

**Robotica 2012: 12th International Conference on
Autonomous Robot Systems and Competitions**
April 11, 2012, Guimarães, Portugal

The 12th International Conference on Autonomous Robot Systems and Competitions (www.robotica2012.org/EC) is an international scientific meeting in the field of autonomous robotics and related areas, which will take place in conjunction with the 12th Portuguese Robotics Open, a RoboCup Local Event.

As in previous years, we expect the conference to get the Technical co-sponsorship of the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society.

The conference will be held in the beautiful city of Guimarães, Portugal, on April 11, 2012. Guimarães is the cradle of Portugal and it was classified by Unesco as Worldwide Heritage. In 2012 it will be [European Capital of Culture](#) .

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KeyNote Speaker

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Dr.ir. Raymond H. Cuijpers
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Topics

- Artificial Intelligence;
- Architectures for Mobile Robots;
- Sensors and Sensor Integration;
- Motion and Actuation Systems;
- Multi-Robot Systems;
- Human-Robot Interaction;
- Simulation and Visualization;
- Robotic Competitions;
- Planning, Reasoning and Modeling;
- Cooperative Navigation and Control;
- Cooperative Perception;
- Computer Vision and Image-Processing;
- Navigation and Control of Mobile Robots;
- Recognition, Localization, Tracking, SLAM;
- Robot Learning;
- Applications of Autonomous Intelligent Robots;
- Computer and Robotic Entertainments.

Important Dates

All dead-lines are 23:59 GMT

- 30th January, 2012 Submission of full-length papers
- 2nd March, 2012 Notification of acceptance
- 11th March, 2012 Camera Ready Papers
- 18th March, 2012 Early Registration Deadline
- 11th April, 2012 Conference takes place

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- 100 € if payment before 20th March 2012,
- 150 € if after.

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