a new research agenda in this area and to sharing knowledge and experiences on promising related new approaches.

Topics

- ✓ New organizational forms for involvement of senior professionals in socio-economic activities.
- ✓ Advanced ICT platforms for senior professionals.
- ✓ Affective computing and new behavioural models in active ageing.
- ✓ Future visions and representative scenarios for the area.
- ✓ Roadmaps for strategic research in active ageing.
- ✓ New services, new brokerage models, and new value systems for active ageing.
- ✓ New implementation mechanisms for needed actions.
- ✓ Related socio-economic and ethical issues.
- ✓ Emerging experiences and case studies.

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Submission procedure

- Abstracts submission: 28 Feb 09
- Full paper submission: 4 Apr 09
- Acceptance notice: 8 May 09
- Camera ready submission: 31 May 09

Submission on: www.pro-ve.org, with copy by email to at least one of the chairs of the session.

Acceptance of papers is based on the full paper (up to 8 pages). Each paper will be evaluated by three members of the International Program Committee. However, prospective authors should submit a short abstract in advance, in order to check if the proposed topic fits within the conference scope. Proposal for special sessions and workshops are welcome.

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