## Call for Proposals to host the Fourth International Conference on Affective Computing and Intelligent Interaction (ACII 2011)

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The HUMAINE association is pleased to call for proposals to host the Fourth International Conference on Affective Computing and Intelligent Interaction (ACII 2011). ACII is a central event for researchers exploring the role of emotion and other affective phenomena in human-computer and human-robot interaction, with relations to graphics, AI, robotics, vision, speech, synthetic characters, games, educational software, etc..

ACII is a biannual, conference that started in 2005. The former proceedings were published in Springer Lecture Notes (2005, 2007) and IEEE Xplore (2009). Extended versions of the best articles will appear in a special issue of IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing.

Details of previous editions can be found at:

http://www.affectivecomputing.org/2005/,

http://gaips.inesc-id.pt/acii2007/

http://www.acii2009.nl/

If you are interested in hosting this conference, please send your expression of interest as soon as possible to Jonathan Gratch, President of the HUMAINE Association <a href="mailto:gratch@ict.usc.edu">gratch@ict.usc.edu</a>, followed by a full proposal by 15 August, 2010

The proposal should include the following information (a slideshow format is welcome):

- (1) Who you are (the organizing team), your involvement in affect-related research and any previous experience you have in organizing conferences and other scientific meetings (e.g. workshops and symposia)
- (2) A description of the proposed venue, including meeting facilities, accommodation, travel access and social program
- (3) An outline budget (likely costs and expenditure), potential financial support
- (4) Important dates
- (5) Any co-located or otherwise connected conferences or workshops
- (6) Any specific plans for encouraging broad interdisciplinary participation in the event

The evaluation criteria will include:

- (1) Quality of proposal and track record of the proposers.
- (2) Cost. One of ACII priorities is to facilitate the participation of students and young researchers, so keeping the cost of attendance low, especially for these categories, is an important criterion.
- (3) Accessibility of the location (i.e. access to airports, etc).
- (4) Venue attractiveness (e.g. quality of facilities and support of "togetherness").

The organization of ACII2011 should follow the guidelines of the HUMAINE Association. See http://emotion-research.net/acii/guidelines

Please send the final proposal to: <a href="mailto:gratch@ict.usc.edu">gratch@ict.usc.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:conati@cs.ubc.ca">conati@cs.ubc.ca</a>, and <a href="mailto:R.Cowie@qub.ac.uk">R.Cowie@qub.ac.uk</a> \*\*\*by no later than August 15, 2010\*\*\*