



**Last Call for Papers**  
**The 12<sup>th</sup> IFIP TC9 Human Choice and Computers Conference – HCC12**  
**September 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> 2016, MediaCityUK, Salford, Greater Manchester, UK**

*Technology and Intimacy: choice or coercion?*

From distant mainframes to personal computers to handhelds to wearable tech and implanted devices, contemporary technology seems on an unstoppable trajectory to get nearer and nearer to us, our bodies, and the most intimate details of our lives. This conference series has marked every stage of this journey from 1974 until today. Manchester, home of the computer and now *European City of Science* in 2016, welcomes HCC12 with the aim of scrutinising the journey from impersonal monolithic technology towards the intimate intertwining of devices and the self. What is the history and impact of this journey and where are we going next?

Intimate technologies are now manifest in so many ways in the workplace, domestic environments, in transport, in defence, and through entertainment opportunities, with both similar and distinct impacts in the developed and in the developing world. The conference seeks to bring together an inclusive and representative sample of these many constantly evolving intimate relationships that have existed previously and continue to exist between humans and technology. Cross-disciplinary papers concerning ethics, health and wellbeing, or the security and privacy issues associated with any or all of the topics below are very welcome.

The conference welcomes inputs from members of academia and research, civic society, computing associations, industry, and the IT professions on the following themes:

- Intimacy – Location – Personal/Social – Wearables – Implantables – Data Manipulation
- Personalisation – Identity – Digital Footprint – Gender
- Marketing – User Experience - Human Computer Interaction & Design – Search and Social Media
- Customisation – Material Culture – Innovation – Kit – Microchipping
- Generations – Histories – Enabling Technologies
- Geographies – Urban Technologies – Wayfaring
- ICT for Development – Global Mobility – Developing Economies – Sustainability.

**Paper Submission**

The conference is open to attendees at all stages of career and education, whether you are at the start, middle or peak of your career, either as academics or practitioners. Submitted papers should be approximately 3,000-5,000 words in length. Please submit your Abstract and papers, through <http://www.hcc12.net>, using Springer's OCS system.

## Conference Venue

The conference venue is MediaCityUK in Salford Quays, in the heart of Greater Manchester, hosted by Salford Business School's Centre for Digital Business.

## Virtual Presenters

Delegates are also invited to submit papers to our special 'Virtual Presenter' track, to include presentations of accepted papers via videolink in the Digital Performance Lab at MediaCityUK. Virtual presenters will not only benefit from having no travel and accommodation costs, but will be charged a special Virtual Presenter Conference Fee.

## Publication



**Springer**

Springer will be publishing the proceedings of the conference in the IFIP Advances in Information and Communication Technology series ([IFIP AICT](#))

## Initial Programme Committee

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## Important Dates

January 8th 2016	- Submissions due
March 18th 2016	- Notification of acceptance/rejection
April 15 <sup>th</sup> 2016	- Submission of camera ready papers
July 1st 2016	- Deadline for early bird registration
Sept 7 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> 2016	- Conference dates.