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**UNESCO IFAP WORKING GROUP FOR
INFORMATION ACCESSIBILITY**

AI4IA CONFERENCE

28 SEPTEMBER 2021



Welcome to the 2nd Artificial Intelligence for Information Accessibility (AI4IA) Conference, held on 28 September 2021, in commemoration of UNESCO's International Day for Universal Access to Information (IDUAI).

This year, our main program is a little different. Apart from our keynote speakers and an accessibility session which will be broadcast live, we have followed an 'on-demand' format, to allow for better global participation, wider reach, and greater inclusivity in the program. For more information on the pre-recorded presentations, please see the "Pre-recorded Conference Programme".

With over 65 speakers from all around the world committing to sharing their expertise and knowledge on AI related matters, we had to find a new way to both present all the incredible knowledge made available to us through the presentations, but also give participants an opportunity to engage with the speakers.

We therefore chose to schedule live Salon Discussions, held on our Gather.town platform on 28 September, available at:
<https://gather.town/app/N0VOvN7vvulMqf7C/AI4IA>

WHAT IS A SALON DISCUSSION?

Salon Discussions are designated times where speakers and audience members are invited to gather on the conference platform. Speakers and audience participants will be able "walk" the conference venue using an avatar. Once your avatar is in close proximity to another, you will automatically see their video and be able to chat with each other. Consider this virtual networking! When you are not chatting with others, feel free to walk the rest of the conference venue, including the Pavilions where you will find on-demand presentations.

For information on the keynote sessions, as well as the times that specific speakers will be available for live discussions, please see the program below, in the GMT (+0) timezone.

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SALON DISCUSSIONS



SALON B
09:00 TO 10:00 GMT (+0)



MELANIE STÜTZ

Democratizing the knowledge of successful venture capitalists (VCs) – From a “pre-flight check” for business ideas to entrepreneurial thinking



LOUISE PRYOR

Ethical data science



BEATE DEGEN

TBC



ANDREW SMITH

The Impact of AI on PR, Communications and Reputation Management



SAMRIDHI ARORA

Advocate, Supreme Court of India

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SALON DISCUSSIONS



SALON C

10:00 TO 11:00 GMT (+0)



EMMA RUTTKAMP-BLOEM

Actionable Meaningful AI Ethics Regulation



GALIT WELLNER

Can AI Algorithms be Creative?



YVES POULET

Do we need regulation of the digital platforms? – An EU approach



DAN SHEFET

AI and justice



SHEILA BELADINEJAD

Women in AI & Robotics



WENDELL WALLACH

Ethics Engineering and Oversight



LT. GEN. DR VELU NAIR

AI and Healthcare



THORISO MALOKA

Role of the media in creating access to information, leveraging off of emerging technologies

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KEYNOTE

PRESENTATIONS

28 SEPTEMBER 2021 - 14:00 GMT



ADV PANSY TLAKULA

Information Regulator of South Africa

Pansy Tlakula holds a B. Proc degree from the University of the North(now University of Limpopo), an LL.B degree from the University of the Witwatersrand and an LL.M degree from Harvard University. In 2006 she was awarded an Honourary Doctorate in Legal Studies by the Vaal University of Technology.

Pansy Tlakula has held high profile positions in the academia, public and private sector. These include Senior Law Lecturer at the then University of Bophuthatswana (now North West University), National Director of the Black Lawyers Association, one of the founding Commissioners of the South Africa Human Rights Commission, Chairperson of the Board of the National Credit Regulator, Chairperson of Council of the then University of the North West (now North West University) and the Chancellor of the Vaal University of Technology. She was also Independent Non Executive Director of the Bidvest Group Limited and the Chief Electoral Officer and later Chairperson of the Electoral Commission of South Africa (IEC).

Tlakula is the former Chairperson of the African Commission on Human and Peoples Rights (AU Organ) and its Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to Information. She is currently a Member of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

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SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH

President and CEO, National E Governance Division, MyGov and Digital India

Shri Abhishek Singh is an officer of the 1995 batch of IAS with diverse experience of administration, managing law and order, implementing development programs, and of policy formulation at Central Government with regard to use of Technology for improving Governance. He is presently posted as CEO MyGov with additional charge of President & CEO NeGD and MD&CEO, Digital India Corporation. MyGov is the Citizen engagement platform of Government of India and enables participative governance.

In his role at National e Governance Division, he coordinates projects relating to Digital India, specially Digilocker, UMANG, Geo-Informatics. He has also been leading the efforts on Communications on COVID19 and is actively involved with Aarogya Setu – the contact tracing App of Government of India. He has done Masters in Public Administration from Harvard Kennedy School of Government as a Mason fellow in May 2013. He is a B Tech and M.Tech in Mechanical Engineering from IIT Kanpur. He has worked in diverse Indian States of Nagaland and Uttar Pradesh. He has also worked in close coordination with international and multilateral agencies like World Bank, DFID, UNICEF and WHO.

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ACCESSIBILITY

DEMONSTRATION



28 SEPTEMBER 2021 - 15:00 GMT



COLTON BISHOP

Google demonstration

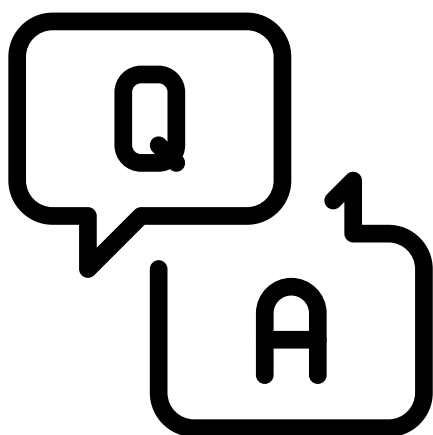
Google Camswitches Demonstration



MONICA DESAI

Facebook demonstration

Facebook Accessibility Demonstration



There will be a question and answer session in the main conference room in Gather.town between 14:30 and 15:00 GMT (+0), following the presentations by Google and Facebook.

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SALON DISCUSSIONS

SALON D 16:00 TO 17:00 GMT (+0)



SEYNABOU NDIAYE

AI, a tool to bridge equality gaps?



IBRAHIM KUSHCHU

Implications of Brain-Machine Interfaces (BMI) for "our right (not) to know"



NITHYA RAMANATHAN

Decolonizing Data



PROF VERENE SHEPHERD

AI and Racial Profiling



BRAD MOSTERT

AI in Small to Medium Business



ALEX FEFEGHA

TBC



ADRIANA LABARDINI

Cognitive Justice and AI



AMEEN JAUHAUR

Using AI to enhance legislative administrative efficiency in India



GARY MARCHANT

Soft Law Governance of AI and the Right to Know



CAROLINE TAUK

Can AI be an inventor



FELIPE CHIBÁS ORTIZ

AI, Policy and Ethics: Free related issues in post-human society

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SALON DISCUSSIONS

SALON E
17:00 TO 18:00 GMT (+0)



ISABELA FERRARI

The Honorable AI: risks and possibilities of algorithmic decision making in the Judiciary



DANIELLE DAVIS

TBC



KARA BRISSON-BOIVIN

Algorithmic Awareness: Conversations with Young Canadians about Algorithms and AI



NAZIMA RAGHUBIR

What AI means for the media in the region in the midst of some already challenging times



ERNESTO OROZCO

Media and the right to information (Regulator perspective)



JAMES SHERER

Ethics in Artificial Intelligence and a Practical Approach to Presentation and Defense



TYLER JAYNES

The Question of Algorithmic Personhood and Being: Measuring the Digital World to Secure Future Inalienable Rights



HERO LAIRD

Ethics, AI & the Law: A truth about stories



DR CLAIRE NELSON

XYNOGENY? How We Share Decision-Making



JOSHUA BURGESS

Openness and Inclusivity for Disabled Communities in A New Era

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SALON DISCUSSIONS

SALON F
18:00 TO 19:00 GMT (+0)



JAMES BRUSSEAU

AI Ethics Decentralised and Accelerated



SCOTT DAVID

Synthetic Human Intelligence In Human History



MARJORIE NGWENYA

Ethical AI and Consumer Protection.



DARICIA WILKINSON

Online safety in the Caribbean



MARIA PAZ HERMOSILLA

Algorithmic Transparency in the public sector



JAN VERMEULEN

The right to know is not absolute



CHUCK HOWELL

Enabling the Right to Know "Left of Algorithm"



FILIPE MEDON

Civil Liability and AI



COLIN CLARK

Decisions of our Own: Inclusive Design and Cooperative Ownership of Data and AI Systems



TRUDY BELL

AI - A Comedic Take

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