

Media invited to attend in Stockholm, Sweden, IJCAI-ECAI 2018

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World leading Artificial Intelligence researchers discuss future of AI

More than 5.000 AI researchers and experts will come to Stockholm, Sweden, in July 2018, to discuss the future of AI. Prof. Yann LeCun, Chief AI Scientist, Facebook, and Prof. Max Tegmark, MIT, are among the speakers.

IJCAI-ECAI 2018, the 27th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence and the 23rd European Conference on Artificial Intelligence, will be one of the largest gatherings of all scientific Artificial Intelligence events held previously. Together with sister conferences more than 5.000 AI researchers, technologists and experts are expected to come to Stockholm for a period of 10 days in July 2018.

"With the current explosive interest in AI and its applications, it will be an exciting forum to present and hear about cutting-edge research in AI," says Jérôme Lang, Senior Scientist at Université Paris-Dauphine and the Program Chair of the conference.

The speakers at IJCAI-ECAI 2018 will present some of the most significant recent contributions and advances in Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Autonomous Agents and other topics related to AI. Many of the invited speakers will give an "easier to understand" presentation for a non-expert audience.

The global AI community has shown an unprecedented interest in IJCAI, with a record number of 4000 scientific submissions, of which 800 is accepted.

The conference will also give an opportunity to obtain more hands-on-knowledge with Artificial Intelligence products and services at the exhibition, demo day and the two Industry Days. Many global industry giants such as Adobe, Alibaba, Artificial Intelligence (Journal), Baidu, DiDi, IBM,

JD.com, Microsoft, Price Waterhouse Coopers, Tencent, Tieto and Xiaoi are sponsors and will present technology transforming society. Many AI startups are also sponsors for the conference.

The conference will take place on July 13-19, 2018 in Stockholm, Sweden.

List of speakers

The list of speakers consists of some of the most acknowledged researchers in Artificial Intelligence, including:

Yann LeCun, Facebook AI Research lab and New York University Max Tegmark, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Jean-Francois Bonnefon, Toulouse School of Economics Joyce Chai, Michigan State University Hector Geffner, Universitat Pompeu Fabra Nicole Immorlica, Microsoft Research New England Danica Kragic Jensfelt, Royal Institute of Technology, KTH Josh Tenenbaum, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

(Visit conference page for presentation of the keynote speakers, <u>http://www.ijcai-18.org/invited-talks/</u>).

Industry Days

The IJCAI 2018 Industry Days on July 18th and 19th is a unique networking event where entrepreneurs and scientists discuss the future of AI and its impact on industry and society. The Industry Days will also host two panel sessions, with international industry expert panels on AI in Healthcare and Autonomous Driving.

Among the industry speakers you will find: Hui Xiong, Head of Business Intelligence Lab, Baidu Inc. Christian Guttmann, Vice President and Chief AI Scientist, Tieto Zaiqing Nie, Researcher and Senior Director, Alibaba AI Labs Hui Wang, Senior scientist, Xiaio Jinfeng Yi, Director of Machine Learning Lab, JD AI Research Georgios Theocharous, Senior Research Scientist, Adobe Anand S. Rao, Global Artificial Intelligence Lead, PwC Yan Liu, Chief Scientist, DiDi AI Labs

IJCAI 2018 Awards

At the conference, there will be several award ceremonies. Awards from IJCAI, the International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, are among the highest recognitions any AI researcher may receive. The winners of The IJCAI Computer and Thought Award, the Research Excellence Award, and the John McCarthy Award will be presented at the conference.

The winner of the 2018 Award for Research Excellence is Professor Jitrenda Malik, University of California at Berkeley.

The winner of the 2018 IJCAI Computers and Thought Award is Assistant Professor Stefano Ermon, Stanford University.

The winner of the 2018 John McCarthy Award is Professor Milind Tambe, University of South California.

For further information on awards: <u>http://www.ijcai-18.org/awards/</u>.

Full Program Schedule

See full program at http://static.ijcai.org/2018-Program.html.

Media Briefings Monday, July 16 IJCAI-ECAI-18 Media Briefing 11:00 - 12:00 Stockholm Convention Center – Press Room

Thursday, July 19 IJCAI-ECAI-18 Media Briefing 11:30 - 12:30 Stockholm Convention Center – Press Room

To obtain a press pass to attend the IJCAI-ECAI 2018 conference in Stockholm, please write an email to <u>registration@ijcai.org</u> and provide your family name, first name and exact affiliation.

About IJCAI

IJCAI, International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence, is a non-profit corporation founded in California, in 1969. IJCAI conferences are held annually. IJCAI-ECAI-18 will be held in Stockholm, Sweden, IJCAI-19 in Macao, P.R. China, IJCAI-PRICAI-20 in Nagoya, Japan and IJCAI-21 in Montreal, Canada.

This July, the IJCAI conference will be held in conjunction with five other world-leading AI conferences, the International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), the International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems (AAMAS), the European Conference on Artificial Intelligence (ECAI) and the International Conference on Case-Based Reasoning (ICCBR).

For nearly a half-century, IJCAI has remained the premier conference bringing together the international AI community to communicate the advances and celebrate the achievements of Artificial Intelligence research and practice. It is a highly-referenced conference that will provide authors with useful constructive feedback. ECAI, which has been running every two years since 1982, has become the leading conference for this field in Europe. This is the first time that IJCAI and ECAI are joint.

Further information

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