



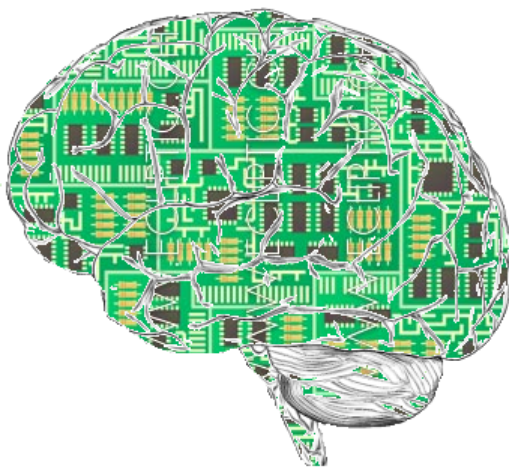
The Human Mind Project

Computers and Minds

Being Human Festival of the Humanities

November 21st, 2014

University of Edinburgh



***The Human Mind Project* highlights the contribution of the arts and humanities to the study of human nature, and the importance of a comprehensive, interdisciplinary approach to understanding the mind, integrating science and the humanities.**

As part of the *Festival of the Humanities*, the third public event of *The Human Mind Project* brings together leading academics to discuss the current state of the art of research at the interface of philosophy, computational neuroscience, robotics and artificial intelligence. “Computers and Minds” is a one-day event featuring a specialist workshop with presentations by leading academics on computational theories of mind, the cognitive neuroscience of self-consciousness and body awareness, and the implications of the latest advances in artificial intelligence for understanding the human mind. The workshop will be followed in the early evening by a public event, with presentation and demonstration on robotics by Sethu Vijayakumar and a lecture by Andy Clark entitled “Being and Computing: Are You Your Brain, and Is Your Brain a Computer?”.

Scientific Organization

Mattia Gallotti (University of London) and Sanjay Modgil (King's College London)

PROGRAMME

The Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities (IASH)
Edinburgh University
November 21st, 2014, 9.30 – 16.00

- 9.30 *Registration and Coffee*
- 9.45 **Colin Blakemore**
Professor of Neuroscience and Philosophy, University of London
Welcome Address

Morning Session

Chair: Sanjay Modgil

King's College London

- 10.00 **Murray Shanahan**
Professor of Cognitive Robotics, Imperial College London
TBA
- 10.45 *Discussion*
- 11.00 *Coffee Break*
- 11.30 **Frances Egan**
Professor of Philosophy, Rutgers University
TBA
- 12.15 *Discussion*
- 12.30 *Lunch Break*

Afternoon Session

Chair: Mattia Gallotti

University of London

- 13.30 **Aaron Sloman**

Honorary Professor, University of Birmingham

TBA

14.15 *Discussion*

14.30 *Coffee Break*

15.00 **Anil Seth**

Professor of Cognitive and Computational Neuroscience, University
of Sussex

TBA

15.45 *Discussion*

16.00 *General Discussion*

16.15 *End of Academic Workshop*

**David Hume Tower
Faculty Room North
University of Edinburgh**

Chair: Colin Blakemore

University of London

17.00 **Sethu Vijayakumar**

Professor of Robotics, University of Edinburgh

Robots that Learn: The Future of Man or the 'Man of the Future'?

18.00 *Discussion*

18.15 **Andy Clark**

Professor of Philosophy, University of Edinburgh

*Being and Computing: Are You Your Brain, and Is Your Brain a
Computer?*

19.00 *Discussion*

19.30 *Reception*

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Event Announcement

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The Human Mind Project

University of Edinburgh, Friday 21 November, 2014

Speakers

Andy Clark (Edinburgh)

Frances Egan (Rutgers)

Anil Seth (Sussex)

Murray Shanahan (Imperial College London)

Aaron Sloman (Birmingham)

Sethu Vijayakumar (Edinburgh)

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Registration and Scientific Organization

Attendance is free of charge, but space is limited. Please visit the event webpage on the School of Advanced Study's website and register on Eventbrite:

<http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/computers-and-minds-tickets-12665600151>

This conference is sponsored by *The Human Mind Project* and organized by Mattia Gallotti (University of London) and Sanjay Modgil (King's College London). For further information, contact info@humanmind.ac.uk