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***Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition***  
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## **Call for Doctoral Consortium Participants**

The Organizing Committee of the 10th IEEE International Conference on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition invites Ph.D. students to apply for the Doctoral Consortium. The aim of the Doctoral Consortium is to provide a forum for Ph.D. students to discuss their research and career objectives with other students and senior researchers working in the same area.

As part of the main conference program, there will be a Doctoral Consortium Poster session with a catered lunch. During the session, the accepted student participants will meet an invited committee of faculty and industry researchers in the relevant area. Each student participant needs to present his/her thesis work or a recent paper, which is part of the thesis work. The committee members will discuss the work with the student and provide constructive comments and guidance on his/her research in a feedback form.

Student participants accepted in the Doctoral Consortium are eligible for consideration for some level of financial support on their travel.

### **Eligibility**

We encourage submissions from Ph.D. students who are already working on their dissertations with some results already published or close to publish. Preference will be given to students who are far enough along to have formulated their dissertation topics.

It is not necessary to have a paper appearing in FG 2013 in order to apply to participate.

### **Application Requirements**

To apply for participation, please prepare the following materials:

- A research statement to summarize the research topic, the working plan, and the progress to date. (Max 2 pages)
- A CV. (Max 1 pages)
- Title and abstract of paper accepted by FG 2013 or the workshops in conjunction with FG 2013, if applicable. This is not a mandatory material for application.
- Applicants who did not submit a paper to FG 2013 or the workshops in conjunction with FG 2013 should submit an extended abstract (Max 4 pages) following the FG 2013 paper format. It should describe original work that is part

of the doctoral work of the student applicant. We encourage the submission of work that is still in progress.

- A supporting letter from the thesis advisor endorses the student's application to this Doctoral Consortium and briefly describes the progress or status of the student's thesis work. It is desirable that the thesis advisor joins in the Doctoral Consortium.

Please combine all the application materials into **a single pdf file** and sent it by email to Yan Tong ([tongy@cec.sc.edu](mailto:tongy@cec.sc.edu)), Xiaoming Liu ([liuxm@cse.msu.edu](mailto:liuxm@cse.msu.edu)), and Louis-Philippe Morency ([morency@ict.usc.edu](mailto:morency@ict.usc.edu)).

### **Review Process and Financial Support**

Selection will be based on the expected benefit to the student, taking into account the quality of the submission. Students with a first-authored paper accepted by the conference have higher priority to be selected. Successful applicants are expected to actively participate in the whole program.

Note that only students who apply and are invited for participation in the Doctoral Consortium can be considered for financial support for travel, lodging and registration expenses up to a limit of \$1,500 for each participant. However, the number and size of actual offers of financial support are contingent upon available funds.

The Consortium Co-Chairs reserve the right to consider late applications provided they are given less weight than those submitted on time.

### **Important Dates**

- Application deadline: January 25, 2013 (deadline extended)
- Notification date: February 15, 2013

### **Doctoral Consortium Co-Chairs**

- Yan Tong, University of South Carolina, [tongy@cec.sc.edu](mailto:tongy@cec.sc.edu)
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