**ICT2009: Enhancing Healthcare Education, Research & Practice Symposium**

**Call for Papers and Presentations**

**About the Symposium**

The Open University of Hong Kong (OUHK) and the Hong Kong Web Symposium Consortium are pleased to invite you to participate in the 2009 Enhancing Healthcare Education, Research & Practice Symposium as part of the 2009 International Conference on ICT in Teaching and Learning to be held in Hong Kong, 6-8 July 2009. The continuing innovation and development in medicine, life sciences and technology are constantly creating new and improved opportunities to prevent, diagnose, treat and monitor diseases and promote health. We encourage attendance and presentations from Biomedical, Bioinformatics, Healthcare, Education and Engineering professionals interested in the application of technology in enhancing healthcare education, research and practice. The symposium seeks to offer a cross-section of experience and views from health care professionals, administrators, researchers and practitioners.

**Theme**

The symposium will include paper presentations, workshops and demonstrations. Paper /Power-point presentations are welcome on topics relevant to the Conference theme of *Enhancing Healthcare Education, Research & Practice Through Technology*. The Symposium is dedicated to design, development, management, implementation, technology, and application issues in e-Healthcare. The symposium aims to help professionals working in the field, academic educators and policymakers to contribute, to disseminate knowledge, and to learn from each other’s work through cutting edge thinking in Healthcare. The program committee welcomes basic and applied papers dealing with subjects within the wide spectrum of information technology applications in health, healthcare and biomedicine. The following areas are particularly suitable (but are not limited to):

- Bioinformatics
- Innovative healthcare teaching
- Web 2.0 healthcare applications
- Data Mining in Healthcare/Bioinformatics
- Digital Hospitals
- e-Doctor, e-Pharmacy & e-Prescription
- e-Healthcare and Social Exclusion
- e-Payments & e-Healthcare
- GIS in Healthcare Systems
- Health Informatics
- Information Quality and e-Healthcare
- Mobile Healthcare
- Nursing Informatics
- Quality in Biometric Technologies
- KM in e-Healthcare
- Remote Patient Monitoring
- Telemedicine
- Signal Processing in Mobile Healthcare
- Tele-surgery
- Web/Wireless Services for Healthcare
- IT Applications in Medical Tourism

**Program Chairs**

Ir Prof. Paul Kwok (PhD, University of Cambridge), FIEE, FHKIE, OUHK; Dr. Tsang MW, Consultant, United Christian Hospital and Chinese University of Hong Kong; Dr. Nicko Saranummi, Director, VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland; Dr. Edward Leung, Hong Kong Association of Gerontology; Prof. Isao Nakajima (Tokai University, Japan); Dr. Ian Yip, MD, School of Medicine, University of California, Los Angeles; Dr. Alfred Tang, Hong Kong Doctors’ Union

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**Conference Publications**

All accepted papers will be included in the double blinded refereed ICT2009 conference proceedings. Selected papers will be published as book chapters in the ICT2009 monograph. Authors of the best papers will be invited to submit extended versions for publication in the following sponsoring journals:

1. IEEE Transactions on Info Tech in Biomedicine
2. Int’l Journal of e-Health
3. Int’l Journal of Innovation in Learning
4. Int’l Journal of Mobile Communications
5. Interactive Technology and Smart Education

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**Submission Deadline**

28 June 2009

Abstracts should not exceed one A4 page in length. Both the title and the name(s) of the author(s) should be included. Please email your abstract to Ir Prof. Philip Tsang, editor@hkwebysm.org.hk

**Registration**

US$450* (Inclusive of lunches)

Note: The registration fee also covers attendance of the main ICT conference sessions.

**Venue**

Day 1 (6 July 2009): The Open University of Hong Kong
Day 2 (7 July 2009): St Paul’s Convent School
Day 3 (8 July 2009): Peninsula Hotel, Hong Kong

**Organising Chair:**

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**Conference on ICT in Teaching and Learning**

As part of the 2009 International Conference on ICT in Teaching and Learning