



Assistive Augmentation Technologies

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Message from the Guest Editors

Assistive Augmentation is an emerging research thrust that sits at the intersection of accessibility, assistive technologies and human augmentation. The central theme is that of putting sensorial capability on a continuum of usability for certain technology—not in individual silos per targeted audience of an assistive technology. For example, consider a reading aid for people with visual impairments that enables access to printed text. Apart from its main purpose, the same aid can be used by sighted users for other applications such as language learning or reading with eyes closed. In essence, the Assistive Augmentation as a field is concerned with the design, development and study of technology that substitute, recovers, empowers or augments physical, sensorial or cognitive capabilities, depending on specific user needs.





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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Towards the end of 2018, I was approached to be the new Editor-in-Chief for the *Multimodal Technologies and Interaction (MTI)* journal. I was honored to be considered and happily accepted the role, starting in January 2019.

MTI is a new journal, and since starting in 2017, has published over 800 papers, with the number of publications continuing to grow. As Editor-in-Chief, I would like to continue increasing the number of high-quality papers that we publish, and in addition, work towards improving the journal in other ways, such as getting the journal listed on ISI, establishing an impact factor, and increasing our social media presence.

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