

HCI, the Web and the Older Population

A full-day workshop at

[British HCI 2006](#)

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This workshop on HCI and the older population will provide a forum for the presentation of current work and a platform for discussing key challenges in this area. It aims to build up and support the research community in this area, encouraging communication with older people and addressing key issues together. HCI issues for older people are extremely important in light of the rapidly ageing population in developed countries and the potential offered by computerised technology, a potential that can only be fulfilled if the technology can be used effectively by its target user group. The workshop continues a successful series held at HCI in recent years and this year focuses on the creation and use of websites, a particularly important and timely topic as the use of the internet becomes increasingly integrated with daily life.

Participation

Participants are asked to submit a 2 page position paper on their work in the area of HCI and the older population. This will enable attendees to gain a picture of each other's interests before the meeting and will also provide a record of the workshop for other interested parties. Interested participants who have not submitted a position paper may be considered in special instances but not in the general case.

- Abstract deadline: 9 June
- Notification: 16 June
- Position paper deadline: 21 July

Please email or post submissions to Anna Dickinson at: Anna Dickinson, Applied Computing, University of Dundee, DD1 4HN. E-mail: adickinson@computing.dundee.ac.uk

The submitted papers will be published in dedicated proceedings in electronic and printed form. Following on from the example of the previous workshops in this series, we also plan to publish a journal special issue in Spring/Summer 2007 with [Universal Access in the Information Society \(UAIS\)](#), with submissions solicited from workshop attendees.

Registration

Registration for the workshop is carried out through the [HCI 2006 conference](#). It is not necessary to register for or attend the main conference in order to attend the workshop, although you may find some parts of this conference interesting. Workshop registration costs £80, independent of whether you attend the main conference.

Previous Workshops

This workshop builds on previous workshops at HCI 2002, 2004 and 2005:

- [A New Research Agenda for Older Adults, HCI 2002](#). Papers were solicited from attendees for inclusion in a special issue of [Universal Access in the Information Society \(UAIS\)](#) 3(2), 2004. If you have access to SpringerLink, you can access [this issue online](#).
- [HCI and the Older Population, HCI 2004](#). Papers solicited from attendees and other researchers in the area were published in: Goodman, J. and Lundell, J. (eds.) (2005) HCI and the Older Population. Special issue of [Interacting with Computers](#) 17(6), Dec 2005.
- [HCI and the Older Population, HCI 2005](#). Papers solicited from attendees will be published in a special issue of [Gerontechnology](#), due out 2006.

More Information

More information about the topic and format of the workshop can be found in the [workshop proposal \(pdf format\)](#) and [the draft programme \(pdf format\)](#). The details of this programme are likely to change before the event but it does describe the planned activities.

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Queries

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