



VERITAS 2nd Pan-European User Forum

'Defining simulation task models for everyday solutions, designed for all'

Tuesday 20th September 2011, Nottingham, UK

VERITAS, the European project aiming to improve the design of smart and accessible living spaces through virtual user and task models, foresees the organization of User Fora which aim to bring together on the one hand the developers and designers, and on the other hand the beneficiaries of the developed products and services, namely people with disabilities and older people.

The 2nd VERITAS User Forum will take place in Nottingham on 20th September 2011, ahead of the Joint Virtual Reality Conference (JVRC 2011¹). This event will build on the outcomes of the 1st VERITAS User Forum which took place in Prague in November 2010 and refined the VERITAS use cases.

This workshop is intended to attract:

- End-users (people with disabilities, older people);
- Designers from the automotive, home and working environment, ehealth, and infotainment area;
- Representatives from end-user organizations;
- Policy makers.

During this highly participative workshop you will be introduced to the VERITAS project, followed by a first demonstration of how accessible design can be simulated in the automotive, working and home environment. You will as such co-influence the project development and, through your input, expertise and feedback as users and designers of accessible solutions, ensure that the developed applications respond to real user needs

The 2nd User forum will take place on Tuesday 20th September from 13h00 till 17h00, hosted at Crown Plaza in Nottingham . The preliminary agenda is as follows:

Time	Topic	Speaker
12.00 – 13.00	Sandwich lunch	
13.00 – 13.10	Welcome and roundtable of participants	AGE Platform Europe
13.10 – 13.40	The VERITAS project at a glance	Fraunhofer IAO

¹ <http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/jvrc2011/index.aspx>

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13.40 – 14.00	Outcomes of the 1st User Forum	AGE Platform Europe
14.00 – 14.30	Introducing the VERITAS task models - Demonstration users/task models simulation environment	MCA / CERTH-ITI
14.30 – 15.00	Coffee Break	
15.00 – 16.00	Discussion in groups per application area on the task models	Moderated per application area (automotive, work and home environment, ehealth and infotainment) – MCA/CERTH-HIT
16.00 – 16.45	Presentations in plenary on outcome of group discussions	Coordinated by partners per application area - AGE Platform Europe
16.45 – 17.00	Wrap-up and goodbye	AGE Platform Europe

You are kindly invited to take part in this event. While access is free, places are limited. We therefore kindly ask you to register, using the online form on the VERITAS website, following this link: <http://veritas-project.eu/2011/07/veritas-2nd-pan-european-user-forum/>.

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