

# Summer School in Speech Synthesis

24-28 July 2017, Heraklion Crete Greece

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Organized by Computer Science Dept., University of Crete, Greece

## Topic: Towards Intelligible and Conversational Speech Synthesis Engines

- Modern Acoustic Modelling Approaches (DNN/LSTM, WaveNet)
- Text Normalization and Linguistic Analysis
- Prosody
- Advanced Vcoders and Modifications (Voice Conversion)
- Intelligibility and Cognitive Effort in Speech Synthesis

## Confirmed lecturers (so far):

- ✓ Richard Sproat, Google NY, USA
- ✓ Spyros Raptis, ILSP Athena Research Centre, Athens, Greece
- ✓ Alex Sorin, IBM Haifa, Israel
- ✓ Yannis Stylianou, University of Crete, Greece
- ✓ Vassilis Tsiaras, University of Crete, Greece
- ✓ Simon King, University of Edinburgh, UK
- ✓ Raul Fernandez, IBM Watson, USA

## Registration

Students: €350, Non-students: €500, to cover lunches, coffee breaks, banquet, school materials, bus transfer between city and campus. Limited number of places for highly motivated researchers and students, so reserve your position soon ([yannis@csd.uoc.gr](mailto:yannis@csd.uoc.gr)).

## Beyond lectures

Participants, if they wish, are expected to present their work as a poster, during 1 hour in each day (at the mid of each school day). The best student poster/demo will be awarded. Theory will be followed by hands on sessions while speech synthesis systems will be demonstrated by the lecturers during the last day of the school.

## Information

- Prof. Yannis Stylianou, University of Crete: [yannis@csd.uoc.gr](mailto:yannis@csd.uoc.gr)
- <http://www.csd.uoc.gr/~spcc/> (page will be updated soon for the 2017 school)

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