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CSCW 2022 Chairs' Welcome

We are excited to bring you the 25th ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing – CSCW 2022 – virtually. We were initially poised to hold CSCW 2022 in Taiwan to help strengthen the CSCW community's relationship with Asia, but the uncertainty around COVID-19 pandemic restrictions made this an impractical idea. Yet, as designers, we view challenges as learning opportunities and know learning opportunities lead to new ideas and approaches. From the online and virtual conferences experiences of the past few years, we considered questions like: what makes conferences interesting, what makes conferences worth attending, how can we make this experience available to more people, and how can we achieve these goals with the abundance of online (CSCW!) technologies now available to us? This conference's design is based on learnings from the past two CSCW conferences and the broader SIGCHI community. We are excited to see how our collective experiences with CSCW 2022 will continue to give rise to new possibilities for how future conferences are delivered.

The program is exciting, covering a richly diverse range of topics from current issues to theoretical issues, and revisiting issues that are at the core of CSCW. We have 364 paper presentations, reflecting submissions from Jan 2021 - Jan 2022 to the CSCW issues of PACM-HCI and ToCHI. Three panels will cover pertinent topics on consent, future of work, and challenges and opportunities for threading academic research, industry practice, and entrepreneurship. We are also excited to bring two virtual posters and demos sessions, with 38 posters and 6 demos. During the weekend, 6 workshops will meet, and a new cohort of 12 doctoral students will be mentored in our Doctoral Consortium. For the first time this year, we offer the Emerging Scholars program, where more senior, established scholars provide guidance and advice to emerging scholars in a semi-structured ask-me-anything (AMA) format. This year, our papers presentations will run via CSCW TV, a livestream of pre-recorded presentation videos for each paper in sequence; attendees can view these together in joint virtual spaces.

We also strongly encourage you to attend our plenary sessions:

- On Tuesday, November 8, our opening keynote Balaji Parthasarathy, International Institute of Information Technology Bangalore (IIITB), will lead an important and timely discussion on digital platforms, digital divide, and global gig work.
- On Tuesday, November 15, our two panels on Consent and Future of Work.
- On Tuesday, November 21, a panel on academy, industry, and entrepreneurship, and our closing Lasting Impact Award Plenary session honoring Bob Kraut, Carmen Egido, and Jolene Galegher's seminal work on remote scientific collaboration.

CSCW 2022 would not be possible if not for the effort of our extraordinary group of volunteers: our organizing committee, program committees, student volunteers, conference planners, PACM-HCI editors, SIGCHI volunteers, ACM's staff, reviewers, and everybody else who played a role in making this event possible. We also thank SIGCHI for its sponsorship and our generous supporters: Meta, Google, Adobe, The Underwood Institute, CyberLink and Perfect.

We hope that you enjoy CSCW 2022 and engage in rich discussions with new and familiar colleagues from around the world.

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