News from Head of School

Computer Architecture Lectureship

The advert for a new lectureship in Computer Architecture is now out at:

http://www.manchester.ac.uk/aboutus/jobs/vacancies/academic/vacancy/?ref=93272

If you know any strong candidates, please bring the post to their attention.

Events

Online Query Processing and Data Analytics on Sensor Data with AnduIN

9 Feb 11

Prof Kai-Uwe Sattler. Technische Universitat Ilmenau
14:15, Kilburn 1.4.

Seminar page

Standing up for Science media workshop

11 Mar 11

Sense About Science will be holding a *Standing up for Science media workshop* at the *University of Manchester on Friday 11^th March*.

This full day event is free and for early career researchers in all sciences, engineering and medicine//(PhD students, post-docs or equivalent in first job).

During the workshop we combine discussion about science-related controversies in media reporting with practical guidance and tips for how to deal with the media.

These workshops are very popular and places are limited. To apply send a *CV and covering letter* explaining your reasons for applying and stating any affiliations you hold to Rose Wu.

Website

Closing date for applications is Monday 28th February.

Invitation for Participation to the SOC Summer School

27 Jun-3 July 11

This year, once more, the Summer School opens for graduate students and young professionals in the area of Service Oriented Computing (SummerSOC). It will take place in Crete, Greece, from June 27 to July 3, 2011.

More information

Prize and Award Opportunities

The British Machine Vision Association Sullivan Doctoral Thesis Prize Call for Nominations

1 Mar 11

The British Machine Vision Association has established a prize fund to commemorate the contribution made by the late Professor Geoff Sullivan to the advancement of the field of Computer Vision in the United Kingdom. The prize is considered for award, on an annual basis, to the best doctoral thesis submitted to a UK University, in the field of computer or natural vision.
The BMVA Executive Committee will seek nominations for the Sullivan Prize for theses submitted and examined during the calendar year 2010 in January 2011. Internal examiners and supervisors may act as nominators, but the committee would like to receive an accompanying report and endorsement of the nomination from the external examiner of the thesis.

The prize of £500 is considered for presentation annually for the best doctoral thesis. Deadline for nominations: 1st March 2011

**Royal Society Wolfson Research Merit Awards**

Jointly funded by the Wolfson Foundation and BIS, this scheme aims to provide universities with additional support to enable them to attract to this country, or retain, respected scientists of outstanding achievement and potential. Awards are made to the university and as such researchers must remain at the university named on the application.

The focus of the award is salary enhancement. Research expenses are also considered for research costs not suitable for Research Councils’ research grants applications and for overseas applicants to support integration into the UK research and funding environment.

**Eligibility:** Applicants can be of any nationality and must hold, or be guaranteed, a permanent post at a UK university. All applicants must have their basic salary wholly funded by the university.

**Length of tenure:** Five years funding after which the award holder continues with the permanent post at the host university.

**Place of tenure:** UK university. Please note that these awards are made to the host university and cannot be transferred to another university.

**Value:** Salary enhancements have been made usually in the range of £10K to £30K per annum.

**Website**

**Opening date:** 14 January 2011

**Closing date:** 10 March 2011

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**JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship Program**

The JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship Program for Foreign Researchers provides opportunities to young postdoctoral researchers from other countries to conduct, under the guidance of their hosts, cooperative research with leading research groups in universities and other Japanese institutions. The program aims to help such researchers advance their own research while contributing to the advancement of research in Japan and the counterpart countries. The Royal Society is a nominating authority for this scheme and aims to support excellent researchers from the UK gain experience overseas and create strong collaborative links with Japan.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must hold a doctorate degree when the Fellowship goes into effect, which must have been received within six years prior to 2 April 2011 (i.e. awarded on or after 2 April 2005). Scientists in the final year of their PhD
can submit an application. If successful, the award will only be given subject to the confirmation of his/her PhD at the time when the award is taken up. Applicants must be UK or EU citizens resident in the UK at the time of application.

**Length of tenure:** Between 12 months minimum and up to 24 months maximum.

**Place of tenure:** Japan

**Value:** Subsistence - 362,000 yen per month. A settling-in allowance at the start of the Fellowship of 200,000 yen. A return air ticket (based on JSPS regulations). Overseas travel accident and sickness insurance coverage. Availability to apply for a research grant of up to 1,500,000 yen per year.

[Website](#)

**Opening date:** 25 January 2011

**Closing date:** 01 March 2011