





# **Summer School in Speech Synthesis**

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## **Topic:** Towards Flexible and Intelligible End-to-End **Speech Synthesis Systems**

- **Modern Acoustic Modelling Approaches (WaveNet, Tacotron)**
- Contemporary Unit Selection: The art of creating thousands of voices in real products
- Advanced Voice Conversion using Deep Learning (Wavenet, GAN)
- Intelligibility and Cognitive Effort in Speech Synthesis

#### Lecturers:

- ✓ Yannis Agiomyrgiannakis, Google, UK
- ✓ Spyros Raptis, Innoetics/ILSP Athena, Greece
- ✓ Yannis Stylianou, University of Crete, Greece
- ✓ Tomoki Toda, Nagoya University, Japan
- ✓ Vassilis Tsiaras, University of Crete, Greece

#### Registration:

Students: €350, Non-students: €600, 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).

#### **Beyond lectures:**

Participants, if they wish, are expected to present their work as a poster or demo, during a 2-hour interval in the last day of the school. The best student poster/demo will be awarded.

This year we will enhance and strongly support the hands-on sessions to provide to the participants a good balance between theory and practice. Morning sessions will include lectures on theory while all afternoon sessions will be solely dedicated to the hands-on sessions.

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