



1st Peach Summer School 2007

"Presence: towards human machine confluence"

Presence Technologies & Foundations

Congratulations! You have been accepted to the 1st Peach Summer School



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1. Welcome to the 1st Peach Summer School!

You have been admitted!

All the admitted participants need to:

1. Confirm attendance to the summer school before **May 10th** by sending a confirmation email to zampoka@iti.gr.
2. Participants who received Peach financial support please read section 3 "Financial support". We also encourage those who did not receive financial support to read this section for further Santorini costs details.
3. Prepare a poster for the summer school where they present their Presence-related work to all the participants. The poster needs to be 70 x 110 cm (width x height). Please send a poster title and abstract to zampoka@iti.gr before **May 18th**.
4. Book your flight tickets and hotels. Please note that the local organizers have arranged special hotel rates for all the summer school participants. If you want to benefit of those rates, use the on line service created by the local organizers to facilitate hotel booking. This service requires that you book your hotel before **May 15th**. After May 15th the special hotel rates will not be ensured. The service may be found at <http://school.peachbit.org> under **participation**.

Below you will find further summer school information. We strongly encourage you to read it in detail to avoid repeated questions and future confusions.

2. What will be offered to all the participants?

Welcome reception, gala dinner and lunch shall be offered by PEACH to all participants at no cost.

Breakfast is included in most of the hotel prices.

In addition, educational material for the lectures will be provided to the participants without additional costs.

3. Financial support

Information interesting for all participants

Peach has a certain amount of money put aside to support the Peach community participation in Peach events. We refer to this money as "Peach basket". It is for this reason that partial financial support is available to a limited number of individuals to help defray the expense of travel and lodging for the summer school.

Financial support has been allocated to participants on first come, first served basis, taking into account proactive participation in the Peach coordination Action activities. First round financial support has already been allocated (30th April), and those who have received it have been informed in the acceptance email.

If no mention to the financial support is included in your acceptance email this automatically implies that you did not receive financial support to attend the summer school in the first round. Unfortunately, Peach has not sufficient amount to support all the participants, and we hope you are luckier next time. However, we look forward to your participation in the summer school and we are sure that the experience will more than justify the travel costs.

Depending on the actual cost of flight tickets for the participants with first round financial support, a second round of financial support may be provided to those who did not receive it in the first round. The second round will be announced on 18th May. However, we strongly encourage those who did not receive the financial support to purchase their flight tickets as soon as possible.

Information for participants who received financial support

The total financial support offered by the Peach basket to each of the participants who receive financial support is **710€ per person**. This corresponds to a total of **500€** (max) for travelling and a total of **70€** (max) per night for each of the three nights (3rd, 4th, 5th of July) Additional hotel nights, and mini-bar consumables are at participants' expense.

Participants who do not confirm before the specified deadline (May 10th) their **full** attendance (all day 4th, all day 5th and 6th until 16:30) will lose their financial support, and it will be re-allocated to other people on the waiting list. Full summer school attendance was a requisite to apply to the financial support in the application form.

Those of you with financial support must initially cover your flight expenses, and will be reimbursed after completion of the school¹. You will find a form at the end of this document which needs to be filled in and sent with the original receipts. Copies of receipts will not be accepted. Electronic flight tickets are valid.

Participants who receive financial must book their hotel **with the on line booking service offered by the local organizers** (<http://school.peachbit.org> - Participate). You will first need to provide your credit card information, but the Peach team will directly pay the hotel for you. Therefore, we will take care of all the payments and inform each of you of all the procedures.

4. The Summer School Program

The summer school program will be distributed soon by the organization committee by email.

1 There is a limited amount for travel expenses per attendee = to 500€. Flights and travel tickets exceeding this amount will be only partially covered.

5. Organisers & Sponsors

The Summer School is organized by the Peach team, with the local support of the Informatics & Telematics Institute.



Short	Full	Links
Starlab	Starlab Barcelona S.L	www.starlab.es
NU	Napier University	www.napier.ac.uk
ITI/CERTH	Informatics and Telematics Institute, Centre for Research and Technology	www.iti.gr
ITIA	Instituto di Tecnologie Industriali Automazione, National Research Council of Italy	www.itia.cnr.it
FIT	Fraunhofer Institute for Applied Information Technology FIT	www.fit.fraunhofer.de
TI	Telecom Italia	www.telecomitalia.com
OII	University of Oxford, Oxford Internet Institute	www.oii.ox.ac.uk
FER	University of Zagreb, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing	www.fer.hr
TUM	Institute of Automatic Control Engineering (LSR) Technische Universitaet Muenchen	www.lsr.ei.tum.de

6. Local Arrangements

Beautiful Santorini is the most southern island of the Cyclades group in the Aegean Sea, and is located 63 nautical miles north of Crete.

Its surface area is 73 sq. km. and its population, distributed among thirteen villages, just exceeds 13,600 people.

Getting to Santorini (JTR) from Athens (ATH) by air

Santorini can be reached by air via Athens and Thessaloniki. The flying time from Athens to Santorini is approximately 40 minutes and cost 190 to 250 euros. The airport is about 10 km from the central town of Fira where the Nomikos Conference Center is located, and transportation to Fira is normally by taxi or hotel shuttle service. Airlines servicing Santorini (JTR) from Athens include the Greek flagship carrier Olympic Airways and the newer independent carrier Aegean Airlines, which has a more complete schedule.



Nearly all international scheduled flights arriving in Athens allow adequate time for making the connecting flight to Santorini. Numerous charter flights from different European Cities fly

directly to the island during the summer period. During the same period Santorini is also connected with flights to and from Thessaloniki.

Getting to Santorini from Athens by sea

Another way to reach the island is by a regular ferry boat service from the port of Piraeus, Thessaloniki or Crete and almost all the Cycladic islands. The boat trip takes approximately 7-9 hours, depending on the ferry and the ports of call.

A daily high speed boat is available only during the summer period leaving from the port of Piraeus and from numerous other Cycladic islands and Crete.

Boats to Santorini leave from the Athenian port of Piraeus (TZE) located about an hour's drive away from the airport. There is public transportation from the airport and other parts of Athens to Piraeus. The train station in Piraeus is directly across the street from the port itself. Boat tickets can be arranged beforehand, or purchased as late as the day of travel, but often the less expensive classes of travel fill up early. If you are flying in to Athens and want to take a ferry the same day, we strongly recommend arranging the sea tickets beforehand.

There are two broad classes of boats which service the Aegean islands: traditional ferries, and high-speed ferries. The traditional boats are slower, have open decks, often make more stops, and are relatively inexpensive. The high-speed ferries are faster, enclosed, and are more costly. Be sure to check the transit time in addition to the departure time for any boat you are considering, as some boats make many stops on the way to Santorini. There is only one seaport in Santorini (ATI). Slower boats can take 10 hours, and high-speed boats as little as 4 hours, depending on schedule and number of stops. Be sure to check the route and schedule when booking. As of summer 2006, passage on a high-speed boat from Piraeus to Santorini was approximately EUR 50. Some useful links if you are planning to travel by boat are: www.gtp.gr, www.bluestarferries.com, and www.hellenicseaways.gr where boat schedules are available.

The conference will take place on the Greek island of Santorini from Wednesday through Friday, July 04-06, 2007. The formal portion of the conference will take place at the [Nomikos Conference Center](#) in the town of Fira.

Many hotels are available in and around Fira and Firostefani, from inexpensive C class to luxury caldera-view cave suites. The conference center is located 15 minutes by foot from the center of Fira, and a similar distance from much of Firostefani. We hope that conference participants, like the organizing committee, will stay in hotels that are at a walking distance from the Center. A list of recommended hotels is available. We suggest booking your hotel room as early as possible.

In addition to the information below, there are many travel guides and web sites on Santorini, such as www.santorini-island.biz.

Travel expenses Form

To be returned before July 20th, 2007 to the following address

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Name				
Organisation				
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Travel Expenses	Flight		Other Travel Expenses (taxi, bus, metro)	
	Cost:	Currency:	Cost:	Currency:
Bank details	Bank Name:			
	Branch Address:			
	Town / City:		Post Code:	
	Sort Code:		Account Number:	
	IBAN:			
	SWIFT CODE:			

Please note that this form will be only valid if all the fields are filled in, and if you attach to it all the original, or electronic, flight tickets.