Call for Contributions

1. Inform the Chair: with the Title of your Contribution

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3. Note: For 2021, all events will be held in a hybrid mode: on site or virtual choices (live, prerecorded videos, voiced presentation slides, and .pdf slides). We hope for better times allowing us to return to the traditional on site scientific events. However, we are ready to adapt any which way the conditions dictate.

Special track

**ETHI: Explainable Technologies in Health Informatics**

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Empirical studies are fundamental to understand and improve the software development. The use of sophisticated analysis and technology in healthcare is increasingly being adopted. For the successful introduction and widespread adoption of new technology and results of health informatics analyses into healthcare environments, establishing and maintaining clinician trust and understanding is paramount. This is particularly the case for models and analyses which support clinical decision making. Further, the European Union directive for General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and similar, country specific, regulations state the requirement for a right to explanation of all decisions made by automated or artificially intelligent algorithmic systems. However, explaining the decision-making and results of these approaches is often non-trivial.

We are interested in contributions which address the explainability of technology used in healthcare and health informatics techniques and their results, making them more transparent, interpretable, and ultimately understandable by clinicians and/or patients. This call is purposefully wide in scope, and we encourage contributions ranging from theoretical approaches and discussions to case studies describing real-world clinical implementations.

**Topics include but are not limited to:**

- Methods of explainability (e.g., machine learning, statistical approaches, case-based reasoning, semantic technologies, natural language processing and generation, visualisations)
- Explanations for fairness, accountability, and trust in health informatics
- Ethical perspectives of automated explanation generation in health informatics
- Automated explanations of decision support systems
- Real-world examples & case studies of explanations in healthcare
- Representation of domain knowledge for the generation of automated explanations in healthcare
- Evaluation of explainable AI (Artificial Intelligence) approaches
Contribution Types
- Regular papers [in the proceedings, digital library]
- Short papers (work in progress) [in the proceedings, digital library]
- Posters: two pages [in the proceedings, digital library]
- Posters: slide only [slide-deck posted on www.iaria.org]
- Presentations: slide only [slide-deck posted on www.iaria.org]
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Important Datelines
Inform the Chair or Coordinator: As soon as you decide to contribute
Submission: August 12, 2021
Notification: August 28, 2021
Registration: September 10, 2021
Camera ready: September 10, 2021
Note: The submission deadline is somewhat flexible, providing arrangements are made ahead of time with the chair.

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- See: http://www.iaria.org/format.html
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Registration
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